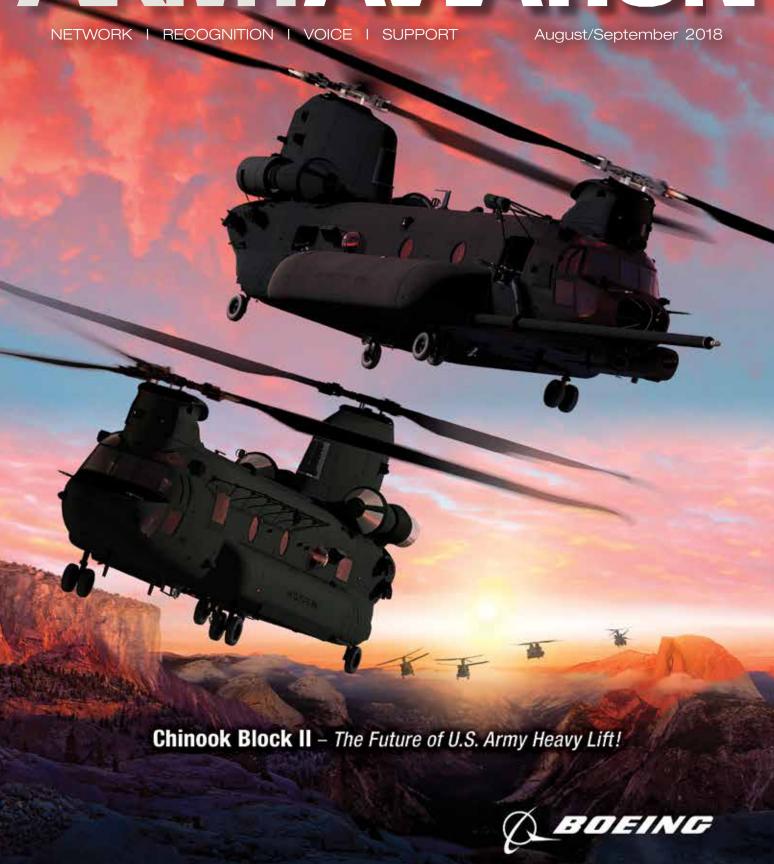
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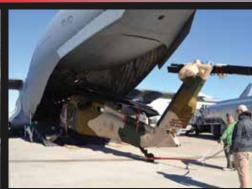
















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Murray Promoted and **Activates AFC**



GEN John M. Murray (left) executes the commissioned officer oath of office during his promotion ceremony held at the newly established headquarters location for Army Futures Command in Austin, TX, Aug. 24, 2018. U.S. Army Chief of Staff GEN Mark A. Milley administered the oath and promoted Murray to the rank of four-star general on the same day as Army Futures Command's activation ceremony.

Shipley Honored With Third Presidential Rank Award

Mr. John Shipley, a member of the senior executive service and director of the Aviation and Missile Command's Special Programs (Aviation) and executive director of the command's Aviation Integration Directorate, has



received his third selection for the Meritorious Executive Presidential Rank Award. He is responsible for the development, acquisition, modernization, fielding and sustainment of the Army's Special Operations Forces fleet of uniquely configured aviation vehicles. He also serves as the airworthiness release authority of the Army's Special Operations Forces aviation assets, and is a member of the General Officer Steering Committee for all Army aviation. Shipley has served as director of AM-COM Special Operations since 1991.

AMCOM Welcomes Dove



During a change of responsibility ceremony on July 3, the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command honored outgoing CSM Michael O'Donnell (right), and welcomed its eighth

command sergeant major, CSM George "Mike" Dove shown here receiving the colors from MG Doug Gabram, AMCOM commander.

Freeman First Black Female Pilot in the Alabama National Guard

2LT Kayla Freeman of Huntsville, AL graduated flight school at the U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence, Ft.

Rucker, AL on June 21st making history as the first black female pilot in the Alabama National Guard. The 2016 graduate from Tuskegee University's Reserve Officers' Training Corps is currently at Ft. Hood, TX, where she is preparing to deploy to the Middle East as a platoon leader in the Alabama National Guard's 1-169th Aviation Battalion.

"Good Morning, Vietnam" D.J. Dies at 79



Adrian Cronauer, a legend of the Vietnam War, and the inspiration for the 1987 movie "Good Morning, Vietnam," died July 18 following a long illness. An Air Force sergeant during his service in Vietnam as a disc jockey with the Armed Forces Radio Service, Cronauer began his early morning show, "Dawnbuster," with the iconic words "Goooood morning. Vietnam!" The 1987 movie, starring Robin Williams, turned that line into a national catch-phrase years after the war ended.

AAFES Makes It Easier for Army Guard and Reserve to Get Uniforms

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) has set up a temporary arrangement to allow all Guard and Reserve members to buy the Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) online at ShopMyExchange.com. Until now, Army Guard and Reserve personnel could only buy uniforms at brick-and-mortar military clothing stores, and there are restrictions on who can buy them and when. With this temporary exception, all Army Guard and Reserve members can buy uniforms at ShopMyExchange.com, regardless of rank or active-duty status. The Army is in transition to the OCP uniform, with all soldiers required to have them by October 2019.



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President's Cockpit

Taking Care of Soldiers Through Recognition

This combined August -September issue of ARMY AVIATION Magazine always reminds me of the amazing breadth, depth and scope of the Army Aviation Enterprise.



The numerous pages of photos and listings of our Army Aviation leadership teams, officer, warrant officer and enlisted alike make it all so real when we look at the successes, the moves, the retirements and the recognition of so many of our members from the Army Aviation Family.

We are all about people, and our Branch is well represented by the outstanding women and men in this year-around desk reference. From acquisition and sustainment to training and warfighting and all components, you are all well represented in here somehow. Thank you for all you do every day for our Branch, for the Army and for the Country.

Our foundation and focus is based on the four pillars of AAAA; Networking, Recognition, Voice and Support. These four pillars actualize our AAAA mission statement, "Supporting the U.S. Army Aviation Soldier and Family." I want to talk a bit about the men and women in our formations and specifically about the "Recognition" pillar.

AAAA sponsors over 35 National awards ranging from our Annual Summit level, like the Soldier of the Year and Unit of the Year, to specific mission area awards like Flight Medic and Air Traffic Controller of the Year. The Recognition that these awards provide to our very best is a key part of leadership. It is the recognition of those in our ranks who have gone the extra step in excellence. Recognition of those in our ranks encourages others to go

the extra step and it is the responsibility of leadership throughout the Aviation Enterprise, to include our industry partners, to take the time to let the community know who the best of the best are. I could have told you about what you have told us in our surveys that recognition is one of the most important aspects of why you belong to the AAAA but this is about leaders taking care of those in their charge. That said, there is a process to arriving at the voting of these files by the AAAA Awards Board.

The process begins with a nomination packet. Over the last few years, we at the national office have seen a steady decline in the number of nomination packets for each award. The awards board does not have a magic vision device to see into your formations and automatically determine who is going above and beyond and deserves an award. As leaders and peers you MUST take the time to recognize your brother and sister Soldiers.

I have been told how the 160th SOAR always wins and my response is simple – "you have to compete to win." The 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) does an outstanding and consistent job in preparing and submitting nomination packets. There is literally not a single national award for which the Night Stalkers do not generate at least one packet and in some cases multiple packets. The simple fact is statistics say that your odds increase with the number of quality nominations. The 160th SOAR is a great unit but so are the rest of you!

Recently, I had to extend a deadline for a couple awards because there were so few nominations. Thankfully a good number of additional nominations did come in as a result. But I have to say it is a bit discouraging that we as leaders are not taking the time to take care of their people through this recognition opportunity.

I get out to our chapters. I see the outstanding Soldiers in your units. And I hear the amazing stories of their accomplishments when I visit you. Why am I not seeing them nominated when it comes to awards time?

Yes, it takes some time and effort but again, we are all about people. We can all do better. Please look ahead now to the eleven national awards to be presented at the April 2019 Summit in Nashville. The nomination forms are on the website homepage (www.quad-a. org), under the Awards tab. Surely we all know of a USAR unit, a crew chief, an enlisted soldier, an NCO, etc. who should be recognized. Let's all resolve to see someone we know nominated for each of these awards. AAAA national headquarters and your national executive board stand ready to assist in this effort.

We are a family but sometimes we need to make an effort to show how much we actually care.

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Director of Army Aviation Update

Editor's Note: For this issue, the branch chief, MG William K. Gayler, has coordinated having the director of Army Aviation, BG David J. Francis, and his directorate standardization officer provide the lead, "To the Field," command group articles.

Information, Context and Speed

By BG David J. Francis

more lethal, resilient, and rapidly innovating Joint Force, combined with a robust constellation of allies and partners, will sustain American influence and ensure favorable balances of power that safeguard the free and open international order.

2018 National Defense Strategy



Soldiers assigned to Nemesis Troop, 4th Squadron, 2d Cavalry Regiment board CH-47 Chinooks during a joint operation with a rotational combat aviation brigade unit at the Hohenfels Training Area, Germany, July 12, 2018.

Army Aviation is the largest, most well trained force of its kind that provides an asymmetric capability to the Joint Force at a scale that no adversary can match. The leaders and Soldiers of our branch continue to demonstrate that capability to commanders on the ground around the world every day. They accomplished this while engaged in continuous combat for the last 17 years, simultaneously executing the largest transformation in recent history, and while modernizing the fleet across all components (COMPOs). While 83% committed, we continue to build

readiness for Large Scale Combat Operations, and the synchronization of our deployment, fielding strategy, and modernization is critical to achieving the lethality required of future warfare.

As a part of the Aviation Enterprise representing the Army G-3/5/7, DAMO-AV supports the vision of the branch chief by providing information, context and speed to senior leadership across the Army Staff, Department of Defense, the interagency community, Congress, industry, and the media. DA-MO-AV coordinates across all facets and COMPOs of the aviation commu-

nity, to include the Army's major commands, service component commands, direct reporting units, and headquarters' staff sections to synchronize the continuous demands on our branch. Speed is of utmost importance; negotiations are influenced and decisions are made at a swift pace across our nation's senior leadership. Whether on the Hill defending Army aviation decisions, answering audit requests, engaging senior military leadership or publishing execution orders that affect change throughout the Army and our branch, DAMO-AV is routinely called upon to provide infor-



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mation, context, and speed on behalf of the G-3/5/7 and aviation enterprise.

As a key maneuver element of the Joint Force, the demand signal for Army Aviation is as strong as ever, even as we develop the military of

continue to increase the lethality of the force and steward the resources provided by the American people. The ability of our organization to synchronize these efforts for our branch, communicate a succinct path

requires continual communication and detailed coordination with all entities of the aviation branch. Two venues where DAMO-AV facilitates synchronization across the branch are the Aviation Enterprise Synchronization Model (AESM) and the Quarterly Aviation Synchronization Meeting (QASM). The AESM was designed to accommodate the flow of information and establish an executive committee to facilitate major decisions affecting our branch. QASM brings together representatives from across the AESM and force providers, to discuss and synchronize efforts across the branch, with focus on modernization efforts, fielding plans, force structure, operational plans, unit readiness, and general aviation issues/ topics as necessary, and nominates topics and solutions for the general officer approval. Both the AESM and QASM enable HQDA to draw from expertise around the branch, develop effective plans, and gain general officer approval on critical decisions, and

this synchronization is of paramount

importance as we modernize the

fleet for the future. Integrating our teammates on the Future Vertical Lift

(FVL) Cross Functional Team (CFT) into the broader aviation enterprise will

ensure that the branch speaks with one voice as we lay the foundation for the

next generation of aviation systems.

Our synchronization through these and

other venues is essential to enabling the

information, context, and speed that we

transmit up and outward.

The new DAMO-AV team is up and running after the summer transition, and we are fortunate to welcome a number of new members to the team – COL Phil Ryan as the Deputy, COL Whitney Gardner as the chief of Force Analysis and CW5 Jon Koziol as the Chief of Standardization. We remain at the service of the branch and the Army, and look forward to working with our Aviation teammates on the challenges ahead to continue to provide our ground force commanders the very best Aviation force in the world!

Above The Best!



the future and our concepts of joint warfare. Regardless of the increased commitment – readiness, personnel, policy, modernization and leader development challenges continue to be focal points for our Army as we

forward to senior leadership, and act decisively, will ensure the most coherent plans, policies, and utilization of our resources across the enterprise.

DAMO-AV conveys Aviation equities to multiple audiences, which

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DAMO-AV Standardization Officer Update

Sharing the Crowded Skies:

The Integration & Synchronization of Manned and Unmanned Army Aircraft By CW5 Jonathan P. Koziol



Viper 6 is an Air Mission Commander for his company of AH-64E Apache helicopters, which are 30 seconds from crossing the forward line of troops (FLOT), executing a deliberate attack on an enemy armor formation.

Soldiers assigned to Delta Company, 25th Aviation Regiment, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, prepare an MQ-1C Gray Eagle unmanned aerial system for its first flight from Schofield Barracks, July 6. The Gray Eagle conducted an orientation flight in support of the U.S. Army's Multi Domain Task Force Pilot Program (MDTF-PP) as the unit supports the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise.

They have transitioned to tree top level when flight lead, Viper 11, has just reported severe vibrations in his pedals and believes something has struck the tail rotor. Unbeknownst to the company, a friendly unmanned system has hit Viper 11. This split second encounter has just created numerous issues for Viper 6 and the rest of the flight. The flight must continue due to the timed jamming and suppression of enemy air defense. Can they still accomplish the mission? Viper 11 will have to land

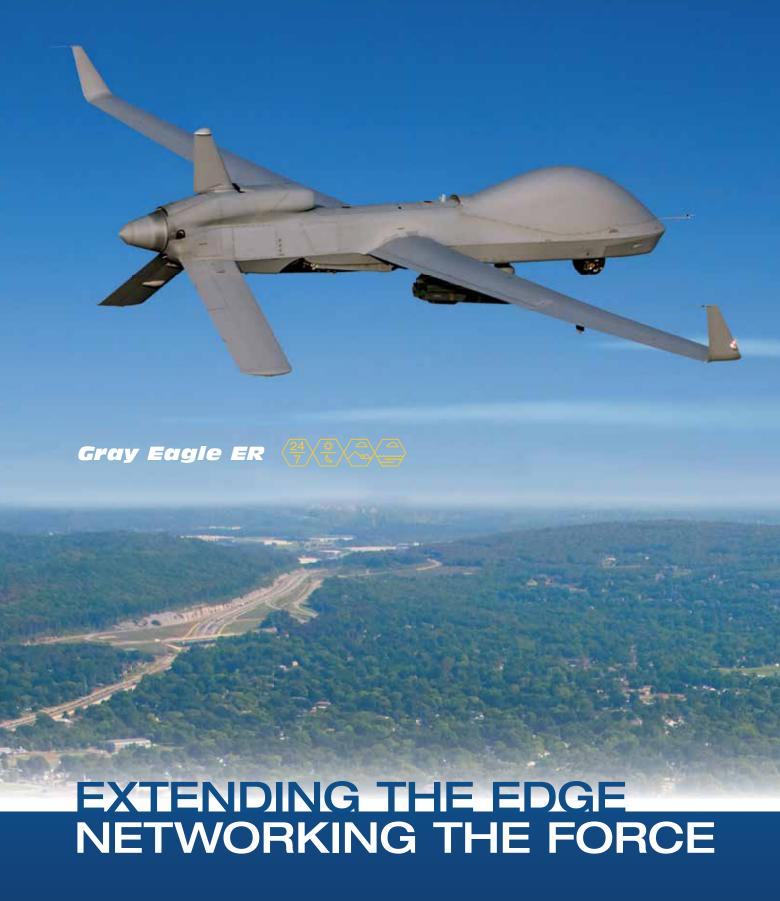
the aircraft. Are they close enough to friendly troops? What can we do in our training and policy management to prevent this between our systems?

The answer to that last question begins at Headquarters, Department of the Army Management Office – Aviation (DAMO-AV). The team of Army aviation experts within DAMO-AV exists to identify issues affecting the branch, work within the enterprise to develop solutions, and advise senior military leadership and elected officials

on the path forward. One of my roles as the DAMO-AV Standardization Officer is the management and revision of Army Regulation (AR) 95-1 Flight Regulations. This document stands as the cornerstone to the synchronization of policy and procedures across both the manned and unmanned domains.

Proliferation of UAS

Military unmanned aerial systems (UAS) have grown in quantity, capability, and complexity from the



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original RQ-5 Hunter to the multiple programs of record we have today. UAS provides maneuver units an incredible capability to see through the 'fog' of war and gain increased clarification on enemy disposition and the pace of operations. Within the services, there is a push to get this capability down to the lowest level possible, which has led to the creation of the Soldier Borne Sensor (SBS). These systems are hand held, lightweight, operated at the squad level, and restricted to an altitude of 100ft above ground level (AGL). With the proliferation of systems such as SBS, there exists an increased need to share airspace between both manned and unmanned systems.

Army aviation must prepare for decisive action, against a near peer threat. This training focus has caused Army aviators to assess rotary wing employment techniques and return to training at lower altitudes to increase survivability against surface to air threats. Congested airspace at this level is inevitable with both mission planning and coordination being paramount for successful mission execution.

Within recent years, North America has witnessed the proliferation of civilian UAS operating at these same low altitudes within national airspace. Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) part 107, states that civilian unmanned aircraft weighing as much as 55 pounds can operate up to 400 ft. AGL in uncontrolled airspace. For the most part, they should not affect our operations in uncontrolled airspace since we remain above 500 ft. AGL, but operators of these systems can also request waivers to those restrictions. Whether flying on a military installation, or off the reservation in uncontrolled airspace, we must be cognizant of the potential for increased hazards and mitigate these risks to the best of our ability.

UAS Under IFR

Another convergent point between manned and unmanned aviation exists within controlled airspace, under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) conditions. The MQ-1C Gray Eagle UAS community has been consistently incorporating IFR flight into training and execution. Training teams at Fort Huachuca, Arizona have developed courses directed at training our 15W UAS operators to be IFR qualified. This effort was key in proving the

unmanned IFR concept, which resulted in a Memorandum of Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, authorizing the Gray Eagle to transition from restricted airspace into Class A airspace, and back, without requiring a manned chase aircraft. These processes are the groundwork for future UAS operations in the national airspace, and are paramount to increasing Gray Eagle training opportunities. With the IFR qualification of our UAS operators comes the need to train instructor operators (IO) to evaluate the instrument tasks. Until we get the majority of the IOs qualified, we will more than likely see rotary or fixed wing instrument evaluators being required to evaluate these tasks. We anticipate that civilian entities will be looking to operate in a similar fashion as the use of UAS increases across industry and law enforcement.

The Army Aviation enterprise still has a lot of uncharted territory concerning the integration of future manned and unmanned systems. The Army continues to procure improved systems of various sizes and capabilities. Advancements in endurance, speed, optics, size, and munitions will drive changes in management, standardization and training requirements while still giving the commander in the field the greatest flexibility to operate these systems. For these reasons, it is important that the latest version of AR 95-1 has incorporated AR 95-23 and is the one source document for all Army aviation systems to ensure we have proper procedures in place to share the airspace effectively. In my role as the Aviation Standardization Officer for HQDA, I look to identify the friction points early, and deliberately incorporate changes into this living document to enable the most realistic and safe flight possible for our aviators across the force.

Thank you for all you do in defense of our nation and to support the Soldier on the ground. Above the Best!

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Command Sergeant Major of the Branch Update

The Platoon Sergeant (Leader)

By CSM Brian N. Hauke



DLUF [bottom line up front] – Our platoon sergeants must get back out on the flight line and hangar floors, becoming the professional maintenance experts again by getting their hands greasy while teaching aviation maintenance, and coaching and mentoring our aviation Soldiers.

How Did We Get Here?

For this issue, I've decided to share some of my thoughts with our platoon sergeants, both the sergeants first class and the staff sergeants who are stepping up. Army Aviation maintenance is a primary focus of the aviation commander, as it drives the availability of operational aircraft that can be used in support of the ground maneuver commander's operational requirements (FM 3-04). Would it not stand to reason, as platoon sergeants within our branch that aviation maintenance should also be a primary focus of yours as well? At this point, I don't know if this is in fact the case with our

platoon sergeants today. Ask yourselves, "Is aircraft maintenance your number one priority?" If not, why? Now before you answer that question, I want to acknowledge a couple of things. First, the operational environment is vastly different than what I had to contend with as a platoon sergeant from 2000 - 2004. What I mean by this, in some cases, you are required to do more than I ever had to do when I was at your level. This isn't to say I wasn't busy, just that I may have not had some of the additional distractors; email, SSD, college, etc. Platoon sergeants today are grappling with a multitude of tasks, including mainte-

U.S. Soldiers assigned to Task Force Viper 1st Battalion, 3rd Aviation Regiment, 12th Combat Aviation Brigade conduct maintenance on an AH-64 Apache helicopter during Saber Strike 18 at Bemowo Piskie Training Area in Orzysz, Poland, June 14, 2018.

nance, as you de-conflict and prioritize a day's worth of requirements. Secondly, as leaders, we may have not done you any favors since 9/11. Many, if not all, have joined our Army following 9/11, and subsequently have not been taught how to manage aviation maintenance. The counterinsurgency (COIN) operating environment, force manning levels (FML) constraints and the "launch/recover/launch" requirement placed upon our units, subsequently, forced an over reliance on contract maintenance. Additionally, the Army Force Generation (ARFORGEN) cycle was also a detriment to our maintainers. It created a gap in maintenance management proficiency because the focus was on preparing for the next deployment, versus focusing on

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Army Aviation DUSTOFF Flight Medic of the Year, 2015 Sponsored by Air Methods Corporation

SGT Vitaly A. Tsaregorodtsev

Company C, 6th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment Task Force Shadow

GT Vitaly A. Tsaregorodtsev serves as a Critical Care Flight Paramedic in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. He participated in all of the major events executed by his unit transporting and providing medical care to 35 critically injured patients on 54 separate medical evacuation missions (MEDEVAC), with over 140 combat flight hours, between March and August 2015. He excels at his duties providing appropriate medical treatment to many U.S. and coalition service members. His most notable

achievement was on 7 August 2015, when he transported and expertly treated 6 critically injured patients in a high profile mass casualty in Northern Kabul. His timely and appropriate emergency medical treatment ensured the patients' survival and eased long term care for them. Although all MEDEVAC crews flew patients that night, SGT Tsaregorodtsev provided care for the most. He took control of the situation and guided his crew chief who was helping him treating casualties. His professionalism, dedication and willingness to do whatever necessary to preserve life serve as a heroic example of the ongoing Dedicated Unhesitating Service To Our Fighting Forces (DUSTOFF) legacy.

aircraft maintenance. The Reset, Train/Ready, and Available cycle prepared us to deploy, but did very little for us in the development of our core competencies.

Additionally, in many instances, the individual may have incurred a permanent change of station during the process, further exacerbating the dilemma. Now they are entering a new organization at a different point in the ARFOR-GEN cycle. At this point, the branch leaned heavily on our Warrant Officer Corps, specifically the maintenance test pilots, to fill the gap. By the way, they also had professional military education (PME) and a multitude of other requirements to get accomplished over the course of a "year" at home station. I believe this was in fact the turning point when we lost our professional maintenance expertise at the senior NCO level. As an example, I challenge you to attend a production control (PC) meeting. What level of NCO is present, representing their section, platoon, or company? In most cases, there will be a sergeant there to talk status, and if not the sergeant then our MTPs are there covering down; but no platoon sergeants.

The Way Ahead

As stated in the BLUF, our branch must have platoon sergeants engaged

in every aspect of aviation maintenance. From the morning PC meeting, scheduling aircraft (tail numbers) for flights, the scheduled maintenance, the unscheduled maintenance and everything in between. The buck should stop with each of you... the platoon sergeant. From platoon sergeant up to and including my current position, I have always considered myself the senior enlisted maintainer at echelon; even though I may not be the most current maintainer in our branch when it comes to turning wrenches. It should be personally and extremely satisfying, and even motivating to subordinates, when their platoon sergeant leads from the front. Do the Branch, your Soldiers, and most importantly yourself a favor. Push away from the desk, the computer and get back out on the flight line. If our branch is going to continue to have the premier aviation maintainers in world, institutional training will only go so far... down at the unit is where the life-long learning happens and it is the platoon sergeant who gets after this technical training.

Aviation maintenance may not be the most important thing a Soldier does to-day.... It is however the most important thing we do every day in our Branch!

Finally, with last month's release of the Department of the Army

Sergeant First Class list, I would like to congratulate the 350 Aviation staff sergeants selected for promotion. [Editor's Note: see list on page 133 of this issue] Your selection is evidence of your outstanding performance and commitment to being a true professional within our Noncommissioned Officer Corps. This selection also demonstrates the trust and confidence our Army has in your potential for continued service as we build a professional Army Aviation Branch of the future. All of you can be justifiably proud of this huge accomplishment in your career.

Again, my congratulations, and best wishes to all selected for promotion! I welcome all of you to the ranks of the senior noncommissioned officer, and look forward to seeing you out front in the future! Thank you to all our leaders across our branch who are out there every day "rowing hard" for Army Aviation.

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Combat Readiness Center Update

Closing Out Summer Safely

By COL Christopher W. Waters

Summer represents increased risks to our Soldiers both on and off duty as a result of more intensive training, higher recreational activity, and the turmoil of the PCS season. Every year at this time, we see an increase in fatalities from preventable mishaps.

Additionally, while our Army has made tremendous strides over the last 10 years reducing mishaps and fatalities through Soldier discipline and leader diligence, our numbers over the last 18 months show a reversal of that positive trend. I urge all of you to step up your risk management efforts throughout the rest of the summer.

At the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center, we conduct and review fatal mishap investigations and there is a common thread in most of them. Accidents occur when we fail to execute tasks to standard. For most every task, we have well-defined procedures and standards designed for the conditions in which we expect to operate. Failing to execute to standard makes even the most benign task more dangerous.

This is especially true in Army motor vehicle operations, where more than half of our on duty fatalities occur. (Note: A combat aviation brigade has more vehicle rolling stock than a brigade combat team). A recent fatal mishap at the National Training Center saw a Soldier crushed between a vehicle and a trailer while preparing to move; the Soldiers did not execute basic standards,



A U.S. Army National Guard Soldier provides safety and guidance at the Rail Operations Center at Fort Hood, Texas, as the equipment of the 449th Combat Aviation Brigade is loaded on the ramp Oct. 11, 2017.

no leaders were present, and the vehicle chocks and technical manuals were unopened in the trailer BII storage box.

There are fundamental reasons why we fail to follow standards – inexperienced Soldiers don't execute to standard, Soldiers are not trained to standard, leaders don't enforce the standard, or we fail to execute proper risk management. I challenge each and every one of you to emphasize the following:

Standards and discipline. Train to standard. Enforce the standard. When Soldiers train and execute to standard they are less likely to fall prey to hazards and risks. Don't let Soldiers execute a task for which they are not trained. Leaders must know the standards, and they must be present and actively supervising at the point of execution. Assign your most experienced Soldiers to the highest-risk operations, implement mitigation controls, and place leaders at the point of execution.

Motor Vehicle Operations. This is

the single-highest payoff focus area for leaders and Soldiers to prevent loss. Learn and implement the recently revised Army Regulation 600-55, The Army Driver and Operator Standardization Program; select and empower your Master Drivers; and emphasize your driver licensing and training programs. Demand use of the operator's manual and operating procedures for all motor vehicle operations.

The summer also represents the highest risk period for our Soldiers and families during off-duty activities, which account for an overwhelming majority of our total fatalities. Over the last five years, we've lost an average of 33 Soldiers in July, August and September to off-duty accidents. That is nearly a flight company's worth of readiness lost, often senselessly due to poor judgment and a wholesale absence of proactive risk management. A majority of all off-duty fatalities are a result of private motor vehicle mishaps, both four-wheeled ve-

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A Quick Note on Aviation Operations

We have suffered seven Class A mishaps thus far in FY18. Of those, three occurred after landing during ground taxi operations where we literally drove the aircraft into fixed structures. All three instances share common causal factors: complacency, poor crew coordination, and failure to execute published procedures or tasks to standard. If you have not yet received the USACRC's "close-call" vignette based training, which highlights these and many other "near-miss" lessons learned, please contact MAJ Travis Easterling at travis.j.easterling.mil@mail.mil or DSN 312-558-2932. We will send a team to you to execute the training.

hicle and motorcycle accidents. (Note: Motorcycles are a disproportionate killer of our Soldiers: Leaders must know and mentor our motorcycle riders, and riders must adhere to the skills, judgment and behavior taught at our motorcycle safety courses). Just like on duty, motor vehicle operations off duty are the best point of emphasis to prevent loss. I cannot overstate the importance of risk management while driving or planning to drive.

This year, we have also lost Soldiers to drowning while kayaking, privately owned weapons discharges, pedestrian vehicle collisions, pedestrian with train collisions (three total), weightlifting, snowboarding, and a household fire. As you would expect, many of these involved alcohol. Moreover, we have well surpassed off-duty fatalities to date compared to FY17. We must help our fellow Soldiers recognize and avoid the hazards that lead to these tragedies and instill a risk management mindset at all times, both on and off duty.

Consider the following:

Manage off-duty activities the way we manage on-duty risks. Inculcate risk management into everything you do. Every operation, every mission,

every day, every activity – identify, assess and mitigate the hazards and risks you expect to encounter in that endeavor. This will create a culture of risk awareness and risk management that preserves readiness.

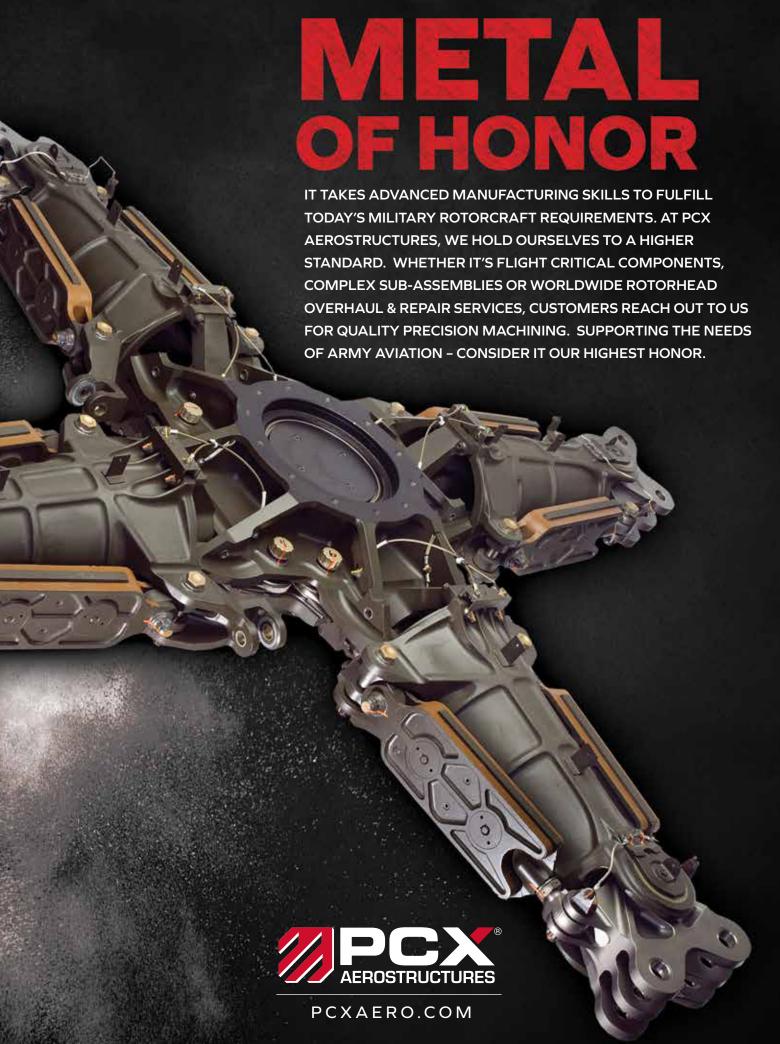
Leaders must focus on junior leaders. While we all assume it's our youngest Soldiers who are at highest risk when off duty, the fact is that so far this year, more than 55 percent of our private motor vehicle fatalities have been sergeants and above. The leaders we expect to enforce standards across our formations are not doing so in their own off-duty activities. Mentor them and ensure they are setting the right example.

Check out the Off-Duty Safety Awareness Presentation on the US-ACRC website, https://safety.army.mil/OFF-DUTY/Home-and-Family/Off-Duty-Safety-Awareness-Presentation-2018. It is a comprehensive tool to help leaders and Soldiers think through and manage off-duty hazards.

Thank you in advance for your efforts. Readiness Through Safety!

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Reserve Components Aviation Update

Over the Horizon...In Army National Guard Aviation

By LTG Timothy J. Kadavy

s the Director of the Army National Guard (ARNG) and part of the formal line of communication between the Army, 54 States, Territories and District of Columbia it is my responsibility to ensure that accurate information is passed between the Department of the Army and the field.

Our relationship with the Army is strong and transparent – we are a Total Army in all ways. I have seen this through commitment and action, day-in and day-out. That includes Army Aviation

Inherent to success is moving forward in a way that builds trust through effective communication of the unique capabilities and challenges we, the ARNG, bring to the table. Our unique capabilities and challenges are always articulated and considered before decisions are made, not after. While this is not always obvious to those in the field, I assure you the National Guard has a strong voice and the Department of the Army is listening.

Army Guard Aviation, as part of the Total Army Force, is focused on moving toward a more modernized force and operationally necessary role in meeting the challenges of today and the future. Critical to this progress and achieving balance is speaking with one voice. Guard Bureau must demonstrate to the States a commitment to represent them in all Aviation efforts. Collaboration is essential. Decisions will be made that we do not fully agree with, but you have to trust that we are always invited to and decisively engaged in the Army's decision making process. Our role is to provide the ARNG Aviation perspective. The Army, I believe, recognizes that ARNG Aviation, both well-balanced and modernized, can better fulfill our nation's needs in peacetime and war.

ARNG Aviation is well known for its effort in the warfight and here at home. Our operational utilization over the past 15 years has cemented our relevance to the Total Army Aviation Force. This is evident by ARNG Aviation providing 47% of the aircraft and 55% of the personnel in the U.S. Central Command's area of operations. Concurrently, in late 2017 we moved and cross leveled aviation capabilities across the country to support hurricane operations in Texas, Florida, Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico and to fight wildfires in the Northwest. Today, we are supporting Customs and Border Protection efforts with UH-72A equipped aviation battalions on the Southwest



LTG Kadavy, Director of the Army National Guard, presenting at the AAAA Summit in April.

Border. This type of effort is just not achievable without the full support of the Army and its leadership.

On the modernization horizon for Aviation is the CH-47F Block II and AH-64E aircraft fielding. Once again, we are involved in and actively participating in the development of these fielding plans. Army leadership is committed to applying a balanced Total Army approach to these pending fielding decisions. We will continue to advocate, with a positive, forward thinking voice, for a more balanced Aviation force which is in the best interest of the Total Army.

The Army (Active, Guard and Reserve) takes Aviation maintenance and safety very seriously. Each of us, as part of the Total Army, must commit to meeting Army standards for the good of the whole. Aviation maintenance and safety have our full attention!

The ARNG, with unique capabilities and capacity, has systemically fortified its standing as an operationally necessary part of the Total Army – which the Army is dependent on, today and in the future. Concurrently, Army National Guard Aviation has been modernized to an all-time high. I am the ARNG's day-to-day voice within the Department of the Army and make every effort to be informed by the "State's perspective" before providing my best military advice that serves both ARNG's interests and the Army as a whole.

I ask that we all commit to it as an Army National Guard. As an Army – the American people expect and deserve nothing less!

Citizen Soldiers - at the Ready!

LTG Timothy J. Kadavy is the 22nd director of the Army National Guard.





128th Aviation Brigade Update

This issue I have asked SSG Ronald Smith from the USAACE NCO Academy at Fort Eustis to provide insight into the Advanced Leaders Course that is taught here for all rotary wing aviation maintainers. Above the Best! COL Zampelli, Commander

A Fresh Look at How Army Aviation Grows the Force Through Continued Education By SSG Ronald A. Smith

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Academy-Eustis (NCOA-E) Advanced
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Although sergeants are experts within their fields, they are challenged both academically and physically throughout ALC.

The Course

The first phase of Aviation Maintenance ALC is Common Aviation Maintenance (CAM). During CAM, NCOs develop familiarity with technical manuals common to the Aviation field like DA PAM 738-751, TM 1-1500-328-23, and TC 3-04.7. Refining technical manual research skills is critical to an NCO's success as a technical inspector in an operational aviation unit. Research abilities are tested through a series of examinations.

Upon successful completion of CAM, ALC students report to the technical "Track" phase where they receive military occupational specialty (MOS)-specific training deemed critical for their MOS skill level. Due to varying MOS-specific "critical tasks," the length of each technical track varies. While in Track, students are evaluated using written examinations and hands-on evaluations on their assigned aircraft or MOS-specific field. The Track phase encompasses a challenging academic structure to increase a Sergeant's ability to perform his or her job as a subject matter expert while performing duties as a quality control technical inspector, a platoon level production control NCO, or a maintenance/shop squad leader.

Credentialing

While at ALC, many NCOs capitalize on the opportunity to obtain their Airframe and Powerplant (A&P) License. The A&P licensing process consists of three phases: written, oral, and practical (hands-on). Three topics are tested in all phases: General Aviation, Airframe, and Powerplant. The Fort Eustis Education Center and 128th Aviation Brigade both provide proctors for the written examinations at no cost to service members, easily saving service members about \$300. The oral and practical examinations with FAA Designated Maintenance Examiners (DME) are the only out-of-pocket cost. Even so, that cost is reimbursable through the Army A&P



USAACE NCOA ALC Students conduct peer to peer leadership training.

Program based out of 128th Aviation Brigade. The process of A&P certification is challenging but certainly achievable during an NCO's attendance at ALC.

Skill Level Three

The sustained demand for Aviation Branch Skill Level Three NCOs across the operational force often results in manning shortages either in unit maintenance or quality control sections. To address this challenge, airframe specific MOSs (15T, 15U, 15R) receive an all-inclusive technical proficiency block of instruction in ALC that includes, but is not limited to: maintaining turbine engines (T700-GE-701D and T55-GA-714), swedging hydraulic lines, removing, installing, and inspecting rivets, and other equally critical back shop maintenance practices. The NCOA-E is making a much needed update to the way it educates students by arming all Skill Level Three Aviation Maintenance NCOs with the knowledge and skills required to fulfill responsibilities once only able to be assumed by specific MOSs. This effort broadens training and incorporates real world experiences by utilizing the Experiential Learning Model to provide current, relevant, and realistic training during ALC that directly addresses operational force requirements. Furthermore, the course will be designed to closely mirror the design of the FAA A&P Credentialing process. Through the Army's Credentialing Opportunities On-Line, this initiative further streamlines the process to obtain an FAA A&P License, inherently preparing Army Aviation maintenance leaders for job opportunities long after they complete their federal service obligations.

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Tech Talk

That's Going To Leave A Mark – Post Lightning Strike Inspection By Mr. Travis Massa

The National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Severe Storms Laboratory estimates that there are 16 million thunderstorms worldwide each year with 2,000 thunderstorms in progress at any given moment and 100,000 thunderstorms each year in the United States alone.

In the contiguous 48 states, an average of 20 million cloud-to-ground lightning flashes have been detected every year since the lightning detection network covered all of the continental US in 1989. With Army aviation units operating across the globe, the chances of encountering lightning are fairly high. Obviously flights into or around thunderstorms are often avoided by proper mission planning but aircraft parked out on the flight line cannot as easily avoid the storm.

So what happens when a parked aircraft gets hit by lightning? The short answer: it depends on the lightning intensity and path through the aircraft. A high intensity strike will likely result in major damage that is clearly visible while a low intensity strike may only produce minor or seemingly cosmetic damage that might even go unnoticed by aircrews or maintenance personnel. Fortunately, aircraft maintenance technical manuals (TMs) provide conditional inspections following a known or suspected lightning strike to the aircraft. The TM inspections typically start with visual inspections for obvious damage such as arcing, pitting, burns, erosion or other observable damage. Visual inspections are followed by more in depth inspections, repair or replacement of affected parts and operational checks to verify functionality of critical systems like avionics and flight controls.

While TM inspections provide a good baseline, the inspections mostly rely on the fact that the lightning strike has left some kind of mark or visible damage along its path that will help the crew or maintenance personnel identify suspect parts. When the lightning path is unknown, the use of a magnetic field indicator also known as a gauss meter or magnetometer can help track the path through the aircraft. What is a magnetometer? In the simplest terms, it is an instrument that measures magnetic field strength. A common unit of measure for magnetic field strength is the gauss; hence the term gauss meter. When the large current of the lightning flows through ferromagnetic materials in the aircraft (bolts, pins, bearings, et al.) those parts become magnetized. This residual magnetism can be detected by a magnetometer by simply placing the magnetometer in very close proximity to



H-60M tail rotor blade with lightning strike damage



Magnetic field indicator showing abnormally high magnetism on tail rotor drive shaft of H-60M which had confirmed lightning strike

the ferrous part and monitoring the readings. A reading of 2 gauss or less can be considered normal. A part that was magnetized by lightning will typically measure 8 gauss or more. Gauss measurements in the 3 to 7 range can be subjective as to the cause but it is common for rotating parts to build up a residual magnetism of this magnitude that is not associated with lightning. By moving from ferrous part to ferrous part, you can trace the lightning's path to ground through the aircraft which may branch off along multiple routes. Knowing where the lightning went can assist in identifying areas or parts that may require further inspection and which components may require replacement because they cannot be thoroughly inspected at your maintenance level.

This post lightning strike tracing technique was validated this past year on an H-60M Black Hawk that had damage on a tail rotor blade from an unknown source. The unit contacted their AMCOM Logistics Assistance Representative (LAR) and AED Liaison Engineer who used a magnetic field indicator to trace the suspected lightning strike through the aircraft. Based on the residual magnetism, the lightning entered the tail rotor blade and eventually exited through the main and tail landing gear tie downs. These findings led the unit to further inspect the aircraft resulting in the discovery of additional damage. A subsequent review of flight line security camera footage revealed that the lightning entered and exited the aircraft as determined by the magnetometer readings which further validated this technique.

Lastly, this technique of tracing the lightning path should only be used as a supplement and should never be used to supersede established TM inspections or requirements. If in doubt about the results of the TM post lightning inspection or the lightning path, contact your local AMCOM LAR for additional guidance.

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Ask the Flight Surgeon

Vasectomy

By CPT Jessica Warneke, D.O.

My wife and I have been talking and we feel the size of our family is perfect. We discussed our options and we agreed I should get a vasectomy. What can I expect from the procedure?

FS: A vasectomy is minor surgery to block sperm from being released during sexual intercourse. After a vasectomy, the testes still make sperm, but they are absorbed by the body. Despite the possibility that a vasectomy can be reversed, the success rate for reversal is only 50 to 70 percent. I am glad to hear that you have had a serious discussion with your wife about the procedure, as this procedure is best viewed as a form of permanent sterility and is not a decision to be taken lightly. With regards to the serious thought that needs to be put into this decision, many physicians will spend a considerable amount of time not only discussing the risks, benefits, potential outcomes and how the procedure is performed, but they will also make sure you appreciate the potential permanency.

To understand the procedure, let's discuss the anatomy of the male reproductive system. Sperm is stored in the scrotum in a small organ on each testicle called the epididymis. Each epididymis is connected to the penis via a tube called the vas deferens. During ejaculation, the epididymis contracts and sends sperm into the penis to be released from the body. In order to keep the sperm from reaching the penis, the physician enters the scrotum, the sack of skin that holds your reproductive organs, and cuts or clamps each vas deferens. Using various techniques, the physician secures each vas deferens so that they should not be able to reconnect or reopen. Once the vas deferens are secured, the incision in the scrotum is closed and the procedure is complete.

The procedure will take about an hour and can be done under local anesthetic. Pain and swelling can be expected for around the first week. Pain medication, physical support of the area (as in the use of a jock strap or similar medical support), ice and rest are usually adequate measures to control the pain and swelling. There are a few other postprocedure complications that can occur such as a hematoma (blood clot), infection, pain and swelling in the epididymis due to sperm congestion, or post-vasectomy pain syndrome (PVPS). PVPS is prolonged pain following the procedure. PVPS can occur in 1-15% of cases and, most of the time, is due to chronic congestive epididymitis. In these cases, much of the treatment relies on anti-inflammatory use and warm baths. If these treatments do not help, a vasectomy reversal is often recommended and has a PVPS symptom relief rate of 70-82%. However, with today's procedure techniques and antibiotics, complications are rare. If you are concerned about possible complications make sure to discuss them with the physician performing the procedure or your flight surgeon.

A vasectomy is a relatively routine, straightforward procedure that can usually be done in an office setting. However, there may be a certain amount of apprehension on the day of the procedure. Your physician may give you the option of taking a medication that will help calm and relax you.

Following the procedure, you will typically be grounded for 1-2 weeks. However, this timeframe is dependent on numerous variables such as your flight

surgeon's recommendations, continued pain or discomfort, continued pain medication use, and if complications occurred during the procedure. Much of this will be discussed with your flight surgeon prior to and/or following the procedure.

For the first week following the procedure, sexual activity should be avoided. However, when sexual intercourse is reinitiated, a method of pregnancy prevention should be used for approximately three months. A follow-up is conducted around three months after the procedure in which an ejaculate sample is provided and checked for sperm content. In the three months leading up to the follow on testing you should have at least 20 ejaculations. This ensures that the vas deferens has been cleared of any sperm that remain. So, the bottom line is that the first three months following the procedure, sexual intercourse still has the possibility of causing pregnancy.

In summary, a vasectomy is a permanent procedure that prevents a man from being able to father any more children. The decision to have a vasectomy is something to consider seriously with one's partner because there is no guarantee that the procedure can be reversed. A vasectomy is a safe, routine procedure that is 98% effective at preventing pregnancy with relatively few prolonged side effects. Be sure to speak with your flight surgeon if you have questions or are interested in having this procedure.

Fly safe!

Question for the Flight Surgeon?

If you have a question you would like addressed, email it to *AskFS@quad-a. org*; we'll try to address it in the future. See your unit flight surgeon for your personal health issues.

The views and opinions offered are those of the author and researchers and should not be construed as an official Department of the Army position unless otherwise stated.

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CCAD - Improving Warfighter Sustainability

By Quentin Johnson

or more than 56 years the Corpus Christi Army Depot (CCAD) has played a pivotal role in the support of our nation's warfighter through in-depth modification, repair and overhaul of rotary wing components and aircraft. CCAD is coupled with almost a dozen original equipment manufacturer (OEM), government, and educational partnerships providing the latest in technical, engineering and logistical services. Built on their vision "Mission First, People Always," CCAD has progressed from a mere 15-acre footprint to more than 150 acres and 2.6 million square feet of industrial space, while producing more than \$9 million in savings for each aircraft rebuilt.

This progress didn't come easy. In addition to economic setbacks and weather-related issues like Hurricane Harvey, CCAD artisans have pushed through to keep production levels high. Their fortitude coupled with advancements in technology, has led CCAD to its greatest achievements, thus far.

CCAD has implemented many initiatives, programs and technological tools in their production system to reach such achievements. These programs include the Logistics Modernization Program (LMP), Art of the Probable (AoP), the CCAD Campaign Plan, a kitting program with the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), and modernized remanufacturing of multiple facilities.

Modern Facilities

The largest CCAD facelift came from the completion of the Dynamic Component Repair Facility (DCRF) Phase I and the introduction of Phase II. This updated and customized



production facility sits at more than 100 thousand square feet, and currently delivers streamlined production for powertrain gearboxes and rotor heads. The DCRF is energy efficient, saving millions in electricity a year, and is rated to withstand extreme weather. Besides allowing employees (artisans) to follow their component from start to finish, another benefit of the DCRF is the Smart Transmission Test System (STTS). The STTS reduces the need for almost a dozen separate transmission test cell systems, and transportation of each transmission to another location, into one interchangeable test component.

Hangar 43 – specializing in aircraft assembly and electrical installation – was renovated, transforming it into a modern, state-of-the-art facility. The

energy efficient hangar has increased production capabilities, contains an advanced electrical and compressed air distribution system, a new fire alarm, and is compliant with all ADA requirements.

Complete conservation efforts are a priority when building or remodeling CCAD facilities. Examples include storm water sampling and metering stations are emplaced, and continue to ensure discharge events meet regulatory requirements and do not impact local recreational activities. In fact, CCAD was awarded with FY16 and FY17 Army Materiel Command Environmental Pollution Prevention (P2) funding to upgrade the motor pool wash rack and Oil Water Separator. Additional environmental improvements include on-site air



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quality checks, reduced emissions, wastewater treatment processes, and an energy savings performance contract with projected savings of up to \$3 million per year.

Modern Initiatives

Like facilities modernization, CCAD has also implemented many modern initiatives and programs to keep production advancements at the forefront. The LMP model, which has been in use for many years, began to progress in 2015 when CCAD capitalized on its real benefits through an upgrade to LMP Increment 2 and a platform called the Complex Assembly Manufacturing System (CAMS). CAMS is an integral part of the overall

production and maintenance process. complements LMP Increment capabilities by integrating two separate systems comprised of data, tool and component tracking, along with material processing and routing, into one precise, paperless networking system. CAMS has alleviated data entry errors, increased transparency of production orders, improved data tracking response, and more than doubled the amount of users for better networking. Most importantly, CCAD now has the capability to forecast its production and material services more accurately up to a year out.

With a need for accurate forecasting, modernization of the supply system was another initiative put in place.

The partnership of CCAD and DLA has established a new kitting system to reduce constraint and create more efficiency. This system improves recapitalization efforts, specifically for the UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters, which has been the largest struggle in finding improvements for a streamlined process. Under the system, Pre-shop Analysis employees will no longer have to order complete component parts individually. Each of the 50 different kits will hold all parts for each section of the helicopter rebuild. Creating this new standard will cut down on forecasting needs, allow helicopters to be kitted without interruption from waiting on parts, and reduce multiple line numbers for each part to a single line number for each kit.

One of CCAD's newest initiatives is Art of the Probable (AoP). This



CCAD Hangar 43

system was implemented to eliminate constraints within CCAD's overall aircraft production line. AoP is based on elements such as the theory of constraints (TOC), Drum Buffer Rope (DBR), Toyota Kata, Lean Six Sigma and other methodologies designed to find constraints and excess resources that disrupt the production process. The process has worked great for increasing throughput while showing gains in recapitalization efficiencies and effectiveness. CCAD's culture has shown significant change in speed, accuracy and quality.

Keeping in line with AoP, CCAD developed a Campaign Plan, based



CCAD DCRF Team

off the Army Aviation and Missile Command's (AMCOM) campaign plan, focused on continuing lines of effort throughout each directorate. The aim behind the campaign plan is to peak CCAD proficiency to create readiness and sustainability for our present and future Army force. The efforts put forth by CCAD artisans ensure that our Soldiers are ready for the missions of today, as well as for the unforeseen conflicts of tomorrow.

Future Initiatives

CCAD continues to look to the future of modernization and technological advancements with ongoing initiatives and programs. DCRF Phases II – IV are scheduled to last through fiscal year 2022. The completed expansion will add almost 1 million square feet to the already-built DCRF building. Additionally, the finished product will allow CCAD to produce almost a third more aircraft each year, save millions in energy and cut production costs and time.

Other future initiatives include a renovation of the Rotor Blade Shop. The 10,000 square-foot expanse will increase blade production, increase capacity for blade stock on hand, and cut energy costs. Likewise, the Aircraft Corrosion Control Facility is more than 77,000 square feet. This state-of-the-art building will provide aircraft and components parts cleaning as well as surface treatment and painting for Army, Air Force, and Navy rotor-wing aircraft. In addition it will reduce airborne particulate matter well below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's mandated requirements. The building is also LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver compliant through the use of environmental-friendly building materials and processes during the construction phase.

As CCAD continues to move forward, production and capacity are only the beginning of the impact it will leave. CCAD's top priorities will always be support of the warfighter and its artisans.

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From the Field >

One System Remote Video Terminal -A Force Multiplier in Afghanistan

By MAJ Steven Seigler and CW3 Joel Gooch



The Multi-Directional Antenna System (MDAS) antenna placed on top of the TF Marauder TAC-CP building at contingency location Dwyer (DWY) in Afghanistan

st Battalion (Attack Reconnaissance), 151st Aviation Regiment is one of the four remaining reserve component ARBs assigned to the ARNG following the Aviation Restructuring Initiative. The unit has established its reputation from performances during Operations Iraqi Freedom (04/05), New Dawn/Spartan Shield (11/12) and Freedom's Sentinel (OFS) (17/18), as well as training and maintaining the only AH-64D deck landing-qualified pilots in the Army, among other accomplishments

1-151st ARB served as Task Force (TF) Marauder during OFS by combining units from 4 ARNG states and the active component. All AH units were organic to the battalion, conducting split based operations from Kandahar Airfield (KAF) and contingency location Dwyer (DWY) in southern Afghanistan. The TF provided hasty attack, reconnaissance and security support, as well as air assault, heavy and medium lift support to both coalition (partnered w/Afghan forces) and enabled Afghan (unpartnered/unaccompanied) elements. TF MEDE-VAC support was reserved for partnered Afghan National Defense and Security Force (ANDSF) and coalition forces only. In general, during the more than 10,000 flight hours executed by the task force, multiple engagements with each of the AH-64's weapon systems were directly enabled by the use of OSRVT footage in the command posts of supported units.

Using the System

TF Marauder primarily supported three distinct entities in southern Afghanistan during their 2017/2018 rotation, Train, Advise, Assist Command-South (TAAC-S), Advise and Assist Command Task Force Southwest (AAC/TF SW) and NATO Special Operations Combat Command-Afghanistan (NSOCC-A). Operations in support of TF SW were primarily in the rapid response/quick reaction force (QRF) role for attack weapons teams (AWTs) as such the ability to view the AH-64D sensor remotely was critical to the target engagement authority (TEA) approving strikes on enemy forces operating in Helmand Province. Such missions were primarily in support of unaccompanied Afghan forces, meaning no coalition ground force commander with TEA was present with them. Before TF Marauder's implementation of OSRVT to view Target Acquisition and Designation System (TADS) footage, TEAs relied heavily on other manned and unmanned full motion video (FMV) feeds to confirm targets, collateral damage and other parts of the rules of engagement (ROE) required "6 pillars" in order to clear AWT fires. The ability of the AWT sensor to be viewed by the TEA remotely through OSRVT, created an easy link between the approval authority and the aircrew, cutting the time from identification of hostile intent to strike approval to mere minutes. This alone allowed more strikes and fewer in-





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An AH-64D from A/1-151st ARB taxies for take-off at contingency location Dwyer (DWY), Afghanistan.

stances of loss of target fidelity in the heartland of the Taliban during this period. Through the course of the deployment, changes to ROE for OFS granted more autonomy to AH-64 crews and their sensors, allowing for single point target identification without manned or unmanned aerial system (UAS) FMV being required.

Currently most FMV sensors are broadcast across the SIPRNET via web applications, which are accessible to a variety of supported units which lack more sophisticated equipment such as the OSRVT. Stand-alone systems like Digital Video Broadcast Return Channel via Satellite (DVBRCS) is also employed by units so equipped to gain access to satellite link feeds directly, such systems not being subject to terrain or distance limitations like line of sight systems. Given the relatively flat terrain of Helmand and the requirements to operate within the MEDEVAC response ring, the TF Marauder tactical command post (TAC-CP) at DWY was always within operational range of the aircrews when operating. By conducting proper coordination, TF Marauder West at DWY was able to add their OSRVT feed to a dedicated URL through a commercial media player on a SIPRNET computer. This ensured that supported units and TEAs could view the real-time feeds from any location while speaking directly to the air mission commanders (AMCs) to develop the situation and eventually approve strikes.

This effort bridged the capability gap between other fires platforms such as F-16 and A-10, and traditional manned and unmanned intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance (ISR) which have long broadcast their feeds for easy viewing. Further, AH-64s are not subject to many of the restrictions and limitations encountered by higher flying ISR and Fires platforms as mentioned. The MQ-1 Gray Eagle and MQ-9 Reaper require high ceilings in order to operate and view target areas, they also have more restrictive wind envelopes and higher approval levels for employment or re-tasking their sensors. AH-64s can operate with ceilings and visibility below the coordination level for fixed wing (FW) traffic, and are usually in direct support to the ground force commander (GFC) for rapid re-tasking and employment of fires. The critical link that was long missing was the ability to transmit and receive AH-64 sensor feeds across great distance. Couple the ability to view TADS video with the ability to communicate with the pilots via SATCOM voice and Blue Force Tracking (BFT) messaging, and the need for communications relay or ISR feeds is removed.

While the mountainous terrain of Northern Kandahar and other locations in TAAC-S restricted this type of use in those areas, the AAG capability still proved quite useful when ground units were equipped with ROVER capabilities in remote areas, whether or not an OSRVT was present. Further, the higher percentage of partnered operations in Kandahar, versus the unpartnered (enabled) operations in Helmand made the remote TEA requirement less critical, as U.S. joint tactical air controllers (JTACs) and GFCs were able to grant that authority from the objective area.

Fully Leveraging System Capabilities

Simply viewing real time full motion video from the platforms is often not enough for TEAs. The JTACs at TF SW could easily conduct talk-ons, store targets and increase situational awareness for the TEA by using the full functionality, however, remotely viewing the feed removed the target store capability and other features. Still, in CPs remotely viewing the feed, operations personnel were able to both record video and grab screen captures that aided in intelligence analysis, and storyboard production. This further enhanced the value of viewing the TADS feed, reducing the time between capture and analysis, which was usually limited to recorded video downloads following mission debriefs.

The Future

Increased situational awareness for the commander is one of the key enabling tasks for an ARB; not only for the ARB commander, but the supported ground force commander. Reconnaissance and security operations in many different operations, both decisive action and contingency, will benefit from the ability of units to properly setup, troubleshoot and use the OSRVT. Despite stated limitations, in most cases, the OS-RVT was not limited severely in flat terrain, often keeping links at distances of more than twice the briefed ranges. However, increased range for the Multi-Directional Antenna System (MDAS) antenna and additional improvements in the air to air to ground (AAG) systems for the AH-64 fleet are sure to come in the future, and they will only enhance the ability to coordinate complex strikes during even deep operations. The limitations encountered by units using the OSRVT and AAG systems in mountainous terrain can only be overcome by system changes that include beyond line of sight capability such as KU band repeaters on UAS Communication Relay Package (CRP), or ability to transmit feed over SATLINK.

Units must continue to seek innovative ways to increase the situational awareness of the commander through developing the complete common operating picture within their command posts. In the meantime, the OSRVT is absolutely essential to creating the ideal common operating picture (COP) for ARB and multifunctional task force commanders – TF Marauder's success is testament to that. For additional information on configuring OSRVT for increased capability be on the lookout for these settings to be added to Apache University in the near future.

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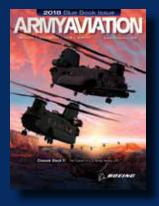
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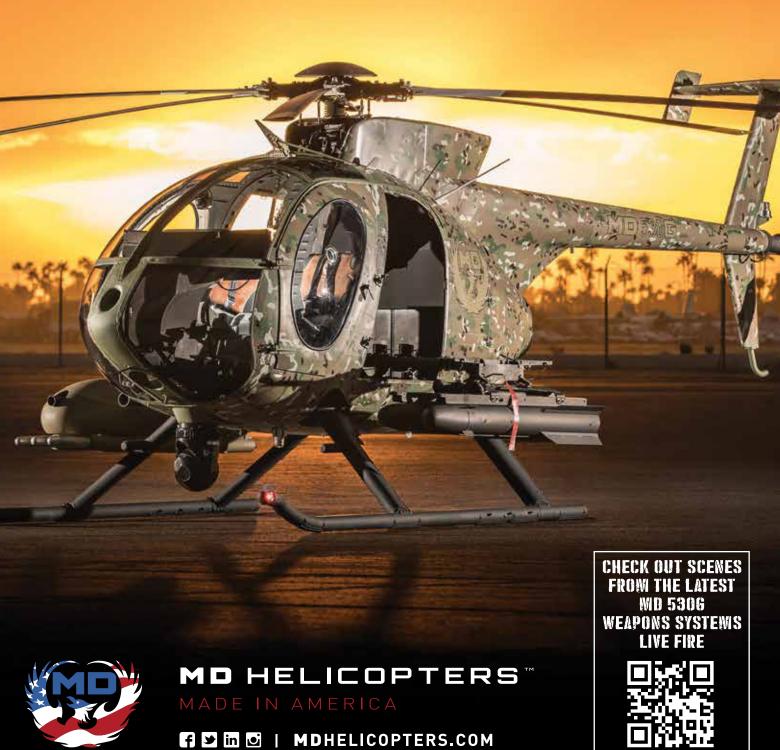
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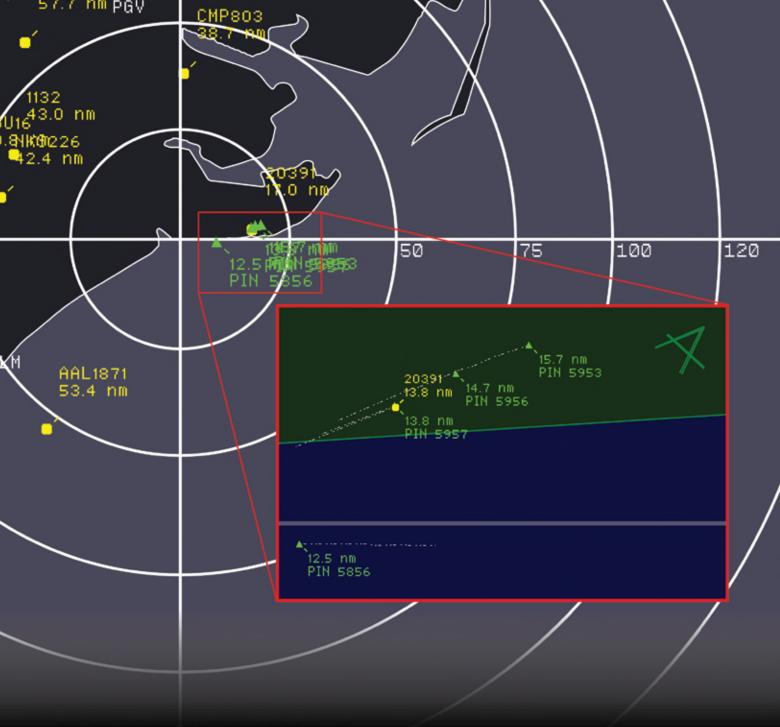


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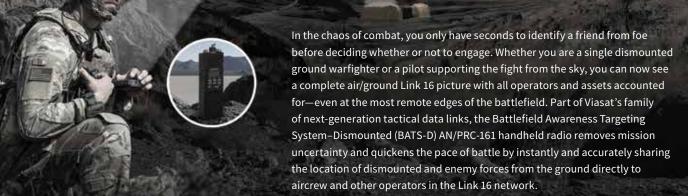
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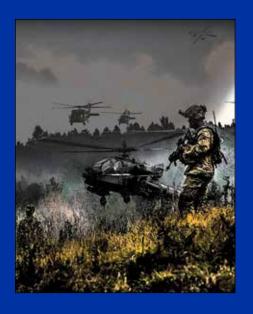
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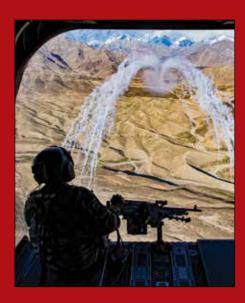


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Your scholarship foundation has come a long way since its inception in 1963 when the first scholarship grant of \$1,500 was awarded to Joel Graft.

Scholarships are the most important AAAA membership benefit and to date AAAASFI has awarded more than \$7.5M to over 4,000 recipients.

This is our second year since we transitioned to a fully electronic voting process consisting of members from the AAAA Awards Committee, AAAA National Board, AAAASFI Board of Governors, Chapter representatives, and the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association (VHPA). We had just enough volunteers to allocate 12 - 15 voters to each Team. Thank you to everyone who took the time to assist in this very important process.

During the selection process, students are judged solely on their own merit. All references to names, units, location or to a relative member's rank/title are removed from the files before board review and are only revealed after all files have been voted and selection by order of merit list has been completed.

This year there were 591 applicants with a selection rate of

approximately 52%. As in previous years, the competition was tough with 48.6% of freshmen attaining a 4.0 or higher grade point average (GPA).

The success rates for applicants based on the member affiliate's demographic group were:

- 44% of enlisted applicants won awards
- 52% of warrant applicants won awards
- 52% of commissioned applicants won awards
- 52% of civilian applicants won awards

This year we saw over half of our AAAA chapters participate in the annual Chapter Matching Program. This program allows our chapters to raise money and have it matched by the Scholarship Foundation based on their chapter size. For our AAAA and Senior chapters the match is up to \$5,000, for our Master chapters it is up to \$4,000 and our Super chapters the match is up to \$3,000.

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Take a few moments to look through the following pages and please join me in congratulating our most deserving 2018 awardees. If you have any questions about the program contact us at (800) 722-ARMY, or scholarship@quad-a.org.

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Tennessee Valley Chapter MAJ Jeffrey DeCarlo Memorial Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Riley J Hartwell -Daughter of CW4 Stuart Hartwell, Harvest AL -Auburn University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Paul Bogosian Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Sarah M Switzer -Daughter of Mr. Michael Switzer, Madison AL - Auburn University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Stan Cagle Memorial Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Jessica C Kozar -Daughter of Ms. Marcie Kozar, Huntsville AL -Auburn University



Bell Corporate Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$1,000 for 2 years - Elizabeth M Ryan - Daughter of COL Philip Ryan, Fort Campbell KY - Ithaca College



Boeing Corporate Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$1,000 for 2 years - Lauren E Tonn - Daughter of Ms. Amy Moore, Mesa AZ -Arizona State University



S3 Inc. Corporate
Matching Scholarship
\$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1
year - Courtney A Bratt Daughter of LTC Richard
Bratt, Madison AL Brigham Young
University



Sikorsky (Igor Sikorsky) Corporate Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Veronica M Pantalone - Daughter of Mr. Joseph Pantalone, Guilford CT - Georgia Institute of Technology



Sikorsky II (Igor Sikorsky) Corporate Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Ashley F Penczynzyn -Daughter of Mr. Alexander Penczynzyn, Wallingford CT - Sacred Heart Univ.



COL James W. Lloyd Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Emily R Graham -Daughter of LTC Andrew Graham, Fayetteville NC -Clemson University



Aloha Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Sarah N Tingstrom - Daughter of LTC Peter Tingstrom, Kaneohe HI - Texas A&M University -Commerce



Aloha Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Erica M Harris -Daughter of CW3 Joseph Harris, Wahiawa HI -Texas A&M University



Arizona Chapter Dimmery-Koch Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Katelynn F Roberts - Daughter of LTC Daniel Roberts, Chandler AZ - Montana State University



Arizona Chapter Dimmery-Koch Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Samuel H Webster - Son of Lt. Col. John Webster, Gilbert AZ -Arizona State University



Arizona Chapter Dimmery-Koch Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Jana E Vandenberg -Daughter of CW4 John Vandenberg, Mesa AZ - Arizona State University



Arizona Chapter Dimmery-Koch Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Lauren N Loftis -Daughter of Ms. Diana Loftis, Mesa AZ -Midwestern University



Arizona Chapter Dimmery-Koch Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Rachel C Robinson - Daughter of Mr. Dwayne Robinson, Mesa AZ - University of Arizona



Connecticut Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Elise M Moreau -Daughter of Mr. Claude Moreau, Vernon CT -Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University



Connecticut Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Jayna M Pacelli - Daughter of Mr. John Pacelli, Trumbull CT -University of Delaware



Flint Hills Chapter Arrowsmith 35 Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Olivia K Belin -Daughter of LTC George Belin, Manhattan KS -University of Notre Dame



Flint Hills Chapter SSG Devoy Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Connor B Black -Son of COL Chris Black, Fort Riley KS -Hampden-Sydney College



Gold Standard Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Shawn A Derossett - Son of SGT Michael DeRossett, Falls of Rough KY - Western Kentucky University Honors College



Idaho Snake River Chapter CW4 Jon L. Hartway Memorial Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Jenna M. Russell - Grandchild of Maj A. Russell, Sandpoint ID -University of Montana



Idaho Snake River Chapter CW4 Stien P. Gearhart Memorial Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Hanna G Sauer - Daughter of LTC John Sauer, Boise ID - Utah Valley University



Jack H. Dibrell/Alamo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$1,000 for 2 years - Joshua A Cunningham - Son of LTC John Cunningham, San Antonio TX - University of Texas at San Antonio



Jack H. Dibrell/Alamo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$1,000 for 2 years - Michael G Pratt - Grandchild of CW2 Clifford Hyatt, New Braunfels TX - Texas Tech University



Southern California Chapter COL Jake Benjamin Memorial Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Paul Joseph Hudson - Son of LTC Craig Hudson, Fullerton California State University, Long Beach



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Connor F Gilpin -Son of CW4 Sean Gilpin, Madison AL -Purdue University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Olivia Flowers, Scottsboro, AL -University of Mississippi



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Madeline K Glosemeyer - Daughter of Mr. Paul Glosemeyer, Madison AL - University of Alabama in Huntsville



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Nicole E Matis -Daughter of Mr. Joseph Matis, Owens Cross Roads AL - University of Tennessee



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Lauren M Schlosser - Daughter of Mr. Brendan Schlosser, Madison AL - Auburn University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Sarah B Bateman - Daughter of Mr. Michael Bateman, Harvest AL - Calhoun Community College



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Claudia P Stephens - Daughter of COL Gary Stephens, Brownsboro AL -Samford University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Morgan R Kurowsky - Grandchild of Mr. Ronald Kurowsky, Madison AL - University of Alabama at



Birmingham Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Shaun E Hartwell - Daughter of CW4 Stuart Hartwell, Harvest AL - Auburn University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Christopher W Davis - Son of COL Gerald Davis, Madison AL - University of Alabama



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Paige N Jacobson - Daughter of LTC Marc Jacobson, Madison AL - The College of William and Mary



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Gregory J Sheibley - Son of Mr. Robert Sheibley, Madison AL -University of Alabama at Birmingham



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Lydia G Rotenberger - Daughter of Mr. Kevin Rotenberger, Huntsville AL - University of Alabama at Birmingham



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Amanda L Munoz - Daughter of Mr. Daniel Munoz, Madison AL -University of Alabam



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - William P Kretzschmar - Son of Mr. Richard Kretzschmar, Huntsville AL - Auburn University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - William L Robinson - Son of Mr. Randy Robinson, Taft TN - Purdue University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Lindsey Marie Killen - Daughter of LTC Brad Killen, Killen AL -University of North Alabama



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Grace E Frost - Grandchild of Mr. Thomas Geoffroy, Union Grove AL - Illinois College



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Ella L. Rauer -Daughter of LTC Scott Rauer, Huntsville AL -The George Washington University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Ethan A Wiggins - Son of Mr. George Wiggins, Harvest AL -University of Alabama in Huntsville



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Cristina I Northcutt - Daughter of Mr. Jeffrey Northcutt, Harvest AL -University of Alabama in Huntsville



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Ethan J Vallely -Son of Mr. Daniel Vallely, Huntsville AL - The University of Alabama at Birmingham



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Jacob Wieter -Son of Mr. Kent Wieter, Madison AL - Auburn University



Tennessee Valley Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Emma E Hovanes - Daughter of Mr. Kenneth Hovanes, Huntsville AL - Auburn University



Thunderbird Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Carly Rose Pindel - Daughter of SFG Richard Pindel, Moore OK -Mid-America Christian University



Thunderbird Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Robert W Walker - Son of LTC Robert Walker, Tulsa OK - Oral Roberts University



Thunderbird Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Dustin W Gabbert, Stillwater, OK -Oklahoma State University



Voodoo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Madeline B Plunkett - Daughter of COL John Plunkett, Covington LA - University of Alabama



Voodoo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Hailey N Kosutic -Daughter of 1SG Robert Kosutic, Slidell LA -Louisiana State University



Voodoo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Andrew I Oracz, New Orleans, LA - Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine



Voodoo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Elizabeth V. Krutzfeldt - Daughter of CW5 Matthew Krutzfeldt, Madisonville LA - Louisiana State University



Voodoo Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Andrew Ivers Peterson - Grandchild of CW3 Russell Bourgoyne, Clinton LA - Louisiana State University



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Nelcy Denice D. Avila - Daughter of CW5 Fernando Avila-Gonzalez, Waldorf MD -Salisbury University



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Connor Elizabeth Wood - Daughter of Mr. Jerry Wood, Alexandria VA -University of South Carolina



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Connor M Smedley - Son of LTC Thomas Smedley, Springfield VA -Virginia Tech



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$2,000 - \$2,000 for 1 year - Brandon Bernard Brooks - Son of CSM Bernard Brooks, Fort Belvoir VA - University of North Georgia



MSG Gary I. Gordon & SFC Randall D. Shughart Memorial Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Travis Barrow, Orwigsburg, PA -Pennsylvania State University



90th Anniversary of Fort Monmouth Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - James M Weaver - Son of COL Charles Weaver, Camden Wyoming DE - To be determined



Lindbergh Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Zachary J Rickmeyer - Grandchild of Mr. Jaros Rickmeyer, St. Louis MO - University of Texas - Austin



Lindbergh Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Mika J Reichert -Grandchild of LTC David Reichert, Bradenton FL - University of New Mexico



Mid-Atlantic/Monmouth Chapter (COL James E. Young) Matching Scholarship \$1,500 -\$1,500 for 1 year - Drew N Isennock - Son of CW5 Albert Isennock, Darlington MD - Loyola University Maryland



Mid-Atlantic/Monmouth Chapter (Hogelin/ O'Donnell) Matching Scholarship \$1,500 -\$1,500 for 1 year - Emily N Stolarczyk - Daughter of CW5 Stephen Stolarczyk, Arnold MD - North Carolina State University



Washington-Potomac Chapter (MG Carl McNair) Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Nicholas R Eidemiller, Arlington, VA - Harvard Kennedy School



COL Charles L. Anderson, Ret. Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Kala Richardson -Daughter of CW5 Herman Richardson, Wilmington DE -University of North Dakota



MG Ostovich & Lucky Wright Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Nicholas P Kline -Son of COL John Kline, Fairfax Station VA -Virginia Tech



Aviation Center Chapter (Navigator Development Group Inc) Matching Scholarship \$1,500 -\$1,500 for 1 year - Faith A Powell - Daughter of Mr. Christopher Powell, Enterprise AL - University of Alabama



Aviation Center Chapter (Sikorsky – a Lockheed Martin Company) Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Casey Jon Paris - Son of CW4 Shawn Paris, Fort Rucker AL -Savannah College of Art and Design



Lindbergh Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Jonathan D Rickmeyer - Grandchild of Mr. Jaros Rickmeyer, St. Louis MO - Saint Louis University



Lindbergh Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Luke A Thibodeau - Son of Mr. Mark Thibodeau, Chesterfield MO - University of Missouri



Tarheel Chapter 1SG John Hunter Memorial Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Rachel A Edwards - Grandchild of COL Terry Benson, Raleigh NC -Georgetown University



Tarheel Chapter
CPT Christopher M.
Plummer Memorial
Matching Scholarship
\$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year
- Sarah Chen - Daughter
of Mr. Daoyang Chen,
Cary NC Univ. of North Carolina
School of Medicine



Tarheel Chapter CW3
Kevin Hatcher Memorial
Matching Scholarship
\$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1
year - Marcos C Edge
- Son of CW2 Luis
Jerezbrea, Raleigh NC Wake Forest University



Tarheel Chapter CW3 Richard B. James Memorial Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Bret N Avery - Son of SFC Brian Avery, Willow Spring NC -Western Carolina University



Tarheel Chapter CW5 James "Freddy" Reeves Memorial Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Brian D Chen - Son of Mr. Daoyang Chen, Cary NC - University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



Tarheel Chapter
CW5 Randy Watkins
Memorial Matching
Scholarship
\$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1
year - Luke H Ryals - Son
of SFC Raymond Ryals,
Clayton NC North Carolina State
University



Thunder Mountain Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Ashley C Legoas -Daughter of CW4 Carlos Legoas, Fayetteville NC -University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



Thunder Mountain Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Nicholas N Rogers - Son of MAJ Patrick Rogers, Maryville TN -University of Tennessee



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Caitlyn Dorrer -Daughter of LTC Marc Dorrer, Rockville MD -St. Mary's College of Maryland



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Christine M Criqui - Daughter of COL Brett Criqui, Fort Belvoir VA - James Madison University



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Rylie N Smedley -Daughter of LTC Thomas Smedley, Springfield VA - Columbia College Chicago



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Jenna L.C. Huber-Daughter of COL Robert Huber, Manassas VA - University of Louisville



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Kohen P Hernandez - Son of CW3 Kyle Hernandez, Woodbridge VA - Plymouth State University



Washington-Potomac Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,500 - \$1,500 for 1 year - Kelsey E Greene -Grandchild of LTC Robert Greene, Potomac Falls VA - Sam Houston State University



Carolyn L. Chapman Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Emily V Ettrich -Daughter of LTC Brian Ettrich, Whispering Pines NC - University of North Carolina at Chapel



COL John J. Stanko, Jr. Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Carly Wood -Daughter of BG David Wood, Lancaster PA -Temple University



COL John W. Marr Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jacklyn M Peterson - Daughter of MG Erik Peterson, Fort Hood TX - Northeastern University



COL Russell Baugh Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - William T Auchincloss - Son of MAJ Paul Auchincloss, APO AE - To be determined



Don and Ruth Luce Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Zeke M Rivas, Corpus Christi, TX -Bellevue University



GEN Hamilton H. Howze Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Virginia Mele -Daughter of COL Paul Mele, Blacksburg VA -University of Mississippi



Jane & Wayne Phillips Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jamieson M Edmonds - Daughter of COL Neal Edmonds, Moseley VA - Virginia Tech



Justin K. Bhansali Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Karson J Shields - Son of MAJ Kenneth Shields, Carrollton GA -Auburn University



Air Assault Chapter COL (Ret.) Henry "Hawk" Ruth Matching Scholarship \$1,000 -\$1,000 for 1 year - Taylor Carolyn Blasey - Daughter of Mr. Steven Blasey, Clarksville TN - University of Kentucky



Air Assault Chapter COL Ted Crozier Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Samantha E Black - Grandchild of COL Henry Ruth, Springfield TN - Univ. of Tennessee at Chattanooga



Air Assault Chapter CW5 (Ret.) George Arzente Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jared C Smith -Son of Mr. Chris Smith, Fort Campbell KY - The University of Tennessee



Air Assault Chapter CW5 (Ret.) Robert L. Huffman Matching Scholarship \$1,000 -\$1,000 for 1 year - Kara Q Wegner - Daughter of MAJ Dean Wegner, Brentwood TN -University of Tennessee



Air Assault Chapter II Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Steven A. Jacobs - Son of CPT Art Jacobs, Brentwood TN -Lipscomb University



Air Assault Chapter II Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Heidi Schuessler - Daughter of CW4 Peter Schuessler, Pleasant View TN -University of Tennessee at Chattanooga



Colonial Virginia Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Garrett A Frazier - Son of LTC James Frazier, Williamsburg VA Virginia Tech



Greater Atlanta Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Mackenzie L Miller - Daughter of MAJ Jeffrey Miller, Peachtree City GA - Georgia Southern University



Lindbergh Chapter
- Past Presidents
Matching Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Lalita A Andrews
- Daughter of Mr. Frim
Andrews, Wright City
MO - Central Methodist
University



Mid-Atlantic Chapter (Carnes-Roache) Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Emily Hirschman - Daughter of COL Keith Hirschman, White Salmon WA - The Chicago School of Professional Psychology



Mid-Atlantic Chapter 244th Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigade Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Emily R Galloway - Grandchild of Mr. Chester Galloway, Keyport NJ - Seton Hall University



Mid-Atlantic Chapter 29th Combat Aviation Brigade Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Christian M Elmer, Carneys Point, NJ -Virginia Tech



Mid-Atlantic/Monmouth Chapter (MAJ R. Kahl-Winter) Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Destiny Rose Sheard - Daughter of COL John Sheard, Jackson NJ - Rowan University



North Texas Chapter Edwin "Ed" A. Link Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jordan Gilligan -Daughter of Mr. Jason Gilligan, Rockwall TX -Texas A&M



North Texas Chapter George H. Schultz Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jonathan Chais -Grandchild of CPT John Honaker, Southlake TX - University of North



North Texas Chapter Lawrence "Larry" D. Bell Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Taylor J Stagle -Grandchild of LTC Jim Wingate, Fort Worth TX -University of Arizona



North Texas Chapter LTG Bob Williams Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Naomi Ayala -Spouse of SSG Josh Ayala, Arlington TX -University of Texas at Arlington



North Texas Chapter Mike Kawa Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Peter Gray Smith, Dallas, TX - Southern Methodist University



North Texas Chapter Red River 44 Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Alexis N Hohman, Irving, TX - University of Dallas



Phantom Corps Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Hannah C Lieber - Daughter of CW3 Matthew Lieber, Killeen TX - Texas A&M University



Stonewall Jackson Chapter (SSG Darryl D. Booker) Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Caleb Douglas Straley - Grandchild of CW4 Ronald Maisch, Louisa VA - Christopher Newport University



Volunteer Chapter 1LT Thomas Williams, Jr. Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Kiely A Long -Daughter of CW2 Dale Long, New Tazewell TN -Walters State Community College



Volunteer Chapter CPT Marcus Alford Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Aubrey J P Bloom, Murfreesboro, TN - Middle Tennessee StateUniversity



Volunteer Chapter CW2 Billie Jean Grinder Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Delaney R Bredehoeft - Grandchild of CAPT Fred Bredehoeft, Independence MO -Texas Christian University



Volunteer Chapter CW3 Tim Flanigan Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Liam R McFadden - Son of COL Michael McFadden, Jamesville NY - Virginia Tech



Volunteer Chapter CW4
Dan Cole Memorial
Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Catherine O Laster
- Daughter of LTC Edwin
Laster, Savannah
GA - Georgia Institute of
Technology



ACME Aerospace Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Connor O Murphy - Son of COL Stephen Murphy, El Paso TX -Villanova University



Art and Dotty Kesten AAPI Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Kristina M Bone - Daughter of LTC Jack Bone, Apo AE -University of Tennessee Knoxville



Bannister Enterprises Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Abby L Sigurdson - Daughter of MAJ Alan Johnson, Olivia MN -Bethel University



CSRA Corporate
Matching Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Meredith E Ward
- Daughter of COL Chad
Ward, Niceville FL University of Alabama



Donaldson Company, Inc., Aerospace & Defense Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Aaron C Bradow - Son of Mr. Ernest Bradow, Cedar HIII MO - University of Missouri St. Louis



Dyncorp International Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Molly M Golden -Daughter of MAJ Michael Golden, Lakeville MN West Point



Meggitt Defense Systems Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Riley E Hines -Daughter of COL Kelly Hines, Fort Rucker AL -University of Alabama



Robertson Research Group, Inc. Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Nicole E Melnyk -Daughter of COL Richard Melnyk, West Point NY - George Washington University



The Timken Aerospace Transmissions LLC-Purdy Systems Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Christopher R Gibb, Glastonbury, CT -University of Massachusetts Amherst



The WO1 Arthur F.
Chaney Memorial
Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Logan H Bergeron
- Daughter of CW3
Robert Bergeron,
Enterprise AL - Auburn
University



Vencore, Inc. Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jessica L Ramos -Daughter of CW4 Jeffrey Macauley, Federal Way WA - University of Colorado Boulder



Vertex Aerospace Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Grace T Long -Daughter of MAJ Patrick Long, Huntsville AL -Harding University



Vertol Systems Corporate Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Caitlyn N Albus - Daughter of COL Christopher Albus, Harker Heights TX -Texas Tech University



"The Originals"
Cub Club Heritage
Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Chloe R Hoover Daughter of CW4 Brian
Hoover, Gig Harbor
WA - Washington State
University



7/17th Cavalry
Association Heritage
Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Clayton James
Downey - Son of LTC
Christopher Downey,
Ambler PA - The
Pennsylvania State
University



Mike Novosel Dustoff Association Heritage Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Devon R Nielsen - Spouse of CW3 Ryan Nielsen, Tucson AZ -Pima Community College



Otter-Caribou Heritage Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jamie N. Calder, Midlothian, TX -University of Mary Hardin - Baylor



Otter-Caribou Heritage Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Zackary Shriner -Grandchild of MAJ David Shriner, Moody TX -Arizona State University



TCAA (Transportation Corps Aviation) Association) Heritage Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Samantha A Hamontree - Daughter of LTC George Hamontree, Riverview FL - Florida Southern College



The Army Aviation
Heritage Foundation
Sky Soldiers
Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for
1 year - Melanie N
Monaghan - Daughter of
CW3 Michael Monaghan,
Enterprise AL - Auburn
University



Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association of Florida Heritage Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Cynthia Rountree - Grandchild of LTC Thomas Rountree, Hernando FL - Flagler College



1LT Kathryn M. Bailey Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Michael E Frost -Son of COL John Frost, Conway AR -University of Central Arkansas



CW4 Jimmy B. Johnston & Family Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Hannah M Curry - Daughter of Mr. James Curry, Corpus Christi TX - Texas A&M University - College Station



COL Larry and Julie Holcomb Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Logan T Smith - Son of COL Stanley Smith, Enterprise AL -Auburn University



COL Lewis J. and Betty L. McConnell Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Christian L Fontanez-Virella -Son of LTC Luis Fontanez, Columbus GA - Georgia Institute of Technology



CW3 Stephen A. Hansen Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Bruce A Cross, Camden, SC - Francis Marion University



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CW4 Jimmy B. Johnston & Family Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Allison P Lanceta - Daughter of COL Allan Lanceta, Corpus Christi TX - Mississippi State University



CW4 Richard E.
Campbell Memorial
Scholarship
\$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1
year - Maria L Longoria Daughter of CW4 David
Longoria, Fort
Rucker AL - Georgia
Institute of Technology



Dianne Stephenson Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Jaci N Huckabee - Daughter of MAJ Justin Huckabee, Fort Leavenworth KS -Pittsburg State University



Frank H. Radspinner Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Kelsey Gilligan -Daughter of Mr. Jason Gilligan, Rockwall TX -Texas A&M



Jim and Joyce Hesson Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Kelly S Jones - Grandchild of MAJ Herschel Jones, Westminster MA -University of California, Berkeley



Johnnie Maule Segars Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Elisabeth C Bianchi - Daughter of LTC John Bianchi, Westerly RI -University of Rhode Island



LTC Thomas F. & Ann Y. McNamara Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Ashley L Gibson - Daughter of MSG Samuel Gibson, Enterprise AL - Auburn University



Sandra Ann Emerson Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Mary C Light -Daughter of SFC Billy Light, Enterprise AL -University of Montevallo



Terry & Bonnie Reininger Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Harry J Hewson - Son of COL Harry Hewson, Fort Worth TX University of Miami



Wes Lematta Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Sarah J Levine -Daughter of COL Mark Levine, Enterprise AL -Auburn University



Air Assault Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Emerson M Conner - Daughter of CW4 Terry Hill, Clarksville TN -University of Tennessee at Martin



Air Assault Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Sydney S Karls -Daughter of CW5 Justin Karls, Adams TN -University of Tennessee Knoxville



Air Assault Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Elayne Benson -Daughter of CW4 Patrick Benson, Clarksville TN - Presbyterian College



Air Assault Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Dylan B Edwards - Son of CW4 Foster Edwards, Fort Campbell KY - University of Arizona



Air Assault Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Noemi K Cerritos Gatto - Daughter of SFC Henry Cerritos Caceres, Fort Campbell KY - Marymount University



Air Assault Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Caleb M Sommers - Son of 1SG James Sommers, Big Rock TN -Murray State University



Aviation Center Chapter Matching Scholarship \$1,000 - \$1,000 for 1 year - Matthew J Campbell - Son of COL John Campbell, Enterprise AL -Auburn University



Aviation Center Chapter (Strike Hawk Aviation, LLC) Matching Scholarship \$1,000 -\$1,000 for 1 year - Ashley Powell - Daughter of Mr. Christopher Powell, Enterprise AL - University of Alabama



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NEWS SPOTLIGHT

HAATS Joins Colorado Spring Fire Mission

The Colorado National Guard (CONG) has supported the Spring Fire since July 1, 2018, providing capabilities to include: security personnel for traffic control points and roving patrols; two UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crews and aircraft each equipped with aerial water buckets; geological information system operators; as well as, refueling crews with Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Truck (HEMTT) refueling trucks and firefighters with HEMTT firefighting vehicles.

The CONG has been providing an aviation search and rescue standby capability in support of the Rocky Mountain Area Coordination Center since July 1. The High-Altitude Army National Guard Aviation Training Site facility in Gypsum, Colorado, is supporting the mission which is rapid response to aviation search and rescue missions, primarily for firefighter safety, in support of multiple wildfire responses throughout Colorado.

On order of the Governor, the standing Joint Task Force Centennial commands and integrates CONG forces to support civil authorities in assisting Colorado, or supported states, during times of crisis and disaster, to save lives, prevent suffering, and mitigate great property damage.

Above: Two UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crews and aircraft, equipped with aerial water buckets, from the Chief Warrant Officer 5 David R. Carter Army Aviation Support Facility based at Buckley Air Force Base, Aurora, Colorado, depart the Spring Fire helibase, in Fort Garland, CO, to support fire suppression efforts July 3, 2018. Left: A Colorado National Guard UH-60 Black Hawk crew pauses their firefighting efforts as the airspace is cleared while a plane drops slurry to support fire suppression efforts July 4, 2018.



Historical Perspective >

The Director

By Mark Albertson

It was as if he was born into the concept of mobility; coming into this world in an era of saddles, sabers and stirrups, and leaving behind helicopters, missiles and headwork into a concept that would revolutionize mobility in war...

Mark Albertson



The First Director of modern Army Aviation was a product of the Army. His father, Robert Lee Howze, was a former commandant of cadets at West Point and a Medal-of-Honor recipient. Hamilton graduated from West Point in 1930; then, on to the 7th Cavalry at Fort Bliss. He attended the Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas; and, took in marriage Mary Ingraham Henry, daughter of the commandant of the Cavalry School. In 1938, Howze was assigned to the Philippines for two years; upon his return to the States he was assigned to the 3rd Cavalry at Fort Myer.

Following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Major Howze was assigned to Armor; 8th Armored Division followed by the 1st Armored Division as G3 (Operations). In November 1942, he landed at Oran as part of Operation: TORCH; and following the North African campaign – Italy. During the war, Howze kept within reach *The Principles of War* by Carl von Clausewitz. As he notes, "... the great clarity, its classic literary style, and the military genius of the author, I found the book eminently sustaining during times of stress ..."

The defeat of the Axis saw Colonel Howze eventually attached to the Pentagon, G2 (Intelligence). He was promoted to brigadier general in 1952; and became Deputy Chief of Operations, 7th Army HQ, Stuttgart, Germany under Lieutenant General Anthony McAuliffe. Howze oversaw the rewriting of the operational plans for the defense of southern Germany in response to a surprise attack by Warsaw Pact forces. In the meantime, he decided to learn to fly.

The First Director

Yet Howze's three-year tour in Germany was cut short five months; and, in February 1955, he was back at the Pentagon, sitting with Lieutenant General James M. Gavin. Howze became Chief of the Aviation Division, G3, Headquarters, Department of the Army – in essence, the first Director of Army Aviation. "I was blessed to have in my office," stated Howze, "the Army Aviation Directorate of G3, an excellent staff (Dutch Williams, Glenn Goodhand, Carl Rowan, Ford Alcorn, Trigger Trig, Jim Wells, Paul Greenway), all seasoned pilots, smart, good-humored, tolerant of a beginner as a boss ... true believers in Army Aviation."

General Howze, as did his staff, understood the political reality vis-avis the Air Force: massive retaliation was cloaked in that shining garment of



Poster child expression of Army Aviation independence: The Cobra

reality known as the New Look Defense; which, in essence, bestowed upon the "Bomber Mafia" first string status in wielding the nuclear option for strategic deterrence. In other words, the intercontinental bomber force boasted that capability of bombing any challenger "back into the Stone Age" – to coin a once popular phrase.

Like any other human endeavor, war has an ebb and flow which breeds a changeableness which inevitably affects the constant; a reality to which Hamilton Howze was no stranger. In other words, America's intercontinental bomber advantage was but a transient phase in that protracted Cold War competition between Washington and Moscow. To think otherwise engenders the Maginot Mentality. As General Howze observed: "In the more distant future looms the probability of large, completely airmobile units sky cavalry. The possibilities for its employment in the fluid phase of the ground struggle excite the imagination; as covering forces operating in front of heavier ground elements protecting long, vulnerable flanks of the main forces of the field army, striking enemy formations from unexpected directions with maximum surprise."

Spreading the Word

Among the methods of salesmanship used by Howze to spread the virtues of Army Aviation was obtaining copies of combat problems

for students at the Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. And to these problems he added the factor of Army Aviation; how the utilization of aircraft could offer that decisive effect for the ground forces commander. Other customers, as offered by Howze, was "to my fellow inmates of the Pentagon – in fact, essentially to any Army Staff section that left its door unlocked, and some that didn't." This included various sections of the Army General Staff, Army Chief of R&D and even General Maxwell Taylor, Chief of Staff. Howze even broached the Army fixed wing purchases in excess of the 5,000 pound empty weight limit with the Secretary of the Army, Wilbur M. Bruckner and then with Secretary of Defense, Charles Wilson. And by the time General Howze was on his way to command the 82nd Airborne, "we had under procurement the twin-turboprop Grumman Mohawk (something like 12,000 pounds empty weight) surveillance aircraft and the Canadian de Havilland twin-engine light cargo aircraft (the Caribou, with an empty weight about 17,000 pounds) - a big step forward. Both aircraft eventually saw extensive (and very valuable) service in Vietnam."

The Rogers and Howze Boards

Then in April of 1960, the Rogers Board convened. Chaired by Lieutenant General Gordon Rogers, this committee devoted itself not to Army Aviation combat doctrine; rather, to the research and recommendations for the aircraft and equipment necessary for the tactical aerial requirements for the Army ground forces. General Howze, as a committee member, was able to affix an addendum, "Enclosure I to Section VII: The Requirements for Air Fighting Units." The above, of course, would eventually lead to The Tactical Mobility Requirements Board; or, known popularly as, The Howze Board. Here Hamilton Howze was able to chart the course that would come to define modern Army Aviation... the Airmobility Concept, especially when it had the backing of the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara.

The 11th Air Assault Division (Test) was the fruit of the Howze Board's efforts. And in July 1965, the division was activated for Southeast

THE 11TH AIR ASSAULT DIVISION '64 OUTSTANDING AVIATION UNIT











Result of the Howze Board: 11th Air Assault Division (Test)

Asia in the guise of the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile). In the fall of 1965, the airmobile division cut its teeth at Ia Drang; and soon, the attack helicopter would make its appearance.

The Army had come a long way in taming the Third Dimension for its tactical requirements. Transport helicopters for airmobility and attack helicopters to provide that tactical firepower to assist the footslogger. History, indeed, was repeating itself: The strategic bomber hastened the independence of the Air Force; while the helicopter helped to forge that doctrine of mobility that paved the way to branchhood for Army Aviation.

Addendum

A point of clarification with regards to William Wallace Ford as the First Director of Army Aviation –

The June 1942 "Birth Certificate" was for Organic Air Observation for the Field Artillery; such was the June 6, 1942 Memorandum for the Commanding General, Ground Forces. No mention here as to Army Aviation. So, Colonel Ford became the First Director of Air Training. Technically, then, Hamilton Howze can be considered the first real Director of Army Aviation with the Army Aviation Division, G3, Headquarters, Department of the Army. But for the sake of simplicity and popular consumption, Army Aviation started June 6, 1942.

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The Scholarship Foundation

From The Treasurer

By COL Karen Lloyd, U.S. Army Retired

ust think how far the AAAA Scholarship program has come since its inception in 1963. It has provided \$7,548,875 in scholarships to 4,718 AAAA member related Soldiers, siblings, spouses, grandchildren, children and Families of the Fallen.



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While the volunteers have just finished voting on the 2018 Scholarship winners applications, 2017 is a great example of this amazing program that benefits every AAAA member or their loved one. In 2017, 288 Scholarships were awarded and \$474,000 was distributed. The selection rate was 59% which is pretty amazing when you think about it. If you look at the selection rate when the relationship of the applicant to the sponsor is considered, it is great to see that our process reaches out to all. The selection rate for enlisted applicants was 54%, for warrant officers it was 56%, for commissioned officers it was 61%, and for civilian applicants it was 58%.

We are fortunate that our board of governors and officers are all volunteers which reduces our expenses. Ably lead by BG (Ret.) Tom Konitzer, the leader-

ship travels at their own expense to two key meetings a year and they also have monthly meetings by teleconference to keep your Scholarship Foundation moving forward. AAAA has been especially supportive of the scholarship program since its inception. In 2017 AAAA invested \$132,000 to cover our expenses which resulted in, as I previously mentioned, a direct benefit to 288 AAAA families of \$474,000. Over the last ten years (2008-2017) the total AAAA investment in the Scholarship Foundation was \$1,771,527 which directly benefitted 2,334 families with \$3,675,296. Not a bad return on investment!

While today's total assets are around \$7M (I use the word "around" since 62% of our capital assets are in the stock market, which fluctuates daily); approximately \$5.5M of that makes up our permanently restricted funds which are established accounts that have been fully funded to produce scholarship awards every year in perpetuity. The remainder of our capital accounts are available to fund any scholarship. That brings me indirectly to matching funds and the big role chapters play in our scholarship program. In 2017, over \$85.7 K in match-

ing funds were provided to our chapters. These chapter scholarships are usually designated for applicants sponsored by their chapter members — an excellent benefit for every chapter's members and an opportunity for chapters to improve their scholarship selection rate. If you haven't checked into how active your chapter is with the scholarship program, you should consider that this could be an excellent time to get involved.

The AAA Scholarship Foundation continues to need your support. Whether it's donating through the Combined Federal Campaign or other work directed giving program, participating in chapter events that support scholarship efforts, voting the applicant files to determine the scholarship recipients, or serving at either the chapter or national level as a member of the Scholarship Board of Governors or committee member. There are lots of ways to get involved and the generosity of your time, resources, and talents will always be appreciated.

COL (Ret.) Karen Lloyd is the treasurer and finance committee chair of the Army Aviation Association of America Scholarship Foundation, Inc.



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AAAA Chapter Affairs

I greatly appreciate the support from MAJ Dustin Wilkie, the Prairie Soldier Chapter President for co-authoring and sharing this information with our membership.



The Prairie Soldier Chapter stood up in 2007 and continues its mission to support Aviation Soldiers and their families in the Nebraska Army National Guard.

Two Army Aviation Support Facilities (AASFs) located in Lincoln and Grand Island support units that include Head-quarters, Alpha and Delta Companies of the 1st Battalion, 376th Aviation Regiment; Bravo Company, 2-135th General Support Aviation Battalion (GSAB), Golf Company, 2-104th GSAB and supporting HHC, Delta and Echo Company detachments. Retirees represent service in legacy units such as the 1167th Maintenance Support Company, 1-167th Cavalry and 24th Medical Company. The Prairie Soldier Chapter is evolving to meet this diverse group of unit member needs.

Supporting the Mission

Currently soldiers have executed challenging demanding training this year, highlighted by a successful Maple Resolve 2018 Annual Training at Canadian Forces Base Wainwright, Canada. Currently, the 376th is conducting MEDEVAC backfill in Grafenwöhr and Hohenfels, Germany with the UH-72, a first for the security and support aircraft. B/2-135th GSAB will have crews supporting the Northern Strike Exercise as they begin pre-deployment training for an upcoming mobilization. G/2-104th is in the initial phases of planning for a mobilization as well. Additionally, aircrews in all assigned MDSs maintain their U.S. Forest Service "Red Card" certifications and routinely support in-state and neighbor states with wild land firefighting, most recently assisting Kansas this past spring. This past fall, NEARNG aircrews were some of the first from outside of Texas to arrive and assist Hurricane Harvey relief efforts, followed immediately by the Headquarters, 1-376th deploying via military airlift to Florida to support Hurricane Irma efforts, hours after the storm had passed. The Prairie Soldier Chapter is evolving to meet member and family needs that arise from this OPTEMPO, and tailor a vision to recognize and support their efforts.

Recognition and Chapter Activities

The Prairie Soldier Chapter has recognized Soldiers displaying excellence with induction into the Bronze Honorable Order of St. Michael, and is planning for additional recipients in the near future. A Soldier/NCO of the Quarter recognition



AAAA National President, BG (Ret.) Steve Mundt (center), presents the AAAA Category Chapter of the Year award to Prairie Soldier Chapter president, MAJ Dustin Wilkie, and chapter sponsored soldier, SGT Charlie Wilkins, on April 27, during the Army Aviation Mission Solutions Summit in Nashville, TN.

program has been started, and the chapter helps sponsor the Aviation Ball, a popular event that brings supported unit members together to celebrate and recognize accomplishments and build unit and family cohesion.

The Chapter has been aggressive in boosting chapter executive committee organization and activities, increasing chapter membership and active participation from members. The chapter routinely supports the annual Safety Day and unit golf tournaments and sent a Soldier to the AAAA Annual Summit, with an aim to boost interest in enlisted participation within the chapter. Increased chapter officer and member attendance at AAAA Annual Summit has been realized, and the Networking aspect of AAAA is proving powerful. They have developed a strategy to focus efforts on increasing chapter membership and supporting the AAAA Scholarship program and fundraising. The first event to fund raise for the scholarship program is a Fun Run 5-10K in Grand Island to be held this upcoming fall. Future events will be expanding to reach retirees and continue to build a fun environment for chapter members to gather.

Summary

The Prairie Soldier Chapter was recognized as the 2017 Chapter of the Year in the AAAA category. This is a great chapter that continues to support Army Aviation and its aviation families. They definitely embrace the four pillars of AAAA – Network, Recognition, Voice, and Support. Feel free to contact me if you need help for your chapter, Executive Board support, would like your chapter featured in *ARMY AVIATION* magazine or to obtain clarification of National procedures. I look forward to working with you and supporting AAAA.

LTC (Ret.) Jan S. Drabczuk AAAA VP for Chapter Affairs jan.drabczuk@quad-a.org



Order of St. Michael and Our Lady of Loreto **Inductees**

Pikes Peak Chapter



COL Craig Temmer, Counternarcotics Liaison to U.S. Northern Command and chapter vice president, inducts LTC Joshua Day (left) and CSM (Ret.) Terry Alflen (right) into the Bronze Honorable Order of St. Michael during the Aviation Ball in Centennial, Colorado on February 24. They were recognized for their contributions to Army Aviation - Day while serving as the Colorado State Army Aviation Officer and the High Altitude Army Aviation Training Site (HAATS) Commandant and Alflen for more than 25 years with the Colorado Army National Guard Aviation Command prior to his final assignment as command sergeant major of the 100th Missile Defense Brigade. Day will continue serving with the COARNG Fixed Wing Detachment.

Tennessee Valley Chapter



MAJ James S. Lawson is inducted into the Bronze Honorable Order of St. Michael by COL David A. Warnick, Project Manager, Joint Attack Munitions Systems (JAMS), on June 28 at Redstone Arsenal, AL. Lawson was recognized on the occasion of his change of duty for his support of Army Aviation while serving as the assistant product manager for the Joint Air-Ground Missile (JAGM) system, leading up to the program's successful milestone C decision. He is moving to Joint Base Langley-Eustis where he will serve as the assistant product manager for the Technology Applications Program Office.

AAAA Chapter News

Tennessee Valley Chapter Bass Tourney



More than 50 people attended the chapter sponsored 2018 Bob Vlasics Classic Bass Fishing Tournament on April 7 at Lake Guntersville, Alabama. The event included two-man boater division teams, kayakers' sponsors and volunteers. COL Shawn Prickett, Aviation and Missile Command chief of staff, presented awards and participated as an angler. This year the Pacific Architects and Engineers, the National Whitetail Warrior Project and the Screaming Eagle Aviation Association partnered to sponsor wounded warriors to fish in the tournament. Ken Mott (left) and George Kunkle won the boater division with a largemouth bass weighing 10.66, narrowly edging the second place team of John and Kevin Chandler; in third place and the Boeing Big Bass winners were **George Schussler** and Michael Baughman; Eric Wainwright and Jim Slaughter took fourth; and Todd Vance and Will Ferguson placed fifth. In the kayak division, Matt Delaplane won with a 19-inch bass. Derek Taylor placed second and Mitch Delk took third. Tournament sponsors included Tennessee Valley Chapter AAAA, Avion, BAE, Boeing, Boenker Hill, Laura and Jack Bequette, National Whitetail Warrior Project, PAE, Parker, Quantitech, MSSI, Big Oh's and the Screaming Eagle Aviation Association.

101CAB NCO Wins Hole-In-One Prize at Air **Assault Chapter Golf Tourney**



On August 2 during the 3rd quarter Air Assault Chapter golf event at Cole Park Golf Course, Fort Campbell, KY, SSG Ethan Benson scored a hole-in-one on the course's par three seventh hole. As in previous years, James Corlew Chevrolet offered the hole-in-one grand prize, a new Chevrolet truck which had never been awarded - until now. Pictured are Greg Petrik, Night Stalker Association President; Brandy Benson holding Ander Benson; Benson; Dave Norman, Cole Park golf pro and COL (Ret.) Hawk Ruth, chapter president. Benson is assigned to B Troop, 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, 101st Combat Aviation Brigade.

AAAA Membership By CW5 (Ret.) Dave Cooper

The Membership Corner - Seaman to Soldier

rmy Aviation attracts Soldiers
from diverse backgrounds and
experiences. The commander of
Company G, 2nd Battalion, 238th Aviation
Regiment is no exception.

In 2001 as a 21-year-old college student Nigel realized that he wasn't where he wanted to be. He described hanging out with the wrong crowd and realizing that the life style he was leading was not going to get him to his life goals. Nigel went to the U.S. Navy recruiter in Carson City, NV with the goal of living and working by the beach. The recruiter was more than happy to accommodate the request and in less than 4 hours Seaman Harrison was in the Navy! He became a Damage Controlman concerned with firefighting, flooding, and chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) issues. He was assigned to the USS Vicksburg, CG-69 a Ticonderoga-class Guided Missile Cruiser as part of the JFK Battle Group.

Nigel completed two separate deployments. On his second he was part of a search and seizure team doing inspections of super tankers at sea armed with his trusty 9mm. As the lower enlisted sailor he was assigned the task of searching the lower decks of the ships. He described it this way, "Water up to my knees, loud machinery and exposed wiring. I realized this was now my standard if I'm having a good day or not." He calls this a life calibration event; he completed his Navy service in 2005 and took a 2-½ year break from military life. Nigel married Alyssa and they had their first son. The family moved back to Carson City where he worked for his father-in-law in the excavation business.

He decided to go back to college and finish his degree in construction management; using his GI Bill he attended Western Nevada College. As Nigel was finishing his degree he began to miss the military. His father-in-law was a former crew chief in the National Guard and talked to him about it. Nigel joined the Guard and went to Officer Candidate School. He figured he would be branched Engineer due to his background; however a mentor at OCS discussed flight school with him and how it would be a good fit. He put in his packet, was boarded and selected. By now he and Alyssa had 4 children. He graduated flight school in 2012 qualified in UH-60 A/Ls.

In 2013 LT Harrison deployed to Afghanistan flying MEDEVAC out of Herat. He was very happy to report that



The Harrison children: (I to r) Beckham with baby Crew, George (green shirt) Jack (suit), Scarlett (a.k.a. The Girl), and Halen with Morgan on his shoulders.

they mostly did routine patient transfers; meaning that few U.S. and Allied Soldiers in their area of responsibility were being wounded. However, there was one mission that affected him. They picked up three patients from an improvised explosive device (IED) attack. When the wounded were loaded he could clearly hear their screams of pain above the din of the engines, rotors, and transmission. Those agonizing screams made a deep impression on him and his dedication to MEDEVAC. "We have top notch medics," he said. "About 90% of them are with either the fire department or the local ambulance service."

After redeployment Nigel was hired at his alma mater as a professor in the Construction Management department. He teaches 5 classes each week including on-line classes.

He is very proud of Company \bar{G} and as the commander looks forward to their next deployment. He described how hard the unit trains to be ready for their next call to duty, whether over-seas or somewhere in the western U.S.



Jeff Steinley

New AAAA Lifetime Members-July **Aviation Center Chapter** CW4 John D. Edmunds, Ret. **Central Florida Chapter** Devin Lyders **Corpus Christi Chapter** COL Gail Atkins

Delaware Valley Chapter LTC Lindsey Halter Lonestar Chapter

CW2 Richard Coyle **Washington-Potomac** Chapter William Baker

New AAAA Members-July Battle Born Chapter

COL Eric Folkestad

CPT Nigel Harrison Cedar Rapids Chapter CW4 Joshua Runyan **MacArthur Chapter** CSM Nicky Peppe

Mount Rainier Chapter CPT Michael Wilke **Oregon Trail Chapter** SPC Jerimiah P. Petzoldt Voodoo Chapter

SPC Jason Brosset PFC Devin James SPC Carvin Johnson SPC William Miley SPC Edward Williams

Winged Warriors Chapter CW3 David Forster

New AAAA Lifetime Members-August

Air Assault Chapter CW3 Geoffrey Savage **Central Florida Chapter** CW4 John Wyatt, Jr.

Iron Mike Chapter

CW4 Stormy M. Ripley, Ret. **Old Tucson Chapter** CPT Ben A. Ramos **Tennessee Valley Chapter**

Richard C. McCann **Washington-Potomac** Chapter

LTC Rogers Stinson

New AAAA Members-August

Air Assault Chapter CW2 Matthew John Black SGT David Waters **Arizona Chapter** LTC James A. Sink **Badger Chapter** CW5 David M. O'Brien SFC Kyle J. Lindemer Cedar Rapids Chapter CW4 Joshua Runyan **Central Florida Chapter** PV2 Stanley Auredy **Connecticut Chapter** SPC Jeremy D. Slen Flint Hills Chapter

Zachary Donald Wilkerson Flying Gator Chapter PV2 Devon M. Mosteller **Gold Standard Chapter** CW4 Jason Boren **Greater Atlanta Chapter** PV2 Dustin J. Ellsberry

Griffin Chapter CPT Patrick Towery Jimmy Doolittle Chapter PV2 Michael Q. Hand **Lonestar Chapter**

PFC Joshua D. McKerley PV2 Logan E. Selten **Mount Rainier Chapter** SGT Raj B. Chettri PFC Dalton T. Fleming

Narragansett Bay Chapter | CW3 Eric Nilson

| SGT Kyle Newman North Star Chapter

SGT Brooks A. Moldestad WO1 Charles P. Nord CW3 Jennifer A. Otremba SPC Alexander J. Paul SPC Kort M. Plantenberg SGT Eric M. Rasmussen SFC Jeremy R. Reem WO1 Seth D. Reiman SGT Richard B. Rice, II SPC Angela S. Rodriguez CW2 James A. Rogers, Jr.

SPC Robert A. Scott, II SGT Travis D. Sievek SGT Nicole J. Westbrock SGT Stuart E. Whitney

MAJ Bernard L. Williamson SGT Peter J. Erickson SSG Cody John Gallmeier

CW2 Anthony D. Geier CPL Tyrell B. Hansen SGT Derek J. Hanson SPC Alexander W. Holl

CPT Katrina R. Hopkins SPC Joshua J. Huffman 1LT Aaron M. Johnson

SSG Jack I. Koski SPC Jonathan B. Lammert SPC Daniel L. Lee

SSG Adam C. Lish SGT Jessica M. McGovern SGT Jason W. Abbott

SGT Nicholas L. Arrigoni SPC Scarlett M. Blaeser PV2 Mikaela Breeggemann

LTC Richard G. Brummond SPC Sean M. Bruns CPL William C. Brutger CPL Anthony T. Chu

SGT Bradley G. Deraas SPC Stephén J. Doblar

Pikes Peak Chapter PV2 Christopher Ledesma Sinai Chapter

CW3 Chestlee Saikemal **Tennessee Valley Chapter** Charles L. Johnson Monna L. Mosser

Tami R. Santoro Winged Warriors Chapter SSG Reggie Morris SGT Abiel Torres

Wright Brothers Chapter PFC Trevour W. Swihart

LOST AAAA Members

Help AAAA locate a member from this lost list and receive a FREE one month extension to your membership! 1LT Jillian Marie O'Hara PV2 Edgar G. Lopez CW2 Devon Pinnegar W01 Mikael Barrow SSG Joshua Phillips MAJ Nathaniel A. Plunkett SSG Douglas M. Gregory LTC Spencer M. Anderson 1SG Mark Mierta Scarlett Frost-Hill Richard B. Steward COL Helmut A. Roeder, Ret. SFC Robert A. Wallace PFC Timothy Floyd WO1 Aaron Connors CW5 John D. Hescott CW3 William A. Carroll MAJ Erin E. Braswell 1SG Christopher Stewart SSG Robert N. Cuellar CW4 Carlos Cortez, Ret. CW3 Jack Satterfield, Ret. CPT Travis James Payne PV2 Tanner L. Brown SFC Jennifer Churchill LTC Todd Loughney MAJ Lukasz Derda COL Brian Hughes CW5 Matt Fitter, USAR LTC David Bunker

CPT Bonnie Hutchinson CW3 Christian A. Ramirez SFC Grant S. Schacht CW3 Scott W. Parker MAJ Stacy J. Rostorfer SPC Shelton T. Shia Mrs. Laura L. Bequette CW4 Shawn Paris CW4 Christopher M. Simeone, Ret. John A. White CW4 Paul A. Kahler MAJ Clovis Jones, Jr. Ret. SSG Victor D. M.Perez Andrew Rodriguez COL Michael Harlan CW5 William G. French, II SPC Mark A. Colbert, Jr. 1SG Eric S. Fowler 1SG Nathan D. Mullins, Sr. **CPT Charles Hill** Matt Gates CW4 Paul I. McNeill CW5 Eric M. Oleson, Ret. LTC Raymond E. Meadows SSG Bradley R. Fuller MAJ Darrell Holden MAJ Chad Monroe WO1 Trisha D. Baker MAJ William T. Kuebler Ted Briggs 1LT Robert Sieman 1SG Jin Hoh CW2 Derek C. Williams SGT Kevin C. Ross 1LT Kurt N. Jones MAJ Delvin M. Goode SGT Avery C. Josey 2LT Clayton B.Jaksha SPC Daniel Orozco Daeyong Lee CPT Matthew Taylor Leigh Sargent 1LT Stephanie Eldridge CW5 Donald L. Hempel, Ret.

Of the awards he's been presented CPT Harrison is most proud of the German Armed Forces Achievement Badge (Gold). The course was held in Las Vegas, NV. He was the oldest Soldier by far to compete and he was very successful. He said of AAAA, that the magazine and the networking are the best part of the organization. Then he added, "Followed closely by the scholarship. I have nothing but respect for the AAAA organization." Nigel and his wife Alyssa now have seven children (scholarships might come in handy!). His code-name for his wife is Wonder Woman! She home schools the kids and cooks all meals from scratch! He said, "She is truly amazing."

CPT Nigel Harrison feels a close bond to his Soldiers and their Families. Sounds a lot like AAAA's mission statement!

> CW5 (Ret.) Dave Cooper AAAA Vice President for Membership

Editor's Note: This is Dave's final article as Vice President for Membership. We at ARMYAVIATION magazine and the entire AAAA National staff thank Dave for his dedication and support and wish him and his wife, Mary, all the best.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 2018

- U.S. Army Warrant Officers Association 45th 5-7 Annual Meeting of the Members, Washington, DC
- AAAA National Executive Board and Scholarship Foundation Board of Governors Meetings, Washington, DC
- 8-10 AUSA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC
- 24-25 AAAA Luther G. Jones Army Aviation Depot Forum, Corpus Christi, TX
- 25-26 AHS XVIII HELMOT (Helicopter Military Operations Technology) Meeting, Hampton Roads, VA 30-2 Nov MOAA Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ

NOVEMBER 2018

- AAAA Joseph P. Cribbins Aviation Product Sustainment Symposium, Huntsville, AL
- 15-16 AAAA Aircraft Survivability Equipment Symposium, Huntsville, AL



AAAA **Awards**



Order of St. Michael Inductees

Silver

CW5 Teresa Burgess
COL Clair A. Gill
CW4 Daniel Dragon
CW5 Chad M. Butters, Ret.
LTC Evan J. Brown
SGM Stephen L. Mackey
CW4 Jesse A. Ashhurst
CW4 Chad R. Carmichael
COL Allan H. Lanceta
COL Jong H. Lee
COL Michael J. Best
COL Daniel S. Mettling
COL Paul A. Cravey
COL Phillip C. Baker
CSM Lucio DeAnda

CW4 Eric Collier, Ret. COL Richard B. Debany COL Jeffrey Holliday

Bronze

CW4 Eric Bolden CW4 Clifford Rakes MAJ Christopher Duncan SFC Jon DesRosiers MSG William Million SFC Bryon Welch SFC Tylor Wheeler MAJ James S. Lawson COL William F. O'Neal, Ret.1 CW3 Antaner Carbaial Jr. MAJ Sean T. Smith CW4 Heather E. Oglesby CW4 John Cattilini, Ret. CW4 Del Hardiman, Ret. CW4 Christopher Nauer, Ret. CW2 Miguel Carrosquilla, Ret. CW4 John Dahmer, Ret. CW4 Mike McDonald, Ret. CW4 Lyle Real, Ret. CW4 Steven D. Fara CW3 David E. Forster 1SG Michael S. Blaylock CW5 Paul Zenchenko CW4 Patrick A. Azan

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Honorable Knight Inductees

CPT Clyde J. Daines CPT Robert J. Gentry Glenn S. Wolf COL Leslie A. Rowley

Our Lady of Loreto Inductees

Jocelyn K. Cook Paola Brana Emily Brainard Tracy N. Schreurs Elizabeth Daniels Logan Nelson Pam Lane Julie Kuetemeyer

Soldier of the Month

SGT Raj B. Chettri Mount Rainier Chapter June 2018

PFC Dalton T.G. Fleming Mount Rainier Chapter June 2018

SPC Jerimiah P. Petzoldt Oregon Trail Chapter July 2018

In Memorium

COL Charles P. Harmon, Ret. COL Joseph A. Hoecherl LTG Max W. Noah, Ret. SSG William E. Siedman, Ret. MAJ Jackson C. Stevens, Ret.

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With 11 awards currently open, this is a great opportunity to recognize all of your outstanding Army Aviation individuals and Units.

Criteria sheets and nomination forms are posted on each award type. You may view past award winners' nominations to assist you with creating your own nomination. You may submit more than one person/unit for each award.

AAAA National Awards

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- James H. McClellan Aviation Safety
- Henry Q. Dunn Crew Chief of the Year
- Army Aviation Soldier of the Year
- Rodney J.T. Yano NCO of the Year
- Michael J. Novosel Army Aviator of the Year
- Robert M. Leich Award
- Army Reserve Aviation Unit of the Year
- John J. Stanko Army National Guard Aviation Unit of the Year
- Active Army Aviation Unit of the Year
- Outstanding Army Aviation Unit of the Year

Deadline for Nominations - January 1, 2019

Information for submitting nominations is available on our website: **quad-a.orq**



The Army Aviation Association of America

2018 Donald F. Luce Depot Maintenance Artisan Award



Sergeant Cameron P. Renth Company F, Task Force 1-160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) Fort Campbell, Kentucky

The work that SGT Cameron P. Renth has accomplished over the past year as an Airframe Structural Repairer in the Company Fallied shops platoon is without compare and makes him the most sought after master of his craft in Army Special Operations Aviation. His company is a rapidly deployable Special Operations Task Force with many non-standard or low density aircraft modifications that require sheet metal and airframe skills far beyond the range of a typical aviation maintenance company worker. As a result, his duties require him to conduct numerous intermediate to depot level repairs and since arriving to his battalion four years ago he has provided world class structural airframe repair expertise. Within the last year, SGT Renth conducted over 100 Maintenance Engineering Calls (MECs) on more than 10 varieties of MEC, four separate depot level damage repairs (two of which resulted from battle damage and two from serious aircraft accidents), and countless unit level repairs while assisting others in his shop. Additionally, he deployed in support of Operation Inherent Resolve and participated on six temporary duty training exercises. SGT Renth's accomplishments and contributions clearly identify him as the 2018 AAAA Donald F. Luce Depot Maintenance Artisan of the Year.

FALLEN HERC

AAAA is saddened to announce the recent loss of the following Aviation Soldier.

Department of Defense announced the death of a Soldier who was supporting Operation Inherent Resolve.



CW3 Galvin

CW3 Taylor James Galvin, 34, from Spokane, Washington, died Aug. 19, 2018, in Baghdad, Iraq, as a result of injuries sustained when his helicopter crashed in Sinjar, Nineveh Province, Iraq. He was assigned to Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne), Fort Campbell, KY.

According to an Army spokesman, the aircraft was conducting a partnered counterterrorism mission against the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria; the crash was not the result of enemy fire and the incident is under investigation.

May he rest in peace.

(Information from Defense Department news releases and other media sources.)

AAAA Family Forum By Judy Konitzer

I had the pleasure of meeting Erica McMannes at this year's AAAA Summit in Nashville when she and Amanda Crowe, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, presented a Spouse Professional Session. Erica was kind enough to follow up and share her perspectives and I feel sage advice about opportunities for spousal virtual employment.

Judy

As the Virtual Workforce Rises... So Do Opportunities For Military Spouses By Erica McMannes

ore and more military spouses are choosing to take the leap into remote work.

From accounting to content strategy to software development, virtual work poses an opportunity for military spouses who want a career that will move with them, yet still align with their professional goals and background. It's arguable that military spouses are the original digital nomads. Forced to merge jobs or careers with relocations every 2-3 years for decades, they face two troubling concerns: unemployment and underemployment.

On average, a military family will move 8 to 12 times over a 20-year career. Often, remote and overseas duty stations compound the problem due to local hiring restrictions or status of forces agreements (SOFA). Thankfully, with a virtual workforce growing strong and remote work capabilities like never before, virtual employment opportunities for military spouses are on the rise. It is estimated that half of the workforce will work remotely by 2020 at least part-time. So let's be sure the community is prepared to take advantage of these advances, and military spouses are employed with companies and corporations across the globe.

Defining Virtual Work

Long gone are the days of telework or work-from-home being used to vaguely describe non-traditional work often limited to call center opportunities or multi-level marketing organizations. In the simplest of terms, virtual work is being employed by a company but not working on site. Virtual work career opportunities in all industries are starting to emerge at a high rate and military spouses are prime candidates.

Often struggling to maintain employment in local communities, professional skill sets being put to use on virtual teams provide new solutions for unemployed spouses or even veterans. With the right communication, technology, goals, and strategies in place, full-time and part-time virtual team members are providing companies across the globe with new, diverse talent, higher retention rates, and cost- effective solutions.

Finding Career Oriented, Legit Virtual Work Opportunities

Virtual work is becoming easier to find on human resource and employment websites, but it's still not always easy to navigate through it all and the many interpretations of virtual work



Erica McMannes(right) and her MadSkills cofounder, Liza Rodewald, work and strategize together 99.99% of the time. They were able to meet up in D.C. recently for a one-day strategy session before their PCS moves to Florida and Hawaii.

roles. Networking and job searches on LinkedIn can turn up some great results. Connecting with your local Military Spouse Professional Network (Hiring Our Heroes/U.S. Chamber of Commerce) chapter can offer up ready-made employer relationships, some of which are virtual work focused. There are also specific companies, like MadSkills, dedicated to creating virtual teams for companies with professionally skilled military spouse talent.

Matching Your Skill Sets With The Virtual Job Search

The first step to finding virtual work is knowing what you want to do and what you're qualified to do. It can be as simple as using Google to find skills that transfer well into virtual jobs like bookkeepers, content writers, graphic designers, social media managers, project managers, and web developers. If you don't have previous work experience, expertise, or those hard skills that easily convert, then invest some time in free open learning communities to learn about options like virtual assistance, coding, design, and more.

A few great places to start include Skillshare, Coursera, Udemy, and EdX. Large firms like Hubspot and Salesforce also offer incredible free training programs for the military connected community to skill up within their programs and position well for virtual employment.



Volunteer Experience Counts

How do family readiness group (FRG) service and other volunteer experiences come into play? It's all about how you define the experience. Fundraising roles teach cold calling, sales process, community networking, and articulation of goals, values, and mission. Social coordinating roles put spouses in group management, event management, and logistic scenarios daily. Cool head and clear thoughts in crisis? It shows level headed thought processing to crisis and validates your ability to draw a team together, strategize a solution, and act on it. So whether you have a strong corporate background or years of solid volunteer experience, you can make it work!

Creating a Thriving Work-From-Home Environment

It's all about routine and expectations. Create a routine and stick to it. Have a set schedule for your working hours and have a designated workspace. Pick a place to go specifically for work (somewhere with a physical door is ideal), and designate it as your "office." If you're cramped for space, invest in a room divider to create a remote workstation in a corner of your kitchen, bedroom, or living room. The best virtual team members also embrace technology and are open to learning the platforms necessary for communication, productivity, time tracking, and internal processes that make the company work. Last, but not least, communication! Communication is critical in virtual team environments so always be prepared to ask for any clarification needed to get the job done.

If you are interested in learning more about virtual work as a military spouse or looking to build a virtual team of military spouse talent for your company, you can reach MadSkills at info@hiremadskills.com.

Erica McMannes is Co-founder and COO of HireMadSkills, Inc. (MadSkills). She and spouse MAJ(P) McMannes with their two children have recently been transferred to Tampa, Florida.

Judy Konitzer is the Family Forum editor for ARMY AVIATION; questions and suggestions can be directed to her at judy@quad-a.org.



Military Spouses Professional License and Credential Finder Portal

A professional license and credential finder portal, www.Veterans.gov/milspouses, has been created by the Department of Labor for military spouses. It has an interactive map showing if a license can be used temporarily, whether the process of getting a new license could be expedited, and other employment resources.

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USASOAC Orders 4 MH-47G and Engineering Support Services



The Boeing Co., Ridley Park, PA, was awarded a \$131,142,877 modification to contract W91215-16-G-0001 for the procurement of four MH-47G Block II aircraft; work will be performed in Ridley Park, with an estimated completion date of June 29, 2020. An initial order of eight new-build MH-47Gs was completed in 2015. These first four helicopters represent a Block II production run expected to run into late 2020. Boeing also was awarded a maximum \$264,000,000 indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity contract for engineering support services for the MH-47 helicopter in support of U.S. Special Operations Command. This requirement will furnish all labor, services, personnel, data, transportation, equipment, facilities and materials required to accomplish the work and perform engineering tasks. Contract funds will not expire at the end of the current fiscal year. This contract has a five-year ordering period; the majority of the work will be performed in Ridley Park.

CESI to Develop Simulated Shoulder-Fired Missile Launcher

In early July, 2018 the Army inked a \$500,000 contract with Orlando, Florida-based Cole Engineering Services to de-



velop a prototype physical device soldiers will carry during training that simulates a shoulder-fired missile. The goal is to provide training for pilots and crewmembers in dealing with this type of threat and real-time performance data points, such as casualty assessments. The device will interface through a network, providing its location and orientation on the training battlefield. When the soldier engages the aircraft with it, it will trans-

mit that information to the database, which will also be tracking the aircraft according to a statement by Virginia-based National Security Technology Accelerator. NSTXL is a consortium that manages the Army's Training and Readiness Accelerator solicitations and will assist Cole Engineering Services as it develops the prototype to completion.

Contracts - (From various sources. An "*" by a company name indicates a small business contract)

Armtec Countermeasures Co., Coachella, CA, was awarded a \$14,837,452 modification to contract W52P1J-15-C-0005 for infrared countermeasures flares; work will be performed in Camden, AZ, with an estimated completion date of Oct. 31, 2019.

AeroVironment Inc.,* Simi Valley, CA, was awarded an \$11,511,473 modification to contract W31P4Q-17-C-0193 for hardware in support of Switchblade production; work will be performed in Simi Valley, CA, with an estimated completion date of Sept. 30, 2020.

The Boeing Co., Ridley Park, PA, was awarded a \$181,253,232 firm-fixed-price contract for procurement of up to 156 Multi-Year II Block I configured CH-47F Chinook helicopters; work locations and funding will be determined with each order, with an estimated completion date of Dec. 31, 2022.

Erickson Helicopters Inc., Portland, OR, has been awarded task order HTC711-18-F-R045, under their firm-fixed price, indefinite-delivery/ indefinite-quantity contract HTC711-17-D-R009. The task order, valued at \$20,432,020, provides rotary wing services for Special Operations Command Africa from Arlit, Niger, to various points throughout Africa; performance is from August 2018 through June 15, 2019.

Lockheed Martin Corp., Orlando, FL, was awarded a \$288,347,355 modification to domestic and foreign military sales (United Arab Emirates) contract W52P1J-17-D-0043 for Modernized Target Acquisition Designation Sight/ Pilot Night Vision Sensor Systems, subcomponent production, and technical services for the Apache attack helicopter; work will be performed in Orlando, with an estimated completion date of Dec. 31, 2021.

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AAAA Legislative Report

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Congressional Progress

Could there be such a thing as progress in Congress? At the time of this writing it appears so with productive movement on the FY19 Defense Authorization Bill (NDAA) and Defense Appropriations Bill. Much will be at stake when this article hits your mailbox in September near the end of fiscal year 18. Both the House and Senate will be back in session and only one month to go until November elections that could result in significant policy changes for DoD and Army Aviation. Much of that depends on which political parties control the House and Senate. Regardless of what happens on the evening of 2 November, the GOP will control both chambers through mid-January when the new Congress takes office. That is the ultimate deadline on passing the two pieces of FY19 defense legislation. As explained here many times, the goal is to get the job done before the end of the fiscal year (30 September) so we are not thrust into a Continuing Resolution situation. Recently the norm has been a Defense "Authorization" bill before the December holiday break followed by a Defense "Appropriations" bill 4-6 months later. Should the GOP lose the House or Senate in November and these Defense bills have not yet passed before the new Congress takes over in January, their passage will be contentious and uncertain.

Fortunately, the legislation seems to be tracking in the right direction for on-time passage for one or both bills. The House and Senate Armed Services committee completed their "Conference" negotiations for each of their versions of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) on July 20th. Both chambers expect to pass the final FY19 NDAA before the end of the fiscal year in September. The House will certainly accomplish their passage and while legislation often stalls in the Senate, it's anticipated that this year the Senate will

pass the final NDAA due to the fact that this could be Senator McCain's last NDAA and the fact that the month-long August recess for the Senate was cancelled. Of course, it's important to remember that there are other prevailing issues that get in the way of progress with defense legislation. Continued controversy on border wall funding and impending Senate hearings on Trump's new Supreme Court nomination are among the top issues that could distract law makers from getting defense legislation completed on time.

As explained in the past, the House and Senate appropriators are last to codify the annual Defense Appropriations bill. Last month we reported that the House finalized their version of the FY19 defense spending bill, but that the Senate Appropriations Committee - Defense (SAC-D) had yet to even provide their version. Progress occurred in late June with the SAC-D approving \$675B for the DoD which is consistent with the same number that the HAC-D approved on in the House. Now the full Senate must approve their version before differences can be negotiated ("conferenced") which will finalize the FY19 defense spending bill. While we are optimistic that the FY19 Defense Authorization bill will be passed before the end of September, it's unlikely that Congress will get the FY19 Defense Appropriations bill done before the fiscal year begins on 1 Oct.... thus Continuing Resolution again!

Set Your Google Alerts for the Mid Term Elections

For those aspiring politicos out there, set your Google alerts to watch key races as we move toward November. The following races could directly impact Army Aviation. Rep Martha Roby (AL-2) won her primary in Alabama in June, but did not get 50% of the vote so she had a runoff with the #2 Republican candidate, Bobby Bright. Roby, who sits on the HAC-D, beat Bright in the July runoff to advance to the general in November against the Democratic challenger Tabitha Risner. Rep Mo Brooks (AL-5) who represents Huntsville and Army Aviation's acquisition nucleus and sits on the House Armed Services Committee (HASC) will face Democratic challenger Peter Joffrion. Army Aviation has deep industrial interests in several states to include Arizona that has one of the most interesting Senate races in 2018. Sen Jeff Flake is retiring, and a handful of Republicans and Democrats are vying for the seat. The two top polling candidates at the time of this writing are two current sitting House Member:s Martha McSally (R-2) and Kyrsten Sinema (D-9). McSally, a former veteran and current HASC Member and Sinema, a moderate Democrat, have both demonstrated support for a strong Defense Department. AAAA and our uniformed Army Aviation remain non-partisan in support for any candidate, but we certainly favor folks who will support a strong defense and funding for Army Aviation.

Army Futures Command lands in Texas

The flag pole for AFC has been planted in Austin, Texas. What does this mean for our enterprise from a Congressional perspective? Short answer is "a lot." The Army Aviation enterprise gains from strong Congressional representation such as Sen. Ted Cruz (SASC Member), HASC Chairman Mac Thornberry, and HAC-D Chairman Kay Granger. The Future Vertical Lift (FVL) Cross Functional Team (CFT) plants their flag in Huntsville; appropriate considering that is the location of our acquisition center and Congressionally represented by Rep Mo Brooks, already mentioned being on the HASC and Senator Richard Shelby who Chairs the SAC-D.



Changes of Command/ Responsibility

USAREC Welcomes Muth and Gavia



MG Frank M. Muth accepts the U.S. Army Recruiting Command colors from GEN Stephen J. Townsend, commanding general of U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, during a change of command and transfer of responsibility ceremony July 25, 2018 at Fort Knox, KY. Pictured (left to right) are Muth, CSM Tabitha A. Gavia (partially hidden), incoming command sergeant major, Townsend, CSM Anthony T. Stoneburg (partially hidden), outgoing command sergeant major, and MG Jeffrey J. Snow, outgoing commanding general.

Shawley Assumes Command of ARAC



Army Reserve MG Scottie D. Carpenter (center), deputy commanding general, U.S. Army Reserve Command, passes the unit colors to BG Jami C. Shawley, the incoming commanding general of the Army Reserve Aviation Command, during a combined change of command and change of responsibility ceremony held on Brooks Field, July 8, 2018, at Fort Knox, KY. Immediately preceding the change of command, CSM JamesPeter M. Matthews relinquished responsibility of the ARAC to CSM Judd G. Mooso (left). Outgoing commander, BG Scott Morcomb (right) moves on to his next assignment at U.S. Army Central (ARCENT).

FY18 Brigadier General, Army Competitive Category, Promotion Selection Board.

AAAA congratulates the following aviation colonels who were selected for promotion:



COL John D. Kline, Deputy Commander, (Support), 7th Infantry Division, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA;



COL Michael C. McCurry II, Deputy Commander (Support), 2d Infantry Division (Combined), Eighth Army, Republic of Korea; and



COL Allan M. Pepin, Commander, U.S. Army Special Operations Aviation Command (USASOAC), Fort Bragg, NC.

Atkins Takes Command at CCAD



MG Douglas Gabram (center), commander, Army Aviation and Missile Command, passes the Corpus Christi Army Depot (CCAD) colors to COL Gail Atkins during a change of command ceremony at the depot, July 20, 2018. Atkins replaced COL Allan Lanceta, who served as CCAD commander for 24 months, and retired in a follow-on ceremony after 27 years of military service.

36ECAB Welcomes MacGregor



MG Samuel L. Henry, commander, 36th Infantry Division, passes the brigade colors to COL Joanne MacGregor, incoming commander, 36th Expeditionary Combat Aviation Brigade, during a change of command ceremony, Austin, Texas, July 14, 2018. MacGregor takes over from COL Ronald W. Burkett II.

Transfer of Authority 1ACB, 4CAB Conduct TOA





COL Phillip Baker (left), commander of the 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, out of Fort Hood, TX, and COL Scott Gallaway (right), commander of the 4th Combat Aviation Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, out of Fort Carson, CO, address Soldiers and attendees during a transfer of authority ceremony in Illesheim, Germany on July 2, 2018. 1ACB relinquished mission responsibility in support of Atlantic Resolve to the 4CAB.

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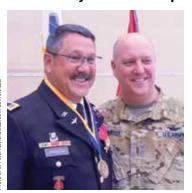
The Wings Club Honors Brady



Medal of Honor recipient, MG (Ret.) Patrick Henry Brady, was presented the Outstanding Aviator Award by The Wings Club Foundation at their annual meeting in New York City. Each March, at the Annual Meeting, the Wings Club Foundation, in cooperation with the International Aviation Womens Association, presents the Outstanding Aviator Award "to recognize airmen and airwomen for their contributions to aviation/or security and serve as leadership role models." Former Army Aviation Branch Chief MG (Ret.) Carl McNair provided comments prior to the presentation. Both Brady and McNair are Army Aviation Hall of Fame inductees.

Retirements

29th CAB Says Farewell to Spescia



CW5 Gino S. Spescia is congratulated by brigade aviation maintenance officer, CW5 Albert B. Isennock, following Spescia's retirement ceremony on May 6, 2018 at Weide Army Heliport on Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD. Spescia retired after 41 years of Army Aviation service including his fi-

nal deployment as command chief warrant officer of the 29th Combat Aviation Brigade in 2017.

FY 2018 Sergeant First Class Selection Board Results

The fiscal year 2018 sergeant first class Regular Army (RA) and Army Reserve Active Guard Reserve (AGR) Sergeant First Class (SFC) promotion board results were released July 19, 2018. AAAA congratulates the following 350 Aviation staff sergeants on their selection.

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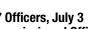
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PV2 Alek Michael Adair PV2 Austin Wright Doswell PV2 David Arevalo Contreras PV2 Trevor Cole Lavender PFC Cody James Matlock PV2 Jeremy Malik Moody

Aircraft Powertrain Repairer (15D)

Class 004-18

PV2 Haden H. Helveston - DG PV2 Ashley Marie Chrisman PV2 Danny Guzman



PV2 Dakota Allen Lam PV2 Okang R. McLaughlin PV2 Anthony James Neville PV2 Christian D. Santiagosantiago PV2 Matthew Shane Spinks PV2 Austin Mikell Tallent PV2 Tyler James Tickle SPC Jayson Torres PV2 Donavon J. Vanenk PV2 Michael Gaven West

Aircraft Electrician (15F) Class 007-18

PV2 Jeremy Jacob Wells - DG PFC Charles Philip Bassett, Jr. PV2 Terry Lee Brunner, Jr. SGT Ammanda Rae Deborer Class 008-18

PFC Alek Lynn Hile - DG PV2 Jacob Albert Giles SPC Timothy Allen Osborne PV2 Nicholas James Plumley

Aircraft Structural Repairer (15G) Class 004-18

PV2 Jennifer A. Queen – DG PV2 Alicia Rae Austgen PV2 Sebastian Thomas Barron SPC Christos J. Galanopoulos PV2 Tyler Wade Jones PV2 Rvan Andrew Lane PV2 Brandon Lee Livington PV2 Matthew Scott Massey PFC Kaden Leon Moffat SPC Christopher T. Morris SPC Aleksander Pierce PFC Nevada Shade Rains PV2 Matthew Sygman Sloan PV2 Hunter James Sterner PV2 Trevor Michael Walker

Aircraft Pneudraulics Repairer (15H) Class 005-18

PV2 Hazel D. Wesson - DG PV2 Bradley C R. Chaney SPC Bryan John Lott PV2 Cameron Eli Shiverick SPC Philip James Smith SPC John David Timmer PV2 Michael A.Ulrichhaycock PV2 Jamal Zefem Winters

Class 502-18

PFC Damien Burnell James SPC Jason Thomas Jenkins PV2 Nicholas J. Stephens SSG Thomas Williamson

Avionics Mechanic (15N) Class 005-18

SPC Kody B. Bickerstaff - DG PFC Joseph Dalton Bahrik PV2 Dujuan D. Gilbert, Jr.

SGT Michael Derek Marine PFC Patrick Thomas Rutledge PV2 Moises Jonathan Valdez SPC Nathan Daniel Verhey Class 006-18

PFC Jeremy C. Rodgers – DG PV2 Isaiah Michael Figueras PFC Kathrvn Breanna Goff PFC Alexis Monae Harvey PV2 Kenneth McKay Noall PV2 Vincent Pepe PV2 Ramon Luis Rivera PV2 Haley Renee Speagle

Aviation Operations Specialist (15P) Class 18-029P

SPC Kenneth Salced PV2 Brandyn Brooks PV2 Tavian Washington **PVT James Ford** PVT Colleen Anderson **PVT Miranda Grosos** PVT Ting-yu Chiu PVT Lajarius Anthony PVT Selena Rojasreal Class 18-030P

SGT Alma Ramirez SPC Javier Resto PV2 Shakedria Burton PV2 Christopher Roberson PVT Joshua Burrell PVT Edgar Diaz-delvalle PVT Ryan Peluso PVT Daguawn Taylor PVT Darion Vinson

Air Traffic Control Operators (15Q) Class 18-013Q

SPC Jonathan Espitia PFC Christian Ramos PV2 Eric Brown PV2 Micheal Garcia PV2 Devin Young PVT Isabella Calalang PVT Jordan Hill PVT Tyler Martin PVT Tyrell Richardson Class 18-0140

PFC Jonathan Armitstead PFC Brandon Jenkins PFC Daniel Crandall PV2 Deja Harvey PV2 Jomarys Lopezsantiago PVT Dionne Mckelvin PVT Christian Wilkerson Class 18-015Q

PVT Kiana Frutiger – DHG SSG Michael Thornburg SPC Eduardo Madrigal PFC Jesse Resendez PFC Kirkland Wheeler PV2 Corwin Boyd PV2 Dhavinsong David

PVT Nicolas Adam **PVT Robert Dodd** PVT Kyle Hutchison **PVT Christian Shook**

AH-64D Armament/ **Electrical/Avionics** Repairer (15Y) Class 005-18

PFC Shannon M. Galimba – DG PV2 Kristofer Greggory Ader PV2 Stephen Charles Adkins PV2 Kenneth Eugene Baker PV2 Austin Ryan Caplinger PV2 Brett Austin Carr PFC Derek Michael Coffield PV2 Aaron Joseph Covey PV2 Brandon J. R. Dalton PV2 Kathryn Rose De Clercq PV2 Jimmie Axem Farmer PV2 Kristal Star Kallio Class 006-18

SPC Jackson E. Riley - DG PV2 Joshua Steven Fortner PV2 Earl Fredrik N.Gaoat PV2 Blake E.Joseph Okeefe PV2 Joshua Alejandro Ortiz PV2 Nicholas Xavier Pitcock PFC Luis Joel Ramos SPC Dustin Daniel Rhoades PV2 Tyler Jordan Russo PV2 Samuel Joseph Smith PV2 Cameron Lee Stevens **PV2 Daniel Torres**

Class 007-18 PV2 Arthur D. Costa - DG

PV2 Levi Paige Bennett PV2 Dillon Ray Casey PFC Alexander Castaneda PV2 Samina M.Delapena PV2 John Wayne Foster PV2 Schuylar James Holland PV2 Scott Lee Hoppes Wo1 Kamal Kant Singh Class 008-18 SPC Joshua Martin Banna SPC Suin Jung PV2 Frank Michael Lopiccolo PV2 Thomas Aroldo Maltez

SPC Ansel J. Agosto Negron

PV2 Lakendrick D. McNeil SPC Evan Elijah Paxton PV2 Jacob M. Richardson PV2 Andrew W.Stearman PV2 Burl Guy Walker PV2 Joseph James Woodard

DHG - Distinguished Honor Graduate

PV2 Luis Armando Zarrazola

PV2 Adam M. Zolezzi

DG - Distinguished Graduate HG – Honor Graduate

= AAAA Member + = Life Member

UNMANNED **AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (UAS) GRADUATIONS**

UAS REPAIRER

AAAA congratulates the following Army graduates of the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Repairer Course. MOS 15E, at Fort Huachuca, AZ.

Shadow UAS Repairer Course

30 Graduates, 26 June PV2 Matthew A. Horn - DHG PV2 Phillip M. Baldwin - HG SGT Nicolas J. Hackenson SPC Jalon I. Bivens SPC Rory J. Everitt SPC James A. Fadgen Jr SPC Dylan C Jackson

SPC Jimmy A. Kirkendoll SPC Alex M. McDowell SPC Ryan A. Tooley PFC Isiah Reynolds PV2 Joseph P. Casteran PV2 Micheal S. Chacon PV2 Triston C. Gray PV2 Sean M. Kirkland

PV2 Brandon M. Livingston PV2 Mackinzie J. Morris PV2 Aaron S. Muniz

PV2 Blyden A. Robinson Jr PV2 Hugo A. Rucobo PV2 Deshon C. Stevenson PV2 Shawn M. Williamson

PVT Trey S. Allen PVT Kenneth S. Bevis PVT Andrew D. Fly

PVT Scott M. Kuncher PVT Timothy H. Mossman PVT Trov Nixon

PVT Jared A. Sweeting PVT Cory J. Tyler 27 Graduates, 11 July

SPC Wyatt L. Myers - DHG PV2 Anthony R. Garcia * - HG

PV2 Christopher R. McCov SGT Joseph J. McClain SGT James J. Reid

SPC Dylan R. Gwaltney PFC Christopher M. Stock PV2 Sean M. Adams

PV2 Juan A. Becerra PV2 Saul C. Castillo

PV2 Cody W. Evans PV2 Brandon A. Fair PV2 Alexander L. Knowles

PV2 Adam R. Leonard, Jr. PV2 Rene Lopez

PV2 Leonardo Lopez-Martinez PV2 Isaac A. Martz

PV2 Zachary B. Mickelson PV2 William T. Moore

PV2 Brian N. Parris PV2 Scott M. Russell PV2 Joseph Saucedo PVT Scott N. Bailey, Jr. PVT Jacob T. Barber PVT Zachary L. Beegle PVT Christian J. Garrity PVT Charles T. Seaton

UAS OPERATOR

AAAA congratulates the following Army graduates of the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Repairer Course. MOS 15W. at Fort Huachuca.

Shadow UAS Operator Course

37 Graduates, 12 July PV2 Chandler J. Heber – DHG PV2 Madison C. Albrandt – HG SGT Brock C. Clements SPC Kayla Cheesman-Miles SPC Alex J. Daniels SPC Taylor R. Kintigh SPC Benjamin T. Rumley PFC Tyler J. Fogo PFC Collin G. Joseph PFC Ariel S. McKenzie PFC Taylor M. Miller PFC Lucas A. Peacock PFC Andrew C. Sharpe PFC Matthew J. Spires PV2 William L. Ash PV2 Logan I. Booker PV2 Daniel C. Collington PV2 Jakob L. Cridelich PV2 Anthony A. Fazio PV2 Andrew B. Jenkins PV2 Hayden C. John PV2 Wesley A. King PV2 Ethan J. McKenney PV2 Jerid D. McKinney PV2 David R. Nuzum PV2 Antonio K. Paulev PV2 Jacob A. Phillips PV2 Leanna M. Proctor PV2 Santiago Salazar PV2 Branden J. Shannon PV2 Connor C. Smith PV2 Rhianna K. Van Hoose PV2 Coty L. Vann PVT William E. Baldree PVT Nicholas S. Cross PVT Branden D. Myers PVT Tyler N. Strohl

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Art's Attic is a look back each month 25 years ago and 50 years ago to see what was going on in ARMY AVIATION Magazine. Art Kesten was our founder and first publisher from 1953 to 1987. He was also the founder of the AAAA in 1957 and served as its Executive Vice President. Each month contributing editor Mark Albertson selects a few key items from each historic issue. The cartoon, right, was done back in 1953 by LT Joe Gayhart, a friend of Art's and an Army Aviator, showing the chaos of his apartment-office in New York City where it all began.





25 Years Ago, August-September 1993

Briefings

The National Aeronautic Association has chosen LTG Robert R. Williams (Ret.), AAAA Charter Member and former AAAA President, to receive one of the

prestigious Elder Statesman of Aviation awards for 1993. This

award is accorded to Americans who, over a course of years, have made significant contributions to advance the cause of aeronautics. LTG Williams' contributions to Army Aviation certainly made him a worthy recipient; for his efforts since 1942 have, in no small part, advanced the cause of aviation in the United States Army.



Briefings

House Armed Services Committee, March 31, 1993: General Gordon R. Sullivan, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, testified to committee members, that the U.S. Army is the best in the world

"Today our Army is a rapidly-changing institution ... Our challenge . . . is to transform this Army, while keeping it trained and ready so that we can respond if needed, during the transformation period.

"We are the eighth largest army in the world, behind the two Koreas, Vietnam, Pakistan, India, China, Russia and Indonesia.

"Soon we will be the ninth; eventually I think we will get into double digits."

1993 Scholarship Winners



174 candidates vied for \$122,000 in scholarships and grants; of which 49 qualified, parceled among freshmen, upper classmen and graduates.

Among freshmen, the grade average was 3.94 out of a possible 4.00; and, these same freshmen were ranked in the top 4.32 percent of his or her class, with an average SAT math and verbal score of 619 out of 800.



50 Years Ago, August-September 1968

Army Aviation Material Issue: L-15 Scout

Two-place observation aircraft, produced by Boeing; the Scout was a prototype which never made it to production. A dozen YL-15s

were procured by the Army, 1947 to 1949. This aircraft used

spoilers in lieu of ailerons and full flaps. In addition, the observer faced the rear. The Scout mounted a single Lycoming O-290-7 power plant of 125 hp. Cruising speed (SL) was 86 mph; with a maximum range of 217 miles.



Army Aviation Material Issue: YH-18A



Four-place utility helicopter, product of Sikorsky Aircraft Division, Stratford, Connecticut. YH-18A was equipped with a Franklin O-425-1 piston engine of 125 hp. Maximum speed (SL), 110 mph; maximum range, 305

miles; service ceiling, 13,800 feet. The Army purchased four YH-18As in 1950 for operational testing and evaluation.

Out of the Drink

A CH-47, from the U.S. Army Transportation School, is shown hoisting a privately-owned twin-engine fixed wing from a semi-submerged sandbar off the Virginia coast. The airplane landed a fishing party onto the sandbar; then, became hopelessly mired in the marshy sand and could not take-off. The fishing party was extracted by boat. Meanwhile the incoming tide did its gaudy work; reducing the aircraft to a total loss and its ignominious removal by the Chinook.



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Army Aviation Hall of Fame

Command Sergeant Major Willy Wilson

Army Aviation Hall of Fame 2001 Induction Charlotte, NC



SM Willy Wilson began his career in Army aviation as an aircraft mechanic. On his first combat tour in Vietnam he

served as mechanic and door gunner in both Army and Navy helicopter gunships. On his second he was a technical inspector, and also served as flight engineer of a CH-54 crew that tested new off-loading procedures for seagoing vessels. They off-loaded 700 tons of cargo from the aircraft carrier HMAS Sydney in four hours and 30 minutes.

In the mid-sixties Wilson was a crew chief of a CH-34 with the NASA Gemini Program determining feasibility and procedures for land versus sea recovery. In August 1979 he was NCO in charge of Operation Northern Leap, which established a new operational concept for self-deployment of Chinook helicopters in a multi-helicopter flight from Fort Carson, Colorado to Heidelberg, Germany.

His last active-duty assignment was director of enlisted maintenance training, a position previously held by either a colonel or Lt. Col. He was not only successful as a department director, but also established an Aero Scout Observer Course, restructured the Air Traffic Control Course, and established and served as Commandant of the Army Aviation Branch NCO Academy. His peers as directors in the Aviation School were senior commissioned officers with whom he competed successfully for resources.

After retiring, he continued to serve Army aviation as vice president, operations, for a defense contractor involved in overhauling Army helicopters.

During active service, he was awarded the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Crosses from the Army and Navy, two Bronze Stars, 25 Air Medals, Meritorious Service Medal, Purple Heart and others. His service sets him apart from his peers; he has made contributions normally unattainable at his grade level.



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