

# Keeping the 380th energized





### On the cover

SSgt Michael Robinson, 380th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, checks the voltage of a charging U-2 Dragon Lady battery at Hangar 3 Thursday. Photo by SrA Levi Riendeau.

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### ANG Services Airman of the Year

Brig Gen Lawrence Wells, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Commander, presents an RMO to SrA Jamira Lumpkin, 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron. Airman Lumpkin was recently named the Air National Guard Services Airman of the Year. Airman Lumpkin's home station is the 136th Services Flight, Carswell, Texas.

### Action Line

**Action Line question:** What are the basic rules, procedures, and policies outlining security practices at the Vehicle Search Area (VSA)? Why are personal affects being scrutinized (backpacks, purses, briefcases, etc), and why can't I be present (in the area of my vehicle) when the search is conducted?

**Action Line response:** This is a good point about informing our warriors about why we do what we do at the VSA. Here's what I say to our warriors: When you enter a military installation, you consent to a thorough search of your property. We vary our search patterns and routines so we don't become predictable and that keeps the enemy guessing. Our intent is to make this base so secure that anyone thinking about attacking our home will bypass us and move on to a less secure location. Based on the ever changing threat level, we randomly start and stop various force protection measures—some of those measures are more intrusive than others. My commander's intent is that our defenders should, based on the threat condition, conduct thorough searches to ensure we are safe. In addition, our defenders should conduct the search in a professional and polite manner. I hope this answers your question.

► 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.afcent.af.mil](mailto:380aew.pa@adab.afcent.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. People are encouraged to work issues through their chain of command prior to using the forum.

## Perspective

# Taking care of Airmen: A common theme

by Lt Col Jessica MacDonald  
380th Expeditionary Services Squadron Commander

We've all heard the phrase, "Take care of your Airmen."

In fact, one of the Chief of Staff of the Air Force's three priorities is to "Take Care of our People."

Likewise, Brig Gen Lawrence Wells, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Commander, made "Taking care of Airmen" one of his top goals for the 380 AEW.

It must be important if our top leadership says it is, but what does it mean, and how can you help?

Taking care of Airmen involves a wide spectrum of efforts on all of our parts. To do it well, we need to ensure the highest quality of life standards. We need to treat Airmen with respect. We need to keep our people safe, reward them for their hard work, offer opportunities for people to learn and grow through education, and keep people mission focused. Finally, we need to always remember to be kind to each other.

The Air Force understands that people are its most valuable asset. Our leadership understands that mission success is inextricably tied to taking care of people.

Gen T. Michael Moseley said, "We recognize the direct linkages between quality of life and its impacts on our recruiting, retention, and mission capability. While we recruit Airmen, we retain families." People want to work and live in a positive environment. Each of us has a role in making this environment one that Air Force people not only want to join, but also continue to improve.

Your 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron exists to take care of you by providing a place to rest your head, a hot meal, fitness programs, and of course recreation. Yet, it doesn't stop there. You have an active role in taking care of Airmen as well. You can offer a helping hand, a smile, or a listening ear. When you ask how someone is doing as you walk by, you can wait for their answer. You can offer some encouragement if they seem low. You can try to stay positive and lift others up even when the hours are long, the sun is hot, and you miss your family. We're all Airmen who want to know that what we do makes a difference. We all need to care and be cared for by one another.

Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Rodney J. McKinley in his recent article *Caring* said, "You can make a difference in their [Airmen's] lives with a caring attitude and behavior that is representative of our Air Force's core values." Make it a point to take care of Airmen today.

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**- Lt Col Jessica MacDonald,  
380 ESVS Commander**

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### AFCENT Commander visits 380th

Above: Lt Gen Gary North, Air Forces Central Commander, talks to a group of Airmen during a visit to the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing recently.

Below: General North visits with SrA Adam Borrello, 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron, at the Chapman's Activity Center during a tour of the base.



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### 380th Military Working Dog passes

Left: A flag is handed to SSgt Bryan Sodders, 380th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, during a retreat ceremony, conducted by the 380th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, to honor the passing of Jack, Military Working Dog, Friday. Sergeant Sodders was Jack's handler. Jack passed away on April 1 while serving his fifth deployment to the Area of Responsibility.

Right: MSgt Wiley Hudson, 380 ESFS, delivers the eulogy during the ceremony.

# 380th Airmen seeking higher education at an increased rate

by SrA Ross M. Tweten  
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The 380th Air Expeditionary Wing's Education Office is set this month to surpass the number of Airmen it tested during the whole of the previous Air and Space Expeditionary Force rotation.

A total of 811 Airmen completed various post secondary and professional military education tests during the previous AEF rotation. Currently, the number of tests administered for this rotation is just shy of 800.

According to TSgt Martin McClain of the 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron's Education Office, the 380 AEW has also tested significantly more Airmen than most bases throughout the Area of Responsibility. Compared to most bases throughout

the AOR who administer roughly 30 tests per week, the 380 AEW has been administering 65 on average.

"The process of taking these tests is considerably easy," said Sergeant McClain. "All you have to do is check out the material from the Learning Resource Center and whenever you think you're ready, come in and schedule a test. All it costs a person is time.

"The main goal for education centers downrange is testing," he said. "We have 55 different CLEP, DSST, and Excelsior titles."

The 380 AEW's Education Office holds three testing sessions per day from 0900 to 1800 Monday through Saturday. For more information on testing, call Sergeant McClain at 434-3748.



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

The Honorable Craig Duehring, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Washington, D.C. talks to a group of Airmen during a visit to the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing recently.

## Assistant Secretary of AF for Manpower and Reserve Affairs visits 380th

by Capt Martin Gerst  
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The Honorable Craig Duehring, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Washington, D.C. met with Airmen to discuss important issues affecting them as he made another stop on his tour of the deployed theater.

Mr. Duehring, met with several Air Force Active Duty, Guard and Reserve members deployed to the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing and discussed several topics including deployment cycles, manpower cuts, Air Force end-strength, and the new Airman Battle Uniform.

Mr. Duehring's a political appointee who heads a four-division department that deals at the policy level with Air Force manpower and Reserve affairs issues. The purpose of his visit was to gather information on deployments and effects they have

on Airmen.

"As an enlisted representative for my unit, I was able to express my concerns about current ABU design," said MSgt Keith Custer, 380th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron First Sergeant. "Specifically, I addressed the weight of the material and its non-suitability to this environment."

Airmen raised concerns about the increasing length and frequency of deployments. And some Guard members were concerned about the impact on them in filling those requirements and being able to maintain their jobs at home when called to active duty.

"Our goal is flexibility," said Mr. Duehring. "If we don't meet their needs, they're not going to be able to meet ours."

"It was definitely a good forum to up-channel information from the field to key leadership," said SMSgt Arris Hill, 380 ESFS.



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### 380th's Got Talent 2

Airmen participate in the first round of the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing's Got Talent 2 contest Saturday. Congratulations to the following Airmen who advanced to the final round of the contest, scheduled for Saturday at 2000: Capt Fred Hessel, Capt Steve Eschmann, Capt Ryan Isokane, TSgt Micheal Davis, SSgt Keisha Lewis, SrA Janay James, A1C Hoyt Dingus, and A1C Matthew Gibson.



courtesy photo

### KC-10 Launch Sequence

SrA Joshua Deckman, SSgt Cassandra Risken, and A1C Justin Harris, all from the 380th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, KC-10 Extender Aircraft Maintenance Unit, after a KC-10 Launch Sequence with Col Bruce VanSkiver, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing Vice Commander, Monday.

## Articles 15

The following Airman received nonjudicial punishment:

► A SrA received a suspended reduction to A1C, suspended forfeiture of \$225.00 pay, and a reprimand for sleeping on post while receiving special pay under 37 U.S.C. sec 310.

► An officer received forfeitures of \$575.00 pay for two months and a reprimand for fraternizing with an enlisted member and violating USAFCENT GO-1B, introduction and possession of pornography.



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### Airman Appreciation

Airmen participate in various events during the Airman Appreciation Barbecue Friday. The day featured a barbecue, movie, volleyball, and flag football.



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

### Eagles vs. Chiefs softball

CMSgt Frederick Ricker, 380th Expeditionary Mission Support Group, takes a cut during the Eagles vs. Chiefs softball game Tuesday. The Chiefs defeated the Eagles 24-15.



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### Elite Host Nation Soccer Tournament

380th Air Expeditionary Wing Airmen along with Host Nation members compete in the Elite Host Nation Soccer Tournament Monday. The Host Nation Soccer finals have been decided and two 380 AEW teams will be competing against two teams from the Host Nation in games scheduled for next week. For more information, contact the 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron.





# Fire Muster

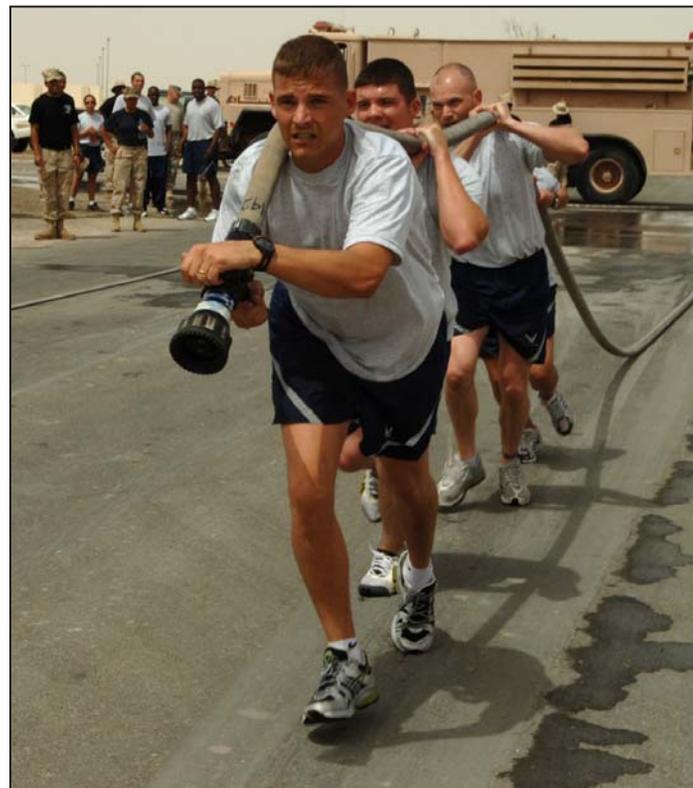
Left: SMSgt John Ring, 380th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron Fire Protection Flight Chief, reads a letter from Mr. Gordon Felt, President of the United Flight 93 Family association, for the unveiling of the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing's new United Flight 93 Memorial before the Fire Protection Flight's Fire Muster Saturday.

Right: New Flight 93 Memorial

Below: Airmen participate in the several competitions of the Fire Muster. Congratulations to the 380th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron Team 2 for taking first place in the muster. The event included a Midnight Alarm Relay, Dummy Drag and Litter Carry, Hose Rull Up and Pull Relay, Hose Connection and Water Stream, Water Ball Challenge, and a Bucket Brigade.



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# 'Fueling' the flightline

by SrA Ross M. Tweten  
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It's the last of its breed.

Soon it will be extinct, and replaced.

Until then, it's business as usual for the Airmen of the 380th Air Expeditionary Wing who run the last Containerized Deployment Kitchen, more commonly known as Roy's Diner, in the Air Forces Central Area of Responsibility.

The nature of a CDK is to generally be used as the main Dining Facility (DFAC) in the early stages of a base's deployment, and later transitioned to the flightline to better support airfield personnel.

380 AEW already features a modern Dining Facility, The Oasis, while the CDK has been servicing flightline personnel. But now the CDK has run its natural course and will be replaced with a fully functional flightline DFAC

before the year is out. In the mean time, 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron Airmen continue their own brand of fueling the fight in their distinct setting.

"The Airmen who work at the CDK are vital to the 380th's mission," said Lt Col Jessica MacDonald, 380 ESVS Commander. "They fuel the fight by providing quality, nutritious meals to Airmen, and they do it with a smile. The CDK exists so that Airmen who work on the flightline can enjoy a hot meal four times a day without leaving the area in which they work."

Most of the food is cooked at the Oasis and then trucked to Roy's. AEF 1/2's CDK team, however, has taken their mission a step further. Despite the fact that the CDK has insufficient space for much cooking equipment, this team has adapted and overcome to provide homemade meals made from scratch such as stuffed fish, chicken and dumplings, and a Mexican feast.

"Working in the CDK is great because we're able to really interact with the people we serve," said SrA Jamira Lumpkin, 380 ESVS. "We talk to the maintainers, pilots, and flight crews, and it's very much a relaxed atmosphere."



photos by SrA Levi Riendeau

**MSgt Mary Creegan, 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron Containerized Deployment Kitchen Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge, takes inventory of the stock room at the CDK.**

According to MSgt Mary Creegan, 380 ESVS CDK Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge, the CDK is basically a satellite of the DFAC. They serve virtually everything the main DFAC can serve, just on a smaller scale. It's

menu is made roughly 50 percent from scratch and 50 percent premade from the main DFAC.

The Airmen of the CDK are typically on their feet the entire day. Combined with the heat, the duty day can become arduous, but it comes with satisfaction.

"It's rewarding to receive feedback when a customer is satisfied," said A1C Arnold Thompson, 380 ESVS. "It's great to read positive comment cards and hear people come up and say 'Hey, good job, we loved the food today'. The appreciation we receive is worth the hard work."

**Far left: SrA Melissa Chesser, 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron, makes mashed potatoes at the Containerized Deployment Kitchen.**

**Left: A1C Arnold Thompson, 380th ESVS, checks the temperature of barbeque ribs at the CDK.**



# What does the Airman's Creed mean to you?

"The Airman's Creed is our contract to our nation, and the words 'I am a Warrior' echo loudly around the world every day. American Airmen serve around the clock, around the globe, answering our nation's call, defending our right to freedom."

- CMSgt Mark Nicklas,  
380th Expeditionary Aircraft  
Maintenance Squadron



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



"I'm part of an elite group of men and women who have unselfishly raised their hands and committed themselves to protecting our nation's freedom."

- SrA Adam Borrello,  
380th Expeditionary  
Services Squadron

"Standing up and fighting for what you believe in and being proud of what you stand for."

- SrA Pamela Williams,  
380th Expeditionary Aircraft  
Maintenance Squadron



*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.*



"For the success of a focused and dedicated mission, we must continually strive to build upon our foundation as Airmen by honoring those from our past and preparing those in our future."

- 2d Lt Gregory Long,  
380th Expeditionary  
Services Squadron

"I've chosen to serve and fight our nation's wars and I have chosen to be readily available to give the ultimate sacrifice."

- SSgt Lisa Marie Baza,  
380th Expeditionary  
Services Squadron



*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.*



"As individuals, we each make unique contributions and sacrifices to guarantee the overall success of the mission."

- Maj Tory Woodard,  
380th Expeditionary  
Medical Group

"Our strength and ability to overcome any obstacle, not as individuals, but as a team, stems from our commitment to ourselves, to each other, to our leaders, and to our nation"

- TSgt Kevin Jones,  
908th Expeditionary  
Air Refueling Squadron



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



"I'm part of something larger than myself. As long as I'm capable, I will complete my mission regardless of the sacrifices."

- SrA Daniel Hansen,  
380th Expeditionary  
Communications Squadron

# Warrior of the Week

SrA Jamira Lumpkin



photo by SrA Levi Riendeau

## 380th Expeditionary Services Squadron

Duty title: Services Craftsman

Home Unit: 136th Air Wing, Fort Worth, Texas

Hobbies: Playing basketball and watching movies

Where do you see yourself in five years: Obtaining a master's degree in Criminal Justice and becoming a commissioned Services officer.

Supervisor's Comments: Airman Lumpkin is a pleasure to work with. She has played a major role in developing new menu items at Roy's Diner and has been instrumental in planning and coordinating several distinguished visitor luncheons. Her attitude is a morale booster within the flight.

# Community Standards Tip of the Week

## Swimwear:

► Swimsuits are authorized as outer garments only within the immediate vicinity of the pool (i.e. the pool and surrounding deck area). Swimsuits can be worn underneath any combination of PT gear to and from the pool.



Also, please remember the following:

- Must be fully clothed when transiting to and from the pool
- No swimsuits in the DFAC
- Swimwear must be conservative in style
- Men will wear only trunk-style swim suits
- Sunbathing is only permitted at the base pool
- No thongs, and bathing suit tops must remain fastened





## *Winner*

**“The new hot and spicy Mongolian BBQ got a little out of control.”**

**- SSgt Jake Laird,  
380th Expeditionary  
Services Squadron**

### **Other submissions:**

**“Firemen of the 380th do a test run of the elimination round for the Fire Muster.”**

Capt Barton Boma, 908th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron

**“I guess the DFAC staff was right after all; okay, no cheese sandwiches in the toaster, I get it.”**

Maj Pux Barnes, 964th Expeditionary Airborne Air Control Squadron

**“I know they said it gets hot here, but this is ridiculous.”**

CMSgt Kevin Slater, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing/CCC

**“Wow ... Is someone going to get this?”**

SrA Azucena Jordan, 380th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron

## Caption Contest

Send your caption to [380aew.pa@adab.afcent.af.mil](mailto:380aew.pa@adab.afcent.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.

