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Academy receives Commander-in-Chief's Trophy



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President Barack Obama congratulates Lt. Gen. Michelle D. Johnson, the Air Force Academy superintendent, after presenting the Academy football team with the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy at the White House May 7.

By Senior Airman Hailey Haux
Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — The U.S. Air Force Academy football team received the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy from President Barack Obama at the White House May 7.

The hardware, weighing 170 pounds, goes to the team that wins the most football games in a competition between the U.S. Military

Academy, U.S. Naval Academy and U.S. Air Force Academy each season.

"This is the Falcons' third trip in the last five years," Obama said. "I am told it is a record 19 times that they have earned this unreasonably large trophy. But if anybody can figure out how to get this thing to where it needs to go, it is the Air Force."

The Air Force Falcons claimed the trophy for the 19th time during their game against the Army Black Knights in November 2014.

"Last year at this time, most folks did not think Coach (Troy) Calhoun and the Falcons would be here today," said the president. "They had just come off of a less than ideal season, but this year they came back determined to set a new tone. This was quite a season for the Falcons."

During the ceremony, Cadets 1st Class Kale Pearson and Christian Spears presented the president with a football jersey and game football.

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Security boosted at DOD facilities nationwide

By Cheryl Pellerin
Defense Department News

WASHINGTON — The commander of the U.S. Northern Command in Colorado Springs raised the force protection level for all Defense Department facilities in the U.S. May 8.

Pentagon spokesman Army Col. Steve Warren said the changes were not made due to a specific threat but rather a general environment of heightened threats, he said.

"You can look at Twitter or at other social media sites and see

threats," Warren said. "We have a little bit more capability than you do so we see a little bit more. Some of [the threats] are international, some are domestic ... but it's an overall increase in the environment."

The potential for another attack is always possible and implementing random force protection measures minimizes the likelihood of an attack on an installation or service members, Warren said.

Force protection condition levels range from Alpha, which applies when an increased general and unpredictable terrorist threat exists

against personnel or facilities, to Delta, which applies in an immediate area where a terrorist attack has occurred or is imminent.

Northcom raised the force protection level at all DOD facilities nationwide from Alpha to Bravo. Bravo applies when an increased or more predictable threat of terrorist activity exists.

Raising the FPCON level is an acknowledgement that right now DOD officials believe the threat level nationwide has increased, Warren said.

At the Pentagon, the FPCON level has been at Alpha but "with

selected measures from Bravo in effect. Now it's Bravo," he said.

"I won't go into the specifics of what that means because it is information a potential adversary could use against us," Warren said.

In general, at DOD installations, the elevated FPCON level means more comprehensive checking of those entering the facilities, heightened awareness of personnel at the facilities, and in some circumstances, more security personnel on duty at the facilities, he said.

"Broadly speaking there won't
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Academy offers muscle confusion for the mind

By Lt. Gen. Michelle D. Johnson
U.S. Air Force Academy superintendent

Many readers have heard about disruptive innovation — a change that creates an entirely new way of doing business. Exponential energy, driverless vehicles and wearable technology are all examples. Indeed, it seems I cannot meet five people without most of them wearing some form of technology. Even my command chief master sergeant, a combat veteran with 30-plus years in service, has his wrist monitor tracking his every move and how restful he is at sleep. He claims he's actually not sleeping all that well because he is stressed about not getting a good night's sleep. In any event, these disruptive innovations create a "new normal" and change our behavior.

Similarly, we're trying something at the Air Force Academy that, like disruptive innovation, is designed to change behavior. However, this innovation is more akin to a term I learned while flipping through TV channels early one morning on the fitness machine. There was a 30-minute advertisement describing how to lose weight and gain fitness through muscle confusion. At first, hearing muscle confusion, I was reminded of our most recent women's basketball reunion — 30 years are not kind to the jump shot. Nevertheless, to the Internet I went and sure enough, muscle confusion has 2.5 million websites — there is apparently a raging debate on whether it works.

Muscle confusion supposedly counteracts our body's remarkable ability to adapt. As we adapt, our fitness plateaus. Hence, by introducing variety to our workout, we keep the body guessing, ergo our fitness adapts and grows. Although I did not immediately adopt muscle confusion into my workout, this idea reminded me of innovations we're developing at the Academy. Among the most promising are exchanges and cadet intermission programs.

We have always offered a variety of challenging experiences to help our cadets learn and mature. Among these experiences are semester exchanges with other U.S. service and foreign academies (i.e., West Point, Annapolis and France's Ecole de l'air). However, this past semester we expanded our exchange program and sent three cadets to public universities: the Uni-



Lt. Gen. Michelle D. Johnson

versity of South Florida, the University of Texas-San Antonio, and Arizona State University. The cadets are reporting back that this fantastic experience has been muscle confusion for their mind. It is easy to wear your uniform, complete your homework and lead fellow cadets when everyone is required to be just like you. However at these universities, like many exceptional institutions around the country, these cadets may be the only members in their class serving in the military. They are now coping not just with larger classes and more freedom, but they're having to defend their choices, lead in class when no one knows

(or cares) about your rank, and serve as ambassadors for military service. These experiences, like muscle confusion, are preventing the plateauing of their development — a phenomenon we see in some cadets as they adapt to the Academy experience.

This trial experience is also guiding our approach to a year-long cadet intermission program. This program, modeled off of the recently implemented Air Force intermission program and similar to programs encouraged at other elite institutions, allows juniors to organize a year away from the academy to seek other opportunities and challenges. We simply provide initial approval and advice/guidance throughout the year. Similar to the exchange program, spending a year volunteering in a developing nation, or learning a language while teaching English, or attending college to take classes we don't offer — all at your own expense — provides the muscle confusion needed to break through to excellence from a plateau of good enough.

Of course, many of our cadets won't need these programs — taking 140-plus semester hours, playing sports, marching to class, flying gliders, etc. provides enough "confusion" to ensure continued improvement. Most cadets were exceptional when we recruited them, and they continue to excel throughout their cadet career.

However, to graduate great Air Force officers ready to lead in a complex and ever-changing world, we must find new ways to break through developmental plateaus, allow cadets to challenge themselves and create opportunities for muscle confusion for the mind.

Honest answers to sexual assault myths

By Maj. Gen. Gina Grosso
Air Force Sexual Assault Prevention and Response director

As Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month comes to a close, I want to take the opportunity to address three persistent myths regarding the Air Force's Sexual Assault Prevention and Response program. These myths include a commander's ability to start, stop or otherwise hinder a sexual assault investigation; what agencies can take a sexual assault report; and the number of sexual assaults where the victim and the perpetrator are in the same unit.

The first myth in the general public and within the Air Force is that commanders decide whether or not allegations of sexual assault made by their subordinates will be investigated. This is simply not



Maj. Gen. Gina Grosso

true. Air Force commanders are required by Air Force policy to immediately refer all sexual assault allegations to the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, required to investigate all sexual assault allegations.

Commanders have no say over whether AFOSI investigates a sexual assault allegation or any other

criminal matter within AFOSI's investigative jurisdiction. AFOSI agents operate independently of the Air Force's traditional chain of command, reporting instead through AFOSI's own command structure.

Air Force policy also dictates that the AFOSI commander notify the secretary of the Air Force in writing of any instance in which a commander, or any other Air Force member, attempts to impede

an investigation or limit the use of investigative techniques through the use of their authority. The secretary of the Air Force and the Department of Defense inspector general are the only individuals outside AFOSI who may direct an agent to conduct or not conduct specific investigative activities or to close an investigation.

The second myth that persists is that sexual assault victims wishing to make a report must go through their commander, supervisor, or law enforcement channels first.

Again, this is simply not true. A victim can go directly to Sexual Assault Response Coordinators, SAPR Victim Advocates or healthcare providers. These professionals regularly receive both restricted and unrestricted reports and are available to help victims navigate through either reporting option.

In addition, Special Victims Counsel is available to all sexual assault victims. SVCs are military

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WWII vets honored on V-E Day anniversary

By Jim Garamone
Defense Department News

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — World War II veterans were out in force at the National World War II Memorial on the National Mall May 8 to remember their comrades on the 70th anniversary of when the guns stopped in Europe.

More than 500 veterans turned out, to represent the generation that went to war to save democracy.

Susan Rice, the U.S. National Security Adviser, represented President Barack Obama at the ceremony. Katherine Korbelt stood in for her sister, former Secretary of State Madeline Albright, at the ceremony.

Rice told the crowd that on V-E Day, celebrations were mixed with sorrows for what was lost.

“As the news spread, and people poured into the streets to celebrate in New York, London and Paris, cheers and laughter mixed freely with tears,” she said. “(But) even in the midst of one triumph, we vowed to fight on and finish the war in the Pacific.”

Now 70 years from that turning point, America remembers the sacrifices made to preserve freedom, Rice said. She remembered the allies from Britain, Poland, France and resistance movements throughout Europe. She remem-



GLENN FAWCETT

Vintage World War II aircraft fly over the Capitol to commemorate the 70th anniversary of V-E Day, May 8 in Washington, D.C.

bered the sacrifices of Russia and the nations that then made up the Soviet Union.

The flyover

Following the ceremony, to mark the 70th anniversary of the end of fighting in Europe, or V-E Day, aircraft World War II aircraft took to the skies during the Arsenal of Democracy Flyover.

Coordinated by the Commemorative Air Force based in Dallas, more than 50 aircraft, representing the evolution of aviation technology throughout the war, flew over the capital region. The aircraft flew in historically se-

quenced formations signifying the decisive battles of the war. The aircraft represented battles from Pearl Harbor and Midway to D-Day and Iwo Jima, with a final missing man formation.

Acting Secretary of the Air Force Lisa Disbrow represented the Air Force at the event.

“This impressive aerial display of heritage American combat aviation represents the technical prowess, innovation and bravery of a great generation,” she said. “As we face future challenges and opportunities, we carry their legacy into the future. I am hum-

bled to stand in the shadow of these magnificent aircraft and the tradition of valor they represent.”

Legacy of sacrifice

“Today, we can celebrate the legacy of their sacrifices. A legacy you could not imagine in 1945,” Rice said. That legacy is not limited to 70 years of peace in Europe, but also the way “the seed of democracy has flourished around the world.”

The American and Russian soldiers who met at the prisoner of war camp in Torgau, Germany, April 25, 1945, were witnesses of some of mankind’s most unconscionable acts, Rice said.

“That legacy continues to drive us to stand against atrocities and acts of mass inhumanity,” Rice said.

The war changed America at home, Rice said, noting African American Soldiers came home and fought for justice and their rights. Women, too, looked at their contributions in the military and in factories and sought more.

WWII vets will be remembered

Rice said America owes World War II veterans an unpayable debt. She thanked them in the president’s name and said the story of their generation will never be forgotten.

“We will continue to tell it to children blessedly untouched by war,

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Up for the challenge:

Prep school students present final projects at annual event

By Amber Baillie
U.S. Air Force Academy Public Affairs

Cadet candidates tested their biodiesel, bridge trusses and brain power during the third Dean's Challenge Monday and Tuesday at the U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School.

Students shared personal poems with faculty, tested biodiesel in a drag race and were quizzed during a Knowledge Bowl competition to wrap up the year.

"The events are awesome to watch as the cadet candidates are proud of their work," said Lt. Col. Alicia Matteson, dean of academics at the Prep School. "The events are designed to be academic capstones of the courses our students attended throughout their Prep School year."

During the Poetry Slam, students shared poems on their adversity, life experiences and journey at the Prep School.

"It's our capstone event in the English department and a chance for cadet candidates to express their creativity, share a different side of themselves, and recognize the power in poetry as a literary form," said Prep School English

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Lt. Col. Alicia Matteson

department head Will Rogers. "Students shared about 30 poems and faculty and staff also read some of their work."

During the Biodiesel Run off, 49 teams tested their alternative fuel made of vegetable oil by racing model cars providing by faculty.

"It's a practical application of chemistry," said Kevin McGregor, Prep School Science department head. "Students learned crucial concepts throughout the year on alternative fuels and had a week to prepare their own fuel."

The competition included 13 preliminary rounds, a semi-fi-

PREP SCHOOL GRADUATION EVENTS

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- Baccalaureate Service: 5-6:15 p.m. Sunday at the Community Center Chapel
- Graduation Parade: 8-9 a.m. Monday at Black Memorial Field
- Hall of Fame ceremony: 1-2:30 p.m. Monday in Arnold Hall

nal and final round. The winning team crossed the 55-yard course in seven seconds, according to McGregor.

"The cars were identical but the teams loaded their fuel," he said.

The Dean's Challenge concluded with a screening of the award-winning film "The Imitation Game" based on British cryptanalyst Alan Turing, who helped solve the Enigma code during World War II.

"It was a great way to embrace the challenge," said Deborah Hollimon, Prep School Reading and Study Skills program director. "It was a story they could reflect on and learn more about the U.S.'s role during the war as an Ally, defeating Germany during the conflict."

Enigma machines enabled Allied Powers to encipher Morse-coded radio communications between enemies during World War II.

"They thought the code was

unbreakable and it involved a lot of math to decode it," Hollimon said. "When the code was broken in the movie, cadets applauded and cheered. I think they were very proud."

Hollimon said students were asked to identify sub-themes in the movie on gender roles, sexual orientation, and tolerance and diversity.

"I think it added to the experience," she said.

After the film, cadets analyzed and took photos with an authentic WWII Enigma machine. The German device is from the National Cryptology Museum in Fort Meade, Maryland, and on permanent loan to the Academy's Computer Science Department.

"I think students gained an appreciation for the story after learning about the genius behind breaking the code," Hollimon said.



COURTESY PHOTO

U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School cadet candidates view an authentic World War II Enigma machine Tuesday after watching "The Imitation Game" in the base theatre.



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A-10 pilot receives Jabara Award

By Capt. Denise Haeussler
442nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

WHITEMAN AIR FORCE BASE, Mo. — A 2008 Academy graduate received the Col. James Jabarra Award for Airmanship in a ceremony at the staff tower here May 1.

Capt. Kyle Babbitt, a pilot-instructor assigned to Luke Air Force Base, Arizona, said receiving the award and returning to the Academy was a surreal experience.

“It’s very surreal being back here where it all started,” Babbitt said. “Seven years seems like a long time, but being back here now it could have been yesterday I graduated. Being back to be honored in this way with my fellow cadets, pilots and the planes I fly soaring above my head, is the most humbling experience I’ve had to date.”

Babbitt earned the award for his superior performance while deployed to Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

“It is a great honor to win this award,” Babbitt said. “When I looked out at the sea of cadets from the staff tower, I could see

still myself down there.”

The Academy, along with the Jabara family and the Academy’s Association

of Graduates, established the Col. James Jabara Award for Airmanship Jan. 5, 1967.

Jabara was the second leading Air Force Ace of the Korean War. Each year the Academy presents the award to a graduate whose airmanship contributions set them apart from their colleagues.

Lt. Col. John Galloway, Babbitt’s supervisor, said when the opportunity came to nominate an Academy graduate for the award, one name stood above the rest.

“Capt. Kyle Babbitt,” Galloway said. “In previous years, recipients usually have one single event that stands out. Kyle had 14 combined which are beyond impressive.”

Babbitt was deployed from September 2013 to October 2014. He volunteered to deploy with the 75th Fighter Squadron at Moody AFB, Georgia and deployed again with his own 303rd Fighter Squadron at Whiteman AFB, Montana.

According to the award documents, Babbitt directly engaged the enemy with precise lethal fire power against high-value targets and individuals on 14 occasions, overcoming difficult weather, visibility problems, and dangerous terrain and communication issues. He flew more than 130 combat sorties and accrued more than 470 combat hours.



PHOTOS BY CAPT. DENISE HAEUSSLER

Capt. Kyle Babbitt, a 2008 Academy grad, accepts the Jabara Award for Airmanship from Lt. Gen. Michelle D. Johnson, the U.S. Air Force Academy superintendent, May 1.



Capt. Kyle Babbitt, 303d Fighter Squadron A-10 Thunderbolt II pilot, looks at the Jabara Award for Airmanship at the Air Force Academy May 1. Babbitt, a 2008 Academy graduate, is the latest recipient.

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Capt. Kyle Babbitt

Academy researchers place 1st in competition

U.S. Air Force Academy Public Affairs

Two research teams from the Air Force Academy won top awards in the American Institute for Aeronautics and Astronautics Region V competition last month.

Cadets 1st Class Joshua Castagnetta and Robert Larson won first place in the undergraduate category for their research at the April 24-25 competition to create an unmanned aerial vehicle capable of conducting zero-gravity experiments.

Mentored by long-time Academy Aeronautics professor Tom Yechout, the research started as a summer research internship at NASA's Houston facility and continued during the cadets' senior year at the Academy.

Scientists conduct microgravity experiments, simulated zero-gravity tests using a 727 jet that travels in a circle to provide seconds of no gravity. The problem is that the jet is expensive and has to be booked months in advance.

NASA researchers wanted to know if a commercially available UAV could take on some of the 727's workload, taking small equipment into a steep dive that creates zero gravity for a few seconds at a time. The result of more than 18 months of research found the UAVs should be able to fly the parabolic route normally taken by the 727.

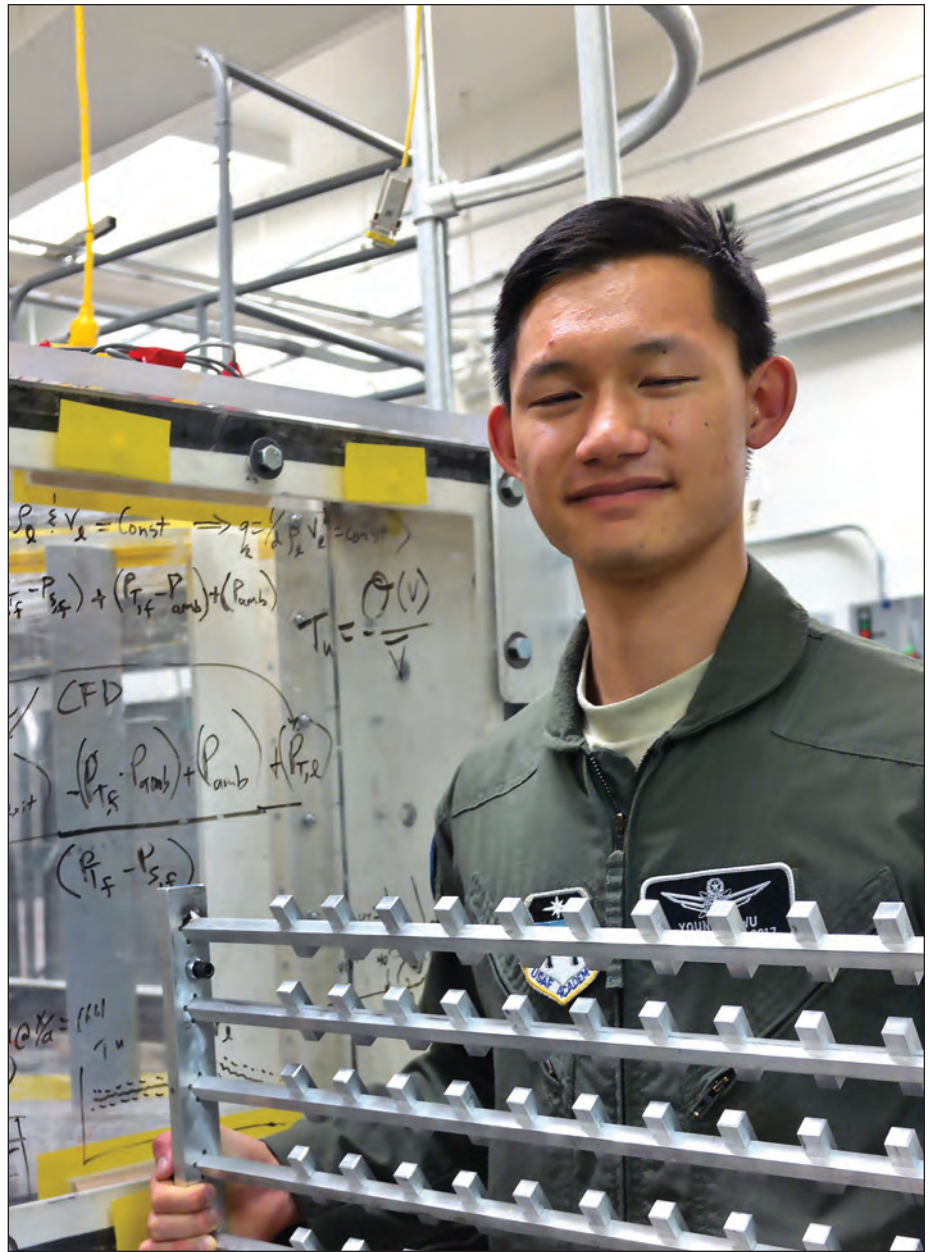
Two Academy seniors and a

sophomore won first place in the team category, spanning 14 universities. The team, Cadets 1st Class Gregory Gutkin, Geoffrey Whitener and Cadet 3rd Class Young Wu, conducted research in the Academy's cascade wind tunnel, a research tool that tests parts of engines, instead of model airplanes. Since engines can't be downsized, the three — and sophomore Young Wu — worked on developing new ways to test engine designs for turbulence.

"Characterizing the flow over low-pressure turbine blades is of interest to the Air Force because slow, high-flying engines experience flow separation across low pressure turbine blades, causing a loss of turbine efficiency," the three wrote in their award-winning paper. "This study will enable future turbine blade research at the Air Force Academy by establishing a baseline."

Astronautics Region V 1st place teams:

- Cadets 1st Class Joshua Castagnetta and Robert Larson for research with unmanned aerial vehicles.
- Cadets 1st Class Gregory Gutkin, Geoffrey Whitener and Cadet 3rd Class Young Wu for engine research using the cascade wind tunnel.



AMY GILLENLINE

Cadet 3rd Class Young Wu developed test engine designs for turbulence at the Academy.

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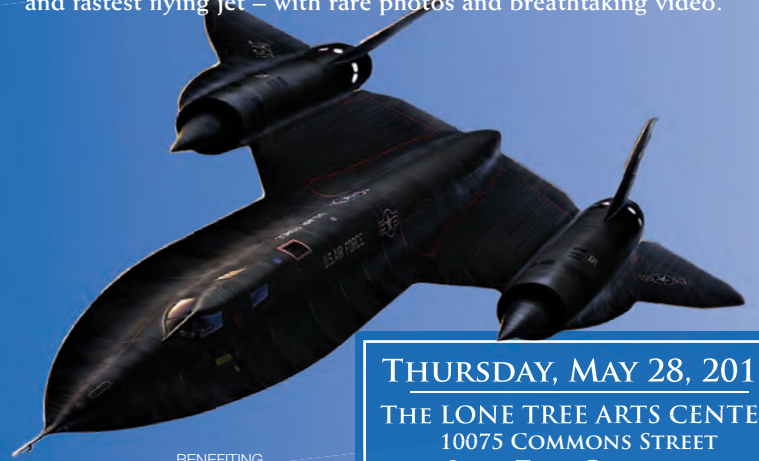
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Air Force ends season with Twilight Open

Athletic Communications

Air Force Track and Field wrapped up the regular season at the Twilight Open here May 8. The Falcons took home 16 place first-place finishes at the open and swept the men's and women's titles in five events during its only home meet of the year.

Freshman Robbie Anderson (22.61) and senior Morgan Malone (25.64) finished first in their respective races of the 200-meter dash, while Anderson also finished as the top collegiate sprinter in the 100-meter dash (career-best 11.01). Seniors Zach Perkins (1:53.07) and Rebecca Esselstein (2:16.84) finished first in their 800-meter events, while junior Daniel Shellhouse (9:05.05) and sophomore Lindy Long (10:49.05) were the top finishers in the 3000-meter run. Juniors Dylan Bell (season-best 17'5½") and Riley Vann (12'4½") won the pole vault, while freshmen Donny Crabill (197'11") and Ryan Vicek (117'0") completed the sweep of the javelin titles.



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CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT:

Taylor Hulslander throws the javelin to a second place finish at the Twilight Open here May 8.

Ashley Morgan's throw of 49.99 earned her second place in the hammer throw.

Air Force runners, left to right: Kyle Eller, Jason Engel, Andrew Milliron and Patrick Corona run in the men's 1500m May 8. Falcon runners Matt Dorsey, Kyle, Eller and Jason Engel took 1st, 2nd and 3rd, in the event.

Senior triple jumper Angela Ross finished second with a jump of 11.26m.

Jamiel Trimble II (left) runs the 110m hurdles at the Twilight Open. The freshman placed second in the event.



LIZ COPAN

10th Air Base Wing changes commanders

U.S. Air Force Academy Public Affairs

Col. Troy Dunn, a 1993 Academy graduate, took command of the 10th Air Base Wing from Col. Stacey Hawkins in a ceremony at Falcon Stadium Thursday.

Dunn was previously assigned to Ramstein Air Base, Germany, where he commanded the 86th Mission Support Group.

Hawkins is scheduled to leave the Academy for Scott Air Force Base, Ill., where he will serve as the director of logistics for Air Mobility Command.

Hawkins has been selected for promotion to brigadier general.

Lt. Gen. Michelle D. Johnson, the Academy superintendent, presided over the event, also attended by Dunn and Hawkins' family members.



Col. Troy Dunn

DOD continues humanitarian effort in Nepal following aftershock



STAFF SGT. JEFFREY D. ANDERSON

Nepali soldiers unload aid and relief supplies delivered by a U.S. Marine Corps UH-1Y Venom helicopter assigned to Joint Task Force 505 in Nepal's Kavrepalanchowk district Monday, during Operation Sahayogi Haat.

By Army Sgt. 1st Class Tyrone Marshall Jr.
Defense Department News

WASHINGTON — Despite the magnitude-7.3 earthquake aftershock Tuesday, the Defense Department continues to provide humanitarian assistance and disaster response to the people of Nepal, Pentagon spokesman Army Col. Steve Warren told Pentagon reporters.

"Today, a magnitude-7.3 earthquake struck the Dolahka district in the central region of Nepal, approximately 50 miles northeast of Kathmandu," he said.

The U.S. Geological Survey considers this to be the largest of more than 100 aftershocks that followed the magnitude-7.8 earthquake on April 25, Warren said.

The colonel said members of the U.S. Agency for International Development's disaster assistance response team, including urban search and rescue personnel, in coordination with the U.S. military's Joint Task Force 505, are conducting aerial assessments of Dolahka and the surrounding areas to view the extent

AID BY THE NUMBERS

OVER 300

U.S. military personnel in Nepal

515

Hours of flight time logged

480

Tons of aid delivered

993

Civilians transported to safety

of recent damage.

The department has committed approximately \$7.5 million to this effort of the \$10 million Defense Secretary Ash Carter approved in Overseas Humanitarian Disaster and Civic Aid funds, Warren said.

He also confirmed the international airport in Nepal's capital of Kathmandu remains open and that all DOD personnel who are present in the region "have been accounted for and are safe."

Warren provided an update to reporters on Operation Sahayogi Haat — Nepalese for "helping hand," — the name given to U.S. military efforts in the region.

More than 300 U.S. military personnel are now in Kathmandu supporting the operation, he said.

Warren noted that in addition to the personnel response, there have been more than 515 hours of flight time logged, 480 tons of aid delivered and 993 civilians transported during the operation.

"This is all headquartered at III [Marine Expeditionary Force]," he added. "We've got three [UH-1Y]

Huey's, four Marine Corps MV-22B Ospreys, two Marine Corps KC-130 Hercules, and four Air Force C-17 Globemasters."

"We have established an intermediate staging base in Utapao, Thailand," Warren said. "We've got approximately 270 personnel there, so that is how we're flowing these heavy-lift birds through."

At this point there are no plans for additional personnel, but the situation is under constant assessment, he said.

Answers

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attorneys whose sole job is to advocate on behalf of sexual assault victims. These specialized lawyers can help victims gain a better understanding of the investigative and legal system processes. If a sexual assault victim chooses to participate in the military justice process, the SVCs also represent the victim in court.

The restricted reporting option is for sexual assault victims who wish to confidentially disclose the crime and receive medical treatment and services without triggering the official investigative process or pressing charges against a perpetrator.

Service members who are sexually assaulted and wish to file a restricted report must report the assault to a SARC, a SAPR VA, or healthcare personnel.

The unrestricted reporting option is for sexual assault victims who want law enforcement officials to investigate the assault in order to hold the perpetrator accountable. Once an unrestricted report is made, AFOSI agents investigate each and every reported sexual assault allegation over which the Air Force has jurisdiction. Anyone wishing to file an unrestricted report may report the crime to law enforcement, the chain of command, SARC, SAPR VA, or healthcare personnel.

The third myth is that in every sexual assault case the victim and the accused share the same commander and this leads to retaliation within the unit such as a reduction in rank, a decrease in pay or being forced out of the military.

Roughly one in six sexual assault cases involve offenders and victims assigned to the same unit. This can result in unique issues for commanders as they support the victim and the accused. Regardless of the accused or victim unit affiliation, retaliation is not acceptable. Furthermore, retaliation is punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. The Air Force is working hard to ensure victims of retaliation feel safe reporting such incidents as well as know where they can go for assistance.

These three persistent myths notwithstanding, the Air Force will continue to offer the best care possible to our sexual assault victims to help them become empowered survivors. Let us all make a concerted effort not only in April, but every day throughout the year to end sexual assault. Every Airman can and must make a difference when it comes to bringing awareness and preventing this crime in the Air Force and in our communities.



PHOTOS BY MASTER SGT. KENNETH BELLARD
Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James speaks to Academy cadets April 16, in Clune arena during the Take Back the Night event. The secretary told cadets they have to say "no" to crude behavior, hazing and being silent if a wingman is in trouble.



Academy cadets hold up glow sticks in Clune Arena April 16 to represent the number of sexual assault victims at the Air Force Academy during the last 10 years.

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WRESTLING

Falcons compete at Asics Open Wrestling Championships

By Athletic Communications

Seven Air Force Academy wrestlers competed at the 2015 Asics Opens Wrestling Championships, May 5-9, in Las Vegas.

The Falcons competed across three separate levels of competition with senior Jesse Stafford and junior Marcus Malecek competing in the U.S. Senior Open, the highest level of competition at the event.

Stafford went 2-2 at 74 kilograms and Malecek went 0-2 at 125 kilograms at the U.S. Open Freestyle Tournament for future Olympic and World Team level competition.

Five Falcon wrestlers competed in the United World Wrestling Junior Greco Tournament. Freshman Jordan Wengreen placed second at 70 kilograms and freshman Dane Robbins placed third at 70 kilograms. Sophomore Dani Fischer took seventh at 66 kilograms and freshman Lyle Plummer was eighth at 63 kilograms. Sophomore Conor O'Hara also competed at 66 kilos.

The five also competed at the UWW Junior Freestyle Tournament. O'Hara led the way with a 2-2 record in competition. Plummer and Robbins both went 1-2, while Fischer and Wengreen went 0-2.

"The goal of the trip was to give our guys a chance to compete against the nation's best," assistant coach Bart Horton said. "Many of the wrestlers we compet-



MIKE KAPLAN

Air Force senior Jesse Stafford competed at the highest level of competition at the U.S. Senior Open in Las Vegas. Stafford went 2-2 at 74 kilograms.

ed against have Olympic aspirations, and it is important to test ourselves against that high level. We took away some valuable lessons that will continue to elevate our program."

Stafford achieves top wrestling honors

By Athletic Communications

The 2014-15 award winners for the Air Force wrestling team were honored recently at the team's annual banquet Wednesday.

Earning top honors was senior Jesse Stafford, the recipient of the Falcons' Outstanding Wrestler award.

Stafford, ranked as high as 15th in the nation at 165 pounds, finished the season with a 21-10 overall record, earning his first NCAA big. The NCAA West Region runner-up, Stafford started off the season in strong fashion, earning Outstanding Wrestler honors at the Cowboy Open. In addition, Stafford placed eighth overall at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational. Stafford was also honored with the NCWA Academic All-American award.

The Coaches Appreciation Award, bestowed upon an individual who has displayed great dedication to the program, teammates and coaching staff, was presented to freshman Zen Ikehara and senior Carter McElhany. Meanwhile, junior Adam Jackson was honored with the Commitment to Excellence Award, which is granted to the cadet with the best all-around performance at the Academy (academics, military and athletics).

Earning Most Improved honors for the Falcons were senior Jack Carda and sophomore Jerry McGinty. Carda posted a 19-17 overall record and McGinty went 21-15. McGinty earned All-WWC honors with his third place finish at the NCAA West Regional.

Junior Marcus Malecek earned the Iron Bolt Award, given to the team's top performer in the strength and conditioning program. Sophomore Parker Hines earned the Scholar-Athlete Award. In addition, freshman Evan Ulinski was recognized with the Most Falls Award, after leading the team with six falls on the season.

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Commander-in-Chief Trophy

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"I am extremely honored to come here and represent the Air Force as a whole," Pearson said. "We had some success on the football field, and a lot of support behind us in order to get here today."

After commissioning, the two cadets will go on to be graduate assistants for a year; Spears will become a personnel officer and Pearson will be a logistics officer.

"I am elated," Spears said. "It is a huge honor and I am so thankful for a great season and for this opportunity."

Combined with preseason training, the players completed service leadership training, which included volunteering more than 500 hours at local community organizations.

"I can tell you unquestionably the young men and young women who are with the United States Air Force Academy are absolutely what we want very soon serving on active duty," Calhoun said. "In 20 days, we graduate a class of over 900 cadets to immediately take the reins that we want as the leaders and officers in the United States Air Force and to join a very fine squad as part of our armed forces."

Lt. Gen. Michelle D. Johnson, the Academy superintendent, was at the ceremony.

"Winning the CINC Trophy is a great honor for our team, for the Academy and for Colorado Springs," she said. "Our cadet-athletes thrive on competition on and off the field and this trophy is an indication of their dedication to excellence and their commitment to teamwork. I could not be more proud of our cadets and of Coach Calhoun and his staff, who helped pave the path for this tremendous success."

The president said the cadets will be part of the finest fighting force in the history of the world.

"As president, I have no greater honor or



The Air Force Falcon football team shows off a jersey and ball they presented to President Barack Obama at the White House May 7. The team was there to accept the Commander-in-Chief Trophy from the president.

SCOTT ASH

greater responsibility than serving as your commander in chief," Obama said. "In the months and the years ahead these cadets will go on to become officers in the military. They will lead their peers and I will call on each of you to live up to the example of those who came before you, and wherever you are stationed, I want you to know this country stands behind you and will strive to serve you as well as you will be serving us. But in the meantime, congratulations on a great football season."

Air Force secured one of the most remarkable turnarounds in college football in 2014. The Falcons finished the season 10-3 overall and had a 5-3 mark in conference play after a 2-10 mark in 2013. The eight-game turnaround is the best in school history and tied with TCU as the best in the country. The Falcons qualified for their seventh bowl game in

eight seasons, defeating Western Michigan, 38-24, in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. Air Force defeated both Army and Navy to win a record 19th Commander-in-Chief's Trophy title and its third in the last five years.

The Falcons entered the bowl season as one of just two teams nationally to have beaten two 10-win teams in the regular season. The Falcons beat Boise State and in-state rival Colorado State, who each won 10 or more games. Air Force's 10-win season is just its sixth in school history. The victory over Boise State was historic, as the Falcons became the first team in the Mountain West's Mountain Division to beat the Broncos. The victory over Colorado State, who was ranked 21st nationally, marked the highest ranked team Air Force has beaten since 1996. Air Force finished 6-0 at home for just the fourth time in school history.

Security

From Page 1

a change, but in specific areas there could be longer lines as personnel enter posts, camps and stations around the nation, [and this] could have traffic implications," Warren said.

Northcom spokesman Master Sgt. Chuck Marsh said raising the force protection condition was a "prudent measure to remind installation commanders at all levels

within our area of responsibility to ensure increased vigilance in safeguarding our DOD personnel, installations and facilities."

The raised FPCON level is in addition to random drills or exercises performed at all DOD facilities, Marsh said.

According to Northcom, the commander last raised the FPCON level from Alpha to Bravo

in 2011 in preparation for the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

At the Air Force Academy

The Academy is closed to visitors unless they are escorted by a DOD ID-cardholder. Visitor access for official events is permitted on a case-by-case basis.

The section of the Santa Fe Trail on the installation is closed to non-

DOD ID card-holders. Visitors may be escorted on the trail by DOD ID cardholders.

These security measures will be in place until further notice. As a matter of DOD policy, Academy officials will not discuss specific security measures.

Report suspicious activity to the 10th Security Forces Squadron at 333-2000.

V-E Day

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so they understand ... the price of freedom," she said.

Korbel and Albright were both refugees from Hitler's regime. Their father, Josef, was a Czechoslovakian diplomat forced to flee from Prague when Germany invaded in 1939, Korbel said. The family settled in England where her father advised the Czech government in exile, and as they endured the Blitz in London, Albright believed that no one else would stand up to the Axis.

"Then one day, wonderful news came from across the sea: a brave nation had answered the call and was on its way to rescue freedom,"

Korbel said. "Soon, American soldiers arrived in Britain, bringing with them their boundless energy, confident wisecracks and funny way of walking. On the streets of British cities and towns, children like me trailed along behind them in awe of their uniforms and all that they represented."

Allied invasion

Korbel noticed that in June 1944 all the Americans were gone suddenly, off to the fight in France.

"In the months that followed, almost an entire continent lost to evil had to be retaken village by village, hill by hill," she said. "It was an assault against dug-in positions, amid rain and

mud and blood and darkness, winnable only through unbelievable courage and with unbearable losses."

Hallmarks of the WWII generation

Courage, ingenuity, faith and industry "are the hallmarks of the World War II generation," Korbel said.

"To be true to those heroes we must never forget why World War II was fought and how it was won," she said. "We must maintain solidarity with one another, never allowing our differences to interfere with the most profound values we share. And we must be willing to uphold that principle by defending democratic institutions and values throughout the world."



Asian-American/Pac. Islander heritage

May is Asian-American/Pacific Islander Heritage Month. The theme of the event is "Many Cultures, One Voice."

Educational displays in the McDermott Cadet Library, Community Center library and the 10th Medical Group lobby will feature historical information, artifacts and books.

An Asian-American and Pacific Islander book reading and learning event is scheduled 4-4:30 p.m., Wednesday, at the Falcon Trail You Center. Call 333-4400 or 333-5416 for more information.

Cadet Sponsor Program

The Air Force Academy's Class of 2019 is due to arrive June 25. The Academy is looking for volunteer sponsor families to build a professional mentoring relationship and provide a home-away-from-home for the cadets.

Eligible sponsors are captains and above, technical sergeants and above and Government Schedule employees GS-05 and above.

Cadets are scheduled to meet their sponsors at the Doolie Day Out event July 18th. The deadline to sign up for the Doolie Day Out event is July 2.

Sponsors may also sign up for academic year sponsorship if they are unable to participate in this one-day event. The Academy will take requests to sponsor cadets for the academic year (through grad year) no later

than August 14th. Visit www.usafa.edu/cadetFocus/cadetSponsor for more information or call 333-2727.

Women's Equality Day

Volunteers are needed for the Air Force Academy's Women's Equality Day. A volunteer meeting is scheduled at 3 p.m., today in the Community Center Chapel community room.

For more information or to volunteer, call 333-5661.

Vacation Bible School

Everest Vacation Bible School: June 8-12, 5-7:30 p.m. at the Community Center Chapel. The event is for pre-kindergarteners through fifth grade. Visit the Community Center Chapel to register.

Preseason softball

Preseason softball begins Monday. The competitive league will play Monday and Wednesday. The recreation league will play Tuesday and Thursday.

Call 333-4078 if you would like to register.

Academy roadwork

All four lanes of North Gate Boulevard will open Sunday and stay open through the cadet graduation ceremony May 28.



Academy Prep School Graduation

The U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School graduation is 9 a.m., May 19 in Arnold Hall.

Other Prep School events: Baccalaureate Service, 6-5:15 p.m., May 17, at the Community Center Chapel; Graduation Parade at Black Memorial Field, 8-9 a.m., May 18; Hall of Fame induction and awards ceremony, 1-2:30 p.m., May 18, in Arnold Hall.

Hispanic Heritage month

The Hispanic Heritage Month Observance project officer and the Air Force Academy's Equal Opportunity office need volunteers for Hispanic Heritage Month events.

An observance meeting is scheduled in the 10 Dental Squadron Conference room 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Call 333-5913 for more information.



Cadet Chapel

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Meditation: Thursday, 6:20 p.m.

PROTESTANT

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CATHOLIC

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Adoration Confession, Wednesday, 4:30-5:20 p.m.

JEWISH

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MUSLIM

Jumah Prayers, Friday, 12:30 p.m.

Community Center Chapel

CATHOLIC WORSHIP

Mass: Saturday, 4 p.m., Sunday, 9 a.m.
Tuesday - Friday, 11:30 a.m.
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PROTESTANT WORSHIP SERVICE

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