

380th's Got Talent



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On the cover

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Information Manager of the Month

Brig Gen Lawrence Wells, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Commander, presents a certificate of congratulations to MSgt John McKinnon, 380th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, for being the 380 AEW Outstanding Information Manager of the Month for February.

Action Line

If you have a question or comment you would like to direct to the wing commander, send an e-mail with subject line "Commander's Forum" to: 380aew.pa@adab.centaf.af.mil. The commander will provide a response by e-mail for most issues; however, Public Affairs may consolidate duplicate questions and print the responses in a future issue of the Sand Script. Members are encouraged to work issues through their chain of command prior to using the forum.

Question: *When will we see wireless Internet available in the dormitories?*

Response: *While we're discussing additional indoor access to mitigate difficulties with the heat we'll soon be experiencing, wireless Internet access will remain available only in public areas.*

Our base and the "shape" of the wireless signal were designed to encourage social interaction required for our mission-critical teambuilding efforts. This design has allowed us to bring Airmen in during each rotation from 50 different bases and quickly function as a well-oiled machine, flying the frag to win the war. By providing wireless only in public areas, we get "eyes on" all of our wingmen and avoid interrupting critical sleep of our members by not allowing internet use in dorm rooms while roommates are trying to sleep. We all agree wireless is a good thing, and encourage communication between our Airmen and their families and friends, but would not want wireless usage to interfere with our mission which requires interaction with each other in the "analog world."

Perspective

'What keeps me going is goals'

by Lt Col Jay Bickley

964th Expeditionary Airborne Air Control Squadron Commander

Muhammad Ali once said of his drive and determination to be the best, "What keeps me going is goals."

Setting and achieving goals is a very important trait of all successful people and should be one of yours. Goals come in all shapes and sizes; they can be long or short-term and can range from very basic to very complex, it's really up to you. The important thing is that you have them.

I would venture to say most of us set goals for this deployment. Whether professional or personal improvement goals, I would guess that the vast majority of us had a few things in mind when we hit the ground here eight weeks ago. That's right, eight weeks ago. Hard to believe, but true. So, as we near the midpoint of our deployment,

reflect and ask yourself how you're doing. Are you on track, falling behind, or well ahead of where you need to be to make your goals a reality? Only you know for sure.

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**- Lt Col Jay Bickley,
 964 EAACS/CC**

Depending on the complexity of your goals, time is running out. Will you lose that 10 pounds, or will the temptation of the rotating calorie monster in the Dining Facility and the unlimited candy supply in Roy's Diner get the best of you? Will you finish your professional military education or will you return home to your families and still have to spend nights studying and explaining why you can't spend time with them? The answers to these questions are up to you.

Take advantage of your time here. Don't count the days remaining and let the thoughts of going home dominate. Look at it as time that's running out; time that you will need to accomplish your goals and make yourself better.

380th's Got Talent

Congratulations to SSgt Michel Kasday, 380th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, pictured on front page, who claimed the top prize of \$300 in the 380th's Got Talent contest Saturday. Congratulations to Capts Ryan Isokane and Steve Eschmann, below left and center, who took second place in the competition. SSgt Joseph Ippolito, right, along with A1C Michael Hargon, took third place. The 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron held the event which featured 12 acts.

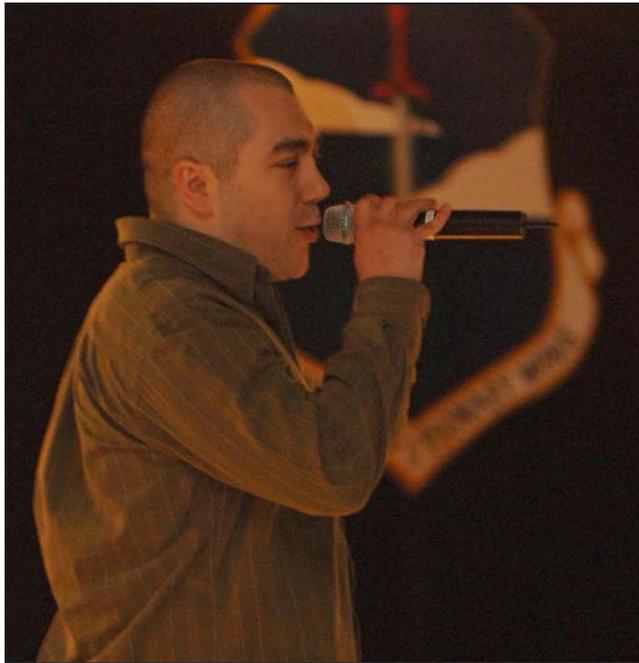


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The Ugli Stick brings 'bama sound to 380 AEW

Alabama-based recording artists, The Ugli Stick, rocked the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing at the Pavilion Saturday. The group also played for the 380 AEW on Thursday.



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

Gate 1 open

A1C Christopher Campbell, 380th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, lets Col Bruce VanSkiver, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Vice Commander, through Gate 1 after its ribbon cutting Saturday. All off-base travel passes will be given and collected there and the sign-out log for Runner's Road will be maintained there.



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

Bazaar

Airmen browse the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Bazaar at the Pavilion Sunday.



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Get On the Bus

The 380th Air Expeditionary Wing is conducting a test period for shuttle bus service intended for shift change transport. For schedule information, see the 380 AEW Daily Bulletin or contact 380th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron Vehicle Operations at 434-2257.



courtesy photos

In-flight re-enlistment

Above: SSgt Carl Wise (right), 908th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, re-enlists during a KC-10 mission with assistance from Lt Col Bob Hock, 380th Expeditionary Operations Group Deputy Commander recently.

Right: Sergeant Wise back to work after the ceremony, offloading fuel to another aircraft.



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

Wing Warrior Day

CMSgt Fredrick Ricker, 380th Expeditionary Mission Support Group, takes a look at a booth during the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Warrior Day at the Oasis Dining Facility Levitow Room Wednesday. Emergency Management, Explosive Ordnance Disposal, and Bioenvironmental were on hand to answer contingency response question.



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French Airmen tour E-3 Sentry

French E-3 Sentry pilots receive a tour of a 964th Expeditionary Airborne Air Control Squadron E-3 Sentry Saturday. The French Airmen are here in preparation for Exercise Iron Falcon.



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Texas Senator visits with 380 AEW Airmen

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Texas, shakes hands with Lt Col Dave Tuck, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Exercises and Plans, as she spends time with 380 AEW Airmen from her state Feb. 22. Senator Hutchison stopped here to refuel her aircraft during a tour of the Central Command Area of Responsibility to better understand the quality of life of deployed military members.

Fuels Airman claims Air Force record

by SrA Ross M. Tweten
380th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

Gas, gas, gas ...

Nope, this isn't a chemical warfare drill; this is what's been on A1C Zechariah Coe's mind the entire month.

Airman Coe, a fuels distribution operator with the 380th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, broke the Air Force-wide record for most fuel pumped in one month Monday when he issued 36,213 gallons, giving him a total of 3,580,489 gallons pumped, with four days left to go in the month. See next week's Sand Script for the final tally of Airman Coe's record setting month.

"As far as my Air Force career goes, this is my greatest accomplishment," said Airman Coe. "It's good to know I'm on the top of the list, but I couldn't have done it without the non-stop support of my fellow operators."

Airman Coe said breaking a record like this is truly a team effort. Resource Controllers, Bulk Storage, Preventative Maintenance, Crew Chiefs, Expeditors, and the Fuels Lab, all had key roles in helping Airman Coe achieve his goal.

According to TSgt Donna Smith, 380 ELRS fuels distribution, this record is huge in the fuels world.

"It can take as long as six months to pump one million gallons stateside," she said. "To pump over three million in less than a month is an astonishing achievement."

Airman Coe said he did run into some difficulties throughout the month, such as high winds and cold weather, but the reward of being recognized among his peers was worth it.

Airman Coe's job is straightforward; to fuel aircraft in a safe and efficient manner. He's done that, to say the least, and he now adds his name to the list of Airmen who are going above and beyond to help win the Global War On Terror.



photos by SrA Levi Riendeau



Airman of the Week

TSgt Mark Cornell



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

Squadron: 380th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron

Home Unit: Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

Best part of the job: Meeting firefighters from various backgrounds and creating a team that supports each other no matter what the circumstances.

Where do you see yourself in five years: Enjoying every minute I have with my wife, two boys, and St. Bernard and proudly serving my country as I move up the enlisted ranks.

Favorite movie: Any comedy with a Saturday Night Live cast member.

Supervisor's Comments: Sergeant Cornell is one of the main reasons the fire department has had a smooth transition conducting operations. As a Battalion Chief at Station 2, Sergeant Cornell is responsible for the fire protection at Phantom East and he has done an outstanding job in both training and motivating the firefighters he supervises. He leads by example, is meticulous in his planning, and is the consummate team player. Sergeant Cornell has a great future in the fire protection career field and I'm very fortunate to work with him.

Community Standards

Tip of the Week

Personnel will depart with all uniforms. This applies whether traveling via commercial carrier or military aircraft. Only unserviceable uniforms are allowed to remain within the AOR. All unserviceable uniforms will have all name tapes and rank insignia removed and then be cut, sliced, or shredded into multiple pieces (all items cut into thirds) and then tossed into the "Unserviceable Uniforms" bin in front of building 300.

The Airman's Creed

I am an American Airman.
I am a Warrior.
I have answered my Nation's call.

I am an American Airman.
My mission is to Fly, Fight, and Win.
I am faithful to a Proud Heritage,
A Tradition of Honor,
And a Legacy of Valor.

I am an American Airman.
Guardian of Freedom and Justice,
My Nation's Sword and Shield,
Its Sentry and Avenger.
I defend my Country with my Life.

I am an American Airman.
Wingman, Leader, Warrior.
I will never leave an Airman behind,
I will never falter,
And I will not fail.



Winner

“Contrary to popular belief, not all firefighters know the correct Heimlich procedure.”

MSgt Thomas
Wilkes
380th Expeditionary
Communications
Squadron

Other submissions:

“For some reason, Twister didn’t seem like so much work last time I played.”

TSgt James Lindsey, 380th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron

“Thank goodness there are only nine more steak and shrimp nights left in this rotation.”

Lt Col Dave Evans, 964th Expeditionary Airborne Air Control Squadron

“I don’t remember seeing this during Self Aid and Buddy Care training.”

SSgt Michael Langer 964th Expeditionary Airborne Air Control Squadron

Caption Contest

Send your caption to 380aew.pa@adab.centaf.af.mil by 1700 Wednesday.

Captions should be in good taste and no more than 25 words. The winner’s name and unit will be published in next week’s Sand Script.

