

## AF gets \$\$\$ worth

RANDOLPH AFB, TX (AFNS) —Beginning Sept. 1, airmen entering certain training courses must either extend their enlistment or reenlist to insure the Air Force a fair return for training costs.

Questions about extending or reenlisting to attend school should be directed to local training officials.

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## AFIT pick on way

RANDOLPH AFB, TX (AFNS) —Air Weather Service officers can expect to be among approximately 4,000 officer applicants to attend the FY 1978 Air Force Institute of Technology. Officials said quotas may be 570-master's degree, 70-doctoral degrees and 128-education with industry. Release of the selection list is expected in mid-December.

# Weathermen save drowning teen

OMAHA, NE—When the young, teenage friend of 14-year-old Debra Henderson panicked because her friend did not surface in the apartment swimming pool, three weather men went into action.

The time was shortly before 6 p.m. and the water of the pool was already murky when Debra Henderson walked out on the diving board. No one saw exactly what happened next, but Debra's young friend realized that after the splash, caused when Debra reached the water, the swimmer's head had never surfaced.

Hearing the friend's call of alarm, three Offutt AFB weather men ran to poolside. One of them, Sgt. Gary Delinks, a weather equipment repairman assigned to Detachment 1, 3rd Weather Wing (WW), didn't stop to look but dived in to search for the missing girl. According to Sergeant Delinks, "I could barely see the girl on the bottom of the pool. She was just kind of drifting."

As the seemingly lifeless girl was pulled to the surface, the other men, SrA David Pares, a

systems analyst assigned to the Air Force Global Weather Central, and A1C Pat McLin, an observer with the 3WW, helped her out of the water. As Sergeant Delinks administered mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to the victim, Airman Pares treated a deep scalp wound Debra had apparently gotten from the diving board, an accident which seemingly knocked her unconscious and allowed her to sink helplessly below the water.

As the two men worked to save the girl's life, Airman McLin called the police on a nearby telephone. Moments later, when the police and a rescue unit arrived, they found the young girl still badly injured, but alive and conscious.

Later, Debra was admitted to Omaha's Midlands Community Hospital where she was placed in the intensive care unit. There she was treated for excessive water in her lungs, a severe laceration on the back of her head, and a skull fracture. Two days later she was reportedly recovering satisfactorily, thanks to three weather men enjoying a day off.



DURING A SPECIAL CEREMONY in Hawaii Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Aldrich, 22nd Air Force commander and a former Air Weather Service commander, presented the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award to the 1st Weather Wing (WW) and its former 10th and 20th Weather Squadrons (WS). It is the 1WW's fifth such award since its founding in 1945. For the 1WW and 20WS the award was earned between July 1, 1974 and June 30, 1976. For the 10WS the period

covered was July 1, 1975 through Sept. 30, 1975. Witnessing the presentation were, left to right, 1st Lt. Edward Woodward, CMSgt. Bertram Grigsby, General Aldrich, A1C Julie Querry, SSgt. Edward Pzyrk and A1C Wentworth Newman, holding the standard. The awards came under Special Order GB-171, dated Mar 14, 1977 and an amendment dated June 23, 1977, which added the 10WS. (U.S. Air Force photo)

# Initial RIMS installed at Palehua

by Capt. Bruce D. Springer  
PALEHUA, HI—After four months of construction and two months of tests and evaluation, installation of the first Air Weather Service (AWS) AN/FRR-95 Radio Interference Measuring Set (RIMS) was complete.

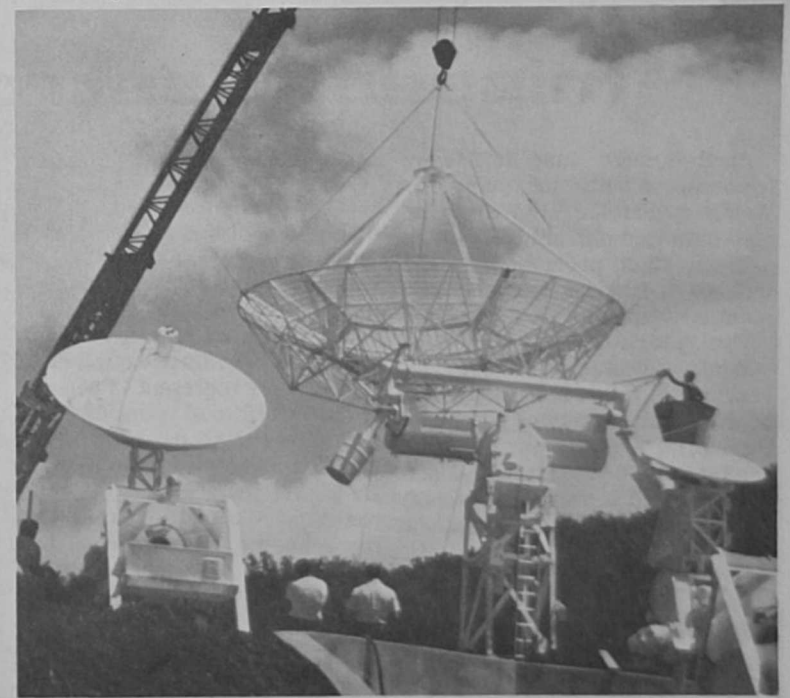
In 1974, Detachment 6, 1st Weather Wing, the U.S. Air Force Palehua Solar Observatory, was chosen as the site for the first \$3.5 million RIMS. Two more identical systems, according to AWS plans, will be built during the next three years. The three RIMS systems, when joined by a similar Air Force Geophysics Laboratory system at Sagamore Hill, MA, will make up the AWS Radio Solar Telescope Network (RSTN).

The RSTN will provide Space Environmental Support System (SESS) forecasters at Air Force Global Weather Central (AFGWC), Offutt AFB, NE, a rapid, comprehensive analysis of unusual solar radio emissions. Its information is particularly useful to SESS forecasters trying to predict the effects of solar disturbances on military space missions.

The RIMS system at the Palehua Observatory is collocated with the

AWS AN/FMQ-7 Solar Observing Optical Network (SOON) telescope. At present, only the SOON system is automated,

however, it is possible that, if approved for financing, both the SOON and RSTN systems may be controlled by a single computer.



THE FIRST Air Weather Service AN/FRR-95 Radio Interference Measuring Set (RIMS) nears completion at the Palehua Solar Observatory as its 28-foot parabolic antenna is placed in position. The Palehua Observatory is operated by Detachment 6, 1st Weather Wing and is in Hawaii. (U.S. Air Force photo by Capt. Bruce D. Springer).

## Unit realignments adjust AWS service

SCOTT AFB, IL—As directed by Air Force, two Air Weather Service (AWS) units will be activated and 19 others around the world inactivated this month.

The two units being activated are Operating Location (OL) B, 2nd Weather Squadron (WS); and Detachment (Det.) 23, 7th Weather Wing (WW), both at Kirtland AFB, NM.

Det. 30, 26WS, Kincheloe AFB, MI, was inactivated Sept. 1, as were the 11WS' Alaska-based OL-A, Sparrevohn AFB; OL-B, Tatalina AFS; OL-C, Indian Mountain AFS; OL-E, Cape Lisburn; OL-F, Newenham AFS; OL-G, Cape Romanzof; and OL-H, Tin City AFS. On Sept. 30 Det. 3, 1WW, Yokota AB, Japan and Det. 51, 2WW, Rhein-Main AB, Germany will be inactivated.

Also to be inactivated on Sept. 30 are Det. 16, 24WS, Webb AFB, TX; Det. 21, 24WS, Craig AFB, AL; Det. 23, 2WS, Kirtland AFB, NM; and the 6WS' Det. 1, Kelly AFB, TX; Det. 2, McClellan AFB, CA; Det. 3, McGuire AFB, NJ; Det. 4, Robins AFB, GA; Det. 5, WPAFB, OH; and Det. 6, Ellsworth AFB, SD.

The 6WS units, along with the organizations at Yokota AB and Rhein-Main AB, were maintenance units previously slated to become part of the Air Force Communications Service (AFCS). Their inactivation should result in the transfer to AFCS of nine officers, 759 enlisted people and 17 civilians.

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# Command line

## 'Real leadership stands out like a neon sign'

In units I visit, those with real leadership stand out like a neon sign in the middle of a New York City blackout. It is apparent when you walk in the door; the facility looks good and so do the people. Actually, in some cases I can tell how good a unit is even before walking into Base Operations, because the wing commander or operations officer will have already told me they have the best weather unit in the Air Force. An accolade like that is not freely given. It is earned through team effort by the entire unit, not just the work of key supervisors.

In those kinds of units I find no opposition to the initiatives Air Weather Service (AWS) has fostered to sustain our service and keep our up trend in product quality. Why no opposition? Because the units' people have made the effort to be informed on the initiatives, themselves, and have thoroughly discussed the whys and wherefores.

### WELL INFORMED

Terms like SCLA, AWDS, station chief, etc., are not words from a foreign language at these units. Certainly, I still get questions from the people, but the questions reflect a full problem appreciation only gained if one is well informed. They have a right to hear it from me, and I respect that.

I will tell you what you won't find in these units though. You won't find evidence of what I call the "It

won't work" syndrome. You won't find hard-nosed senior NCOs who eagerly seek opportunities to elaborate at length on why the Single Career Ladder for airmen won't work (which usually winds up as a eulogy for the chief observer sanctuary).

You also won't find the ranking NCOs holding forth on the impossible tasks of the station chief. Remember, I told you these are units where leadership and teamwork are a way of life; everyone has a piece of the action and shoulders his or her responsibilities.

### THEY'RE AWARE

The station chief in any of these units will have plenty of additional duty help available from other unit NCOs and, where workloads are real, full time assistants will be authorized. If the station chief hasn't read AFR 39-6, doesn't understand that NCOs have responsibilities beyond their job specialty, and insists on going it alone—you bet he can't get there from here. The detachment commander (Detco) who tried it that way in days past couldn't either, despite the fact that he had a chief forecaster and chief observer under the old career ladder.

You also won't find a crusty civilian forecaster who just can't go along with progress (and who everyone knows will leave when the station chief comes) taking the entire world's meteorological knowledge with him. Try that argument on the super group of young forecasters coming out of Chanute AFB (IL) who burn



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up the course and set new skill score records in the progress.

You won't find unhappiness about ONLY having responsibility for the first six hours of the terminal aerodrome forecast (TAF). Instead, you will find full awareness of the challenge that a good short-range forecast presents. Unnecessary severe weather warnings and unforecast ceilings and visibilities which impact base activities and aircraft operations will be under attack by such a unit. Their skill scores will show it—so will the attitude of the people they serve.

### STAND-OUTS

As I said in the beginning, leadership is the key, and units which have it are obvious stand-outs. Does your unit stand out? If your answer is negative, take a look at yourself—you may just be the missing ingredient. I can tell you this, for certain! Those people in units that stand out (whether they be officers or airmen) don't really have to worry about their future. They don't have to worry because they will get the results in today's job which tells us where to get tomorrow's officer and NCO leaders.

## Enlisted line

# Stripe lists bring hits, misses, destroyed myths

April through June 1977 were traumatic months for many Air Weather Service (AWS) non-commissioned officers (NCOs). In a 75-day span, promotions to E-5 through E-9 were released and reactions varied.

This year's list had its first—25150A selections for E-5; full year cycles to E-6 and E-7; and a board and Weighted Airman Promotion System (WAPS) combination for E-8 and E-9. Each list answered some questions, left some unanswered and created new ones.

### FACTS

Total objective plan for career airmen personnel (TOPCAP) does what it is designed to do, keeps promotions open. Korean buildup retirees helped produce the largest cycles in years. WAPS factors are greatly controlled by the competitor and most of them going for E-5 through E-9 maxed the 135 airman performance report (APR) points. Few E-5 through E-7 eligibles had decorations. Those items represent 29 and five per cent, respectively, of the WAPS total.

### OVERCOME

The way to overcome an "8" APR (the most you can lose is three points), decoration advantages, time-in-grade (TIG) or time-in-service (TIS) is to have better skill knowledge test (SKT) and promotion fitness exam (PFE) scores. They represent 43 per cent of the WAPS total. Consider this: two staff sergeants, a 302XX and a 251XX, were selected for E-6 with six years, three months TIS and one year, seven months TIG, respectively. They did it on their SKT and PFE scores.

When you compete for E-6 and E-7, you prepare records which will compete for E-8 and E-9 too. Get your professional military education now. It can help your PFE score, give you Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) credits, and may soon be worth points for E-5 through E-7 WAPS. Get your CCAF evaluation, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and a few college courses and you may be eligible for an associate degree. Try for additional duties and jobs that make the boards take notice.

Mainly start now. Some NCOs waited too long—until they were eligible for E-8 and E-9.

### BROKEN MYTHS

Myths shattered included: "We're headed for a promotion freeze;" "experienced chief observers who go to forecaster school will get all the super-grade stripes;" "retrainees will hurt the promotion prospects for longtime AWSers."

E-8 and E-9 non-selectees take note. You were average if you: maxed the 135 APR points (98 per cent of the USAF had "9s") and got max 35 points for PME (95 per cent of AWS selectees had completed the NCO and Senior NCO Academies one way or another). It appears the board was impressed by records showing PME completion by correspondence and then in residence. AWS had four E-8 and E-9 eligibles complete Squadron Officers School (SOS) by correspondence and two were chosen for promotion well ahead of their peers. You were average in AWS if you scored 76 on the USAF Supervisors Exam (USAFSE).

The E-8 and E-9 WAPS concept

provided some visibility, although not complete visibility. Max WAPS points for PME is 35, but it appears the board reacted when a person had more than the minimum PME. An APR with even a few blocks below "9" influences the board. If you have this problem, look for something extra to overcome it.

You will have USAFSE study guides this year. Each AWS E-8 and E-9 can, by the cutoff date, have about two years of college on his records. A few hours taking CLEP tests and a half hour in the Education Office for a CCAF evaluation could make a difference. The AF-wide selection ratio for E-9 this year was 21.5 per cent, but consider the following ratios based on education only: High school, 11 per cent; some college, 30 per cent; associate or vocational degree, 43 per cent. In many instances, CCAF evaluation of military service and schools, PME and CLEP was the only college the people had.

### NO LETUP

This year's selections may have only bent a couple of other myths. Most of this year's E-8 and E-9



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selectees never held a squadron, wing or AWS position and most did not have a general's indorsement. Obviously both are tie breakers in some instances, but neither overcome mediocre records. Boards are impressed by records of progression in job difficulty (five years in the same job is not progress), have management and supervisory experience, and plenty of additional duties and off-duty involvement.

If you were one, two or 10 on this year's non-select list and think you've got it made next time—even without pressing now, think again. The hardworking NCOs who were at the middle this year could give you a run for your money—or might even beat you out of the stripe you think is in your hip pocket.

MORE THAN A STATIC DISPLAY comes to one of the more than 150 delegates to the Gulf-Caribbean International Hurricane Conference at Biloxi, MS, near Keesler AFB. Sgt. Martha Kelly, a dropsonde systems operator with Detachment 5, Air Weather Service, gives him a demonstration of how the dropsonde equipment works. Sergeant Kelly flies aboard a WC-130 Hercules of the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo)



## From within . . .

### Commanders have rare conference

OFFUTT AFB, NE—Two weather organization commanders who rarely have an opportunity to consult directly, but who provide weather actions directly related to each other's unit, met here recently.

The occasion was the visit to the Air Force Global Weather Central (AFGWC) Commander, Col. Alphonse Gargiulo Jr., by the commander of the 920th Weather Reconnaissance Group (USAF Res.), Lt. Col. Charles Coleman. The 920th is at Keesler AFB, MS.

According to Capt. David P. Stangl, AFGWC unit information officer, "The 920th collects weather data over the Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea and coastal waters off the Eastern U.S."

He went on, "The information they gather goes from them to the Tealy Monitor in Miami, FL, which is collocated with the National Hurricane Center. The information is then sent electronically by way of Suitland, MD, to Carswell AFB, TX, where computers store and reproduce it for use by AFGWC forecasters."

The 920th commander spent the day seeing how the information his unit provides is analyzed and dispersed by AFGWC.

## Observation

### Senior men on move

SCOTT AFB, IL (MNS)—Military Airlift Command (MAC) personnel officials recently announced the assignment of several senior officers. One of those changing positions is a former Air Weather Service commander, Maj. Gen. John W. Collens III.

As of Aug. 1 General Collens is the MAC chief of staff. He replaced Maj. Gen. Harry A. Morris, who is now director of Personnel Plans, Air Force Headquarters, Washington, DC.

Other changes were Brig. Gen. (Maj. Gen. select) Edward J. Nash's move to become MAC deputy chief of staff (DCS) for Operations. He replaced Brig. Gen. Charles C. Irons. Brig. Gen. William E. Carson is MAC DCS for Logistics and Brig. Gen. Robert F. Coverdale, formerly at Pope AFB, NC, is now DCS for Plans here. Col. Benjamin N. Kraljev, formerly at Altus AFB, OK, moved to command the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing at Pope AFB.

### Airlift contracts let

SCOTT AFB, IL (MNS)—The Military Airlift Command (MAC) recently awarded contracts totaling \$62.126 million to seven commercial airlines for airlift support during fiscal year 1978.

MAC annually negotiates airlift contracts for the entire Department of Defense, based on rates established by the Civil Aeronautics Board. Commercial airlines carry about 90 per cent of MAC's passengers worldwide.

### Female pilots sought

WASHINGTON, DC (AFNS)—Air Force plans to expand its test program for women undergraduate pilot training. Applications are due at the Air Force Military Personnel Center by Sept. 30 for the nine training positions scheduled to be selected in October. Air Weather Service presently has one of its women attending the school. Training for the women now applying for pilot school is tentatively scheduled to begin in February 1978.

### Pay hike to retired

WASHINGTON, DC (AFNS)—Retired military and civilian workers will receive a 4.3 per cent cost of living increase as of the first of this month. Also, retired regular officers employed by

the government will get to keep more of their pay.

The raise for retired persons came due to a consumer price index rise. For the same reason retired regular officers working for the government may now retain \$4,219.10 plus 50 per cent of their remaining pay rather than 50 per cent and \$4,045.16. The next cost of living adjustment will occur in March 1978.

### MAC badges OK

SCOTT AFB, IL (MNS)—"Bring your own badge," was almost the word from security police officials here recently when they announced new procedures for entry to the Headquarters, Military Airlift Command (MAC). MAC members on temporary duty to Scott AFB may now enter unrestricted areas of the headquarters using home base restricted area badges. People without restricted area badges must either be escorted or obtain a temporary badge from either of the building's two security access points. It was pointed out that visitors will continue to be escorted while in the headquarters' command center.

### Colonel promotion criteria announced

SCOTT AFB, IL—Of interest to many Air Weather Service lieutenant colonels is the tentative criteria for temporary promotion to colonel as recently released by the Air Force Military Personnel Center.

Criteria for consideration in the primary zone include: Dec. 31, 1973 and earlier date of rank (1957 year group and officers promoted with that year group).

Secondary zone criteria include: date of rank of Jan. 1, 1974 through Dec. 31, 1975 (1958-1959 year groups and those officers promoted with those year groups).

Officers separating from the Air Force before Mar. 4, 1978, are not eligible for promotion consideration.

The central selection board plans to meet at Randolph AFB, TX, Dec. 5. The Military Airlift Command (MAC) secondary zone nomination board plans to meet here on Oct. 11.

Eligible officers should insure the records in their pre-selection folders are complete and accurate, MAC personnel officials advise.

### Unit tops goal twice

RAF CROUGHTON, UK—Of all units here, Detachment (Det.) 40, 2nd Weather Wing, had the highest contribution per person in this year's Air Force Assistance Fund campaign. Det. 40, led by unit project director, TSgt. Nevin C. Swartz, contributed more than 300 per cent of its goal.

### Name a prediction?

YOUNGSAN, KOREA—Naming their new daughter was not much of a problem for SSgt. and Mrs. Gregory W. Calkins, but the child's name could be a look into the future.

The Calkins used the oriental method to pick a name for their daughter—providing an astrologer the date, month, year and time of birth, then having him select the appropriate Chinese characters which make up the baby's name. The new Miss Calkins ended up with part of her name being Hyon, which, when translated to English, means "to be observant." A future weather observer?

### 2nd hosts met meet

KAPAUN AS, GERMANY—The 2nd Weather Wing hosted the senior meteorological representatives from the Allied Air Forces Central Europe (AAFCE) recently.

The AAFCE working group met at the request of E. Hanel, chief meteorological officer of the Allied Forces Central Europe (AFCENT). Representatives from Belgium, Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States and the North Atlantic Treaty Organizations Headquarters in the Central Region attended the meeting at Ramstein AB, Germany. They met to develop standardized support procedures to minimize differences in meteorological support provided by the Allied nations.

After the meeting, delegates toured facilities of Detachment 21, 2nd Weather Wing, Kindsbach, Germany.

### Base AFAF drive

### Det. 4 gives most

DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB, AZ—The people in Detachment (Det.) 4, 3rd Weather Squadron (WS) are not wealthy, but they apparently are well heeled with generosity. During Davis-Monthan AFB's recent Air Force Assistance Fund (AFAF) Drive Det. 4's \$259 donation meant that each person in the unit had averaged giving \$9.25. It was the tops on base.

In addition to the base recognition for its AFAF effort, the unit received two cases of "refreshment of choice" from the 3WS Operations staff.

Maj. Robert W. Endlich, Det. 4 commander, said, "Our fine showing is a result of teamwork of all of our people—maintenance, our operating location at Libby AAF, Ft. Huachuca (AZ), our observers, forecasters, and MSgt. Miguel Franco, who was our key man in the drive."

Det. 4's honors in the AFAF drive came on the heels of the tops-on-base performance in the Combined Federal Campaign drive.

# AWS salutes. . . .

## Medals

**Meritorious Service Medal:** Lt. Col. Richard L. Chapple and Maj. Carl H. Malberg, Headquarters Air Weather Service (AWS), Scott AFB, IL; **MSgt. Stephen J. Mekis Jr.**, Detachment (Det.) 15, 15th Weather Squadron (WS), Wright-Patterson AFB (WPAFB), OH; **Maj. James Kerlin** and **CMSgt. Raymond H. Schulte**, 2WS, Andrews AFB, MD; and **MSgt. Thomas P. Sinclair**, Air Force Global Weather Central (AFGWC), Offutt AFB, NE.

**Air Force Commendation Medal** (three oak leaf (OL) clusters): **MSgt. Garay D. Holland**, AWS. (Two OLC): **Capt. William R. Johnson**, AFGWC; and **Maj. Edward L. Wees**, 2WS, Andrews AFB, MD. (One OLC): **TSgt. Billy W. Brown**, Det. 14, 31WS, Hahn AB, Germany; **SSgt. William E. Elliott**, Det. 5, 7WS, Katterbach, Germany; **SSgt. Elmer R. Testerman**, AFGWC. (Basic decoration): **SrA Igar J. Lapiczak**, Det. 3, 1st Weather Wing (WW), Yokota AB, Japan; **SSgt. Johnny K. Henderson**, formerly with Det. 18, 26WS, Rickenbacker AFB, OH, but now a non-weather student, Lowry AFB, CO; **Capt. Donald E. Cook** and **SSgts. John H. Jacobson** and **Gary L. Johnson**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany; **Capt. Robert N. Trapnell Jr.**, Environmental Technical Applications Center (ETAC), Scott AFB, IL; **SrA Steven F. Bergonzoni**, Det. 15, 31WS, RAF Mildenhall, UK; **SSgt. Alexander K. Dyga** and **Sgt. Eric J. Kowaiski**, Operating Location (OL) A, Det. 2, 7WS, Fulda, Germany; **TSgt. Hugh D. Hiscox**, Det. 15, 25WS, Luke AFB, AZ; and **MSgt. Jerry D. Farley**, Det. 12, 7WS, Finthen, Germany.

**Army Commendation Medal:** **MSgt. Nels R. Roseland**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany; and **MSgt. Manley R. Biggerstaff**, Det. 4, 7WS, Schwaebisch Hall, Germany.

**Air Force Good Conduct Medal:** **TSgt. Gerald Taufer** and **SSgt. Roger Heinen**, Det. 1, 2WS, WPAFB, OH; **SrA Richard A. Holtz**, OL-B, Det. 12, 7WS, Baumholder, Germany; **SrA Reuben B. Sparks** and **Richard W. Fincher**, Det. 3, 5WS, Ft. Bragg, NC; **MSgts. Robert M. Allen** and **John M. Perchik Jr.**, and **SrA David A. Roberts** and **Helmut D. Young**, Det. 12, 24WS, Sheppard AFB, TX; and **SrA Eddy A. Robbins**, Det. 15, 25WS, Luke AFB, AZ.

## Special honors

**Col. George Chapman**, former 25WS commander, received a certificate of appreciation from the USAF Thunderbirds. The award was for service provided the acrobatic flying unit by Det. 16, 25WS, Nellis AFB, NV, home of Det. 16 and the Thunderbirds.

**SrA Donnie R. Galarowicz**, Det. 10, 30WS, Kunsan AB, Korea, is now the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing Junior Enlisted Advisor. He was chosen in competition against other top Kunsan AB airmen and will serve 89 days.

**SSgt. Larry D. Flohaug**, Det. 25, 5WW, is the Howard and Albrook AFBs' NCO of the Quarter (NCOQ).

**Capt. Wilbur G. Hugli**, OL-C, 7WS, Bad Toelz, Germany, completed his 65th military parachute jump to earn Master Parachutist Wings.

**SSgt. William D. Leng**, Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany, was recognized (for work in planning and fulfilling a local "Fun Day") in the form of a certificate of appreciation from the 26th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing.

**SrA Brian T. Sheehan**, OL-E, Det. 18, 30WS, Camp LaGuardia, Korea, received a letter of commendation from the 128th Aviation Company commander for outstanding service to the 128th.

Scott AFB, IL, officials selected the ETAC's 2nd Lt. **Tamzy J. Cunningham** as its Junior Officer of the Month for August and **A1C Ray A. Cull** as the Airman of the Month (AOM).

## Education

**TSgt. Jerry K. Kaminaga**, Det. 8, 30WS, Kadena AB, Japan, was reported on the University of Maryland Dean's List.

**Capt. Kenneth A. Peterson**, Det. 7, 9WS, March AFB, CA, was awarded a master of science degree in

systems management by the University of Southern California.

**A1C Gary Wallace**, Det. 12, 26WS, Plattsburgh AFB, NY, was awarded a bachelors degree in computer science by Potsdam State University, NY.

**SSgt. Ira C. Lunt**, 2WW Headquarters, Ramstein AB, Germany, was awarded a master of arts degree in counseling psychology by Ball State University.

**SSgt. Walter R. Spencer III**, a forecaster with Det. 5, 3WS, England AFB, LA, was awarded a bachelor of arts degree in general education by Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA.

**Capt. John E. Fletcher**, Det. 4, 7WW, Altus AFB, OK, was awarded a master of arts degree in business management by Webster College.

## Service schools

Through the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) **SMSgt. David P. Webb**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany, completed several courses. Earning associate degrees were, in meteorological equipment technology: **MSgt. Lee W. Horton**, Det. 3, 1WW, Yokota AB, Japan; and **Sgt. Larry A. Brukaradt**, Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany. **MSgt. John M. Perchik Jr.** and **SSgt. John R. Schendel**, Det. 12, 24WS, Sheppard AFB, TX, were awarded CCAF degrees in weather forecasting. **MSgt. William Williams**, Det. 8, 30WS, Kadena AB, Japan was awarded his CCAF degree in weather technology.

**Sgt. Karen L. Tompos**, Det. 15, 25WS, Luke AFB, AZ, completed Phase II of her professional military education by earning the Commander's (Luke AFB) Academic Achievement Award.

**TSgt. Robert Madison**, Det. 10, 7WW, McGuire AFB, NJ, completed the NCO Academy (NCOA).

Distinguished graduate (DG) of his NCOA class was **TSgt. Philip L. Herndon**, 1WW, Hickam AFB, HI, as was **MSgt. James M. Risher**, Det. 2, 31WS, Ramstein AB, Germany. The honor graduate title from the NCOA went to **TSgt. William E. Phillips**, Det. 11, 9WS, Beale AFB, CA. **MSgt. Fred E. Twitchell**, AFGWC, from his NCOA efforts, earned a regional Veterans of Foreign Wars World Affairs Award. Others completing the NCOA are **TSgts. Ronald Cornford**, **Davis V. Dulzo** and **William Zinth**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany; **TSgt. Raymond L. Eckert**, Det. 1, 11WS, Elmendorf AFB, AK; **MSgt. Donald R. Hagen**, AFGWC; and, by correspondence, **SSgt. Kent E. Stolze**, Det. 29, 25WS, Buckley ANGB, CO.

**MSgt. Ronald J. Haag**, Det. 3, 1WW, Yokota AB, Japan, completed the Pacific Air Force Senior NCO Orientation Course.

The Senior NCOA was completed by **MSgts. John A. Ellington**, 1WW, Hickam AFB, HI; **Horace L. Maxwell**, Det. 1, 30WS, Fuchu AS, Japan; **William E. Nelson**, Det. 6, 12WS, Peterson AFB, CO; **Elmer C. Weir**, 5WS, Ft. McPherson, GA; **David P. Webb**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany; **Roger E. Graffa**, Det. 29, 25WS, Buckley ANGB, CO; and **William I. Willis**, Det. 9, 5WS, Ft. Rucker, AL; as did **MSgt. Harvey R. Hurtt**, Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany.

**Capt. Alan E. Ronn**, Det. 1, 7WW, Feucht, Germany, recently completed the Squadron Officer School as his class' DG.

**Maj. Richard A. Baker**, Det. 8, 31WS commander, Zweibrucken AB, Germany, completed the Air Command and Staff College through seminar study.

Ten persons completed the NCO Leadership School. They were **SSgts. Daniel T. Burke** and **DG Arthur H. Archibald**, Det. 18, 16WS, Rickenbacker AFB, OH; **SSgt. Gerald A. Duperault** and **Sgt. Charlotte S. Mason**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany; **SSgt. Robert W. Tomlinson**, Det. 2, 9WS, Castle AFB, CA; **Sgt. Robert Cari**, Det. 8, 26WS, Griffiss AFB, NY; **SSgt. Darel J. Parson**, Det. 1, 3WW, Offutt AFB, NE; **Sgt. Paul C. Hutchins**, Det. 25, 5WW, Howard AFB, CA; **SSgts. Dennis J. Rudolph** and **DG Russell L. Graham**, AFGWC; and **Sgt. Robert F. McDowell**, Det. 29, 25WS, Buckley ANGB, CO.

## Unit honors

Unit Airman of the Quarter (AOQ) honors went to **A1C Frank J. Ferry Jr.**, (5WS winter quarter), Det. 9, 5WS, Ft. Rucker, AL; **A1C Ray A. Cull**, ETAC; **Sgt. Laura Serva**, Det. 12, 7WS, Finthen, Germany; **A1Cs Evelyn M. Gibson** and **Jimmy W. Long**, who shared the Det. 10, 7WW, award at McGuire AFB, NJ; and **SrA Mark D. Hamilton**, Det. 8, 26WS, Griffiss AFB, NY.

NCO of the Quarter (NCOQ) honors went to **SSgt. Anthony J. Baltz**, ETAC; **SSgt. Luther J. Miller Jr.**, Det. 11, 7WS, Coleman Bks, Germany; and **Sgt. Robert Cari**, Det. 8, 26WS, Griffiss AFB, NY.

At Det. 10, 2WS, Eglin AFB, FL, **SMSgt. Richard H. Tabor** took Senior NCOQ honors, **Sgt. Stephen P. Kolb**, Career NCOQ and **Amn Charles E. Andrews**, AOQ.

**Sgt. David C. Johnson**, Det. 75, 3WS, Eglin AAF, FL, is his unit's Specialist of the Quarter.

**SSgt. Thomas A. Stenzel**, Det. 15, 15WS, WPAFB, OH, is the 7WW's NCO of the Year. Soon after winning the 7WW honor he was chosen to attend the University of Texas as a participant in the Airman Education and Commissioning Program. He will major in meteorology. **Sergeant Stenzel** received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1971.

## Promotions

To colonel: **Thomas W. Flattery**, AFGWC.

To captain: **Richard E. Brown**, Det. 5, 7WW, Dover AFB, DE; **William D. Frank**, Det. 7, 9WS, March AFB, CA; **Craig D. Fry**, AFGWC; and **Timothy D. Keating**, Det. 5, 7WS, Katterbach, Germany.

To first lieutenant: **Stephen C. Ball**, **David R. Lee** and **Richard T. Reed**, AFGWC; and **Susan S. Robbins**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany.

To senior master sergeant: **Albert T. Bardusch**, **Dale M. Smith** and **Alan C. Snider**, AFGWC; **Dale L. Marks** and **Kenneth L. Pattison**, ETAC; and **William I. Willis**, Det. 9, 5WS, Ft. Rucker, AL.

To master sergeant: **James D. Carter**, AWS; **Richard D. Kolyer** and **Delwin P. Nance**, Det. 10, 7WW, McGuire AFB, NJ; and **Philip A. Berglund**, Det. 15, 31WS, RAF Mildenhall, UK.

To technical sergeant: **David N. Lang** and **Gary Russell**, Det. 15, 31WS, RAF Mildenhall, UK; **John R.O. Hart**, Det. 8, 26WS, Griffiss AFB, NY; **Kenneth B. Van Alstyne Jr.**, Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany; **Michael J. Handgraaf**, Det. 12, 26WS, Plattsburgh AFB, NY; **Wayne M. Jackson**, Det. 7, AFGWC, Carswell AFB, TX; **Paul J. Shaw**, AFGWC; and **Bernard H. Johnson**, ETAC.

To staff sergeant: **Karen L. McClimon**, Det. 7, 9WS, March AFB, CA; **Raymond A. Barber**, **Michael Cullenbine**, **Lance S. Jensen**, **Benedicto Villamin** and **Joseph L. Wilburn**, AFGWC; **David G. Jones**, Det. 4, 7WW, Altus AFB, OK; **David A. Smith**, Det. 9, 7WW, Scott AFB, IL; and **James H. McKay**, Det. 12, 24WS, Sheppard AFB, TX.

To sergeant: **David W. Adkins**, Det. 14, 31WS, Hahn AB, Germany; **Bradford D. Butler**, Det. 12, 26WS, Plattsburgh AFB, NY; **Keith A. Standifer**, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany; **James M. Pierson Jr.**, OL-A, Det. 10, 7WS, Wertheim, Germany; and **Larry K. Williams**, Det. 9, 7WW, Scott AFB, IL.

To senior airman: **Maurice J. Boyd**, Det. 21, 2WS, Edwards AFB, CA; **Edward L. Backer**, Det. 18, 26WS, Rickenbacker AFB, OH; **Charlotte Ungar**, Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany; **Kathy A. Blouin**, Det. 10, 7WS, Kitzingen, Germany; **Terry J. Rich**, Det. 4, 7WW, Altus AFB, OK; **Igor Maximciuc** and **Jasper E. Weston**, Det. 10, 7WW, McGuire AFB, NJ; **Barbara L. Lorenz** and **Steven C. Millett**, Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany; and **Kenneth T. Lang**, Det. 3, 5WS, Ft. Bragg, NC.

To airman first class: **Michael D. Dzado**, Det. 7, 9WS, March AFB, CA; **Hector Saenz** and **David C. Capeheart**, Det. 7, AFGWC, Carswell AFB, TX; **Denise J. Ambuehl**, **Linda L. Barnes**, **Richard W. Clough** and **Frank Walker**, AFGWC; **Otho D. Price** and **Terrence Chase**, ETAC; **Jack A. Moore** and **Mary H. Matava**, Det.

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5, 7WS, Katterbach, Germany; William V. Fulkrod, Det. 4, 7WW, Altus AFB, OK; Joel J. Lomazzo, Det. 8, 26WS, Griffiss AFB, NY; Charles E. Andrews, Det. 10, 2WS, Eglin AFB, FL; Patricia J. Watson, OL-A, Det. 21, 5WS, Ft. Stewart, GA; and Timothy J. O'Hara and Eugene Lofton, Det. 21, 5WS, Hunter AAF, GA.

To airman: Gregory A. Cade, Det. 7, 9WS, March AFB, CA; William E. Fischer, Det. 18, 26WS, Rickenbacker AFB, OH; Michael D. Godby, AFGWC; and Raymond D. Moore, Harald Naestvold, Debra K. Olson and Donald Woodham, ETAC.

## Civilian honors

At ETAC, Outstanding Performance Awards went to Mrs. Marquerite I. Brooks, Oscar E. Richard and Allen R. Davis.

Mrs. Helen De Mare, 3WW, Offutt AFB, NE, retired. See photo in this issue for story.

## Command assignments

SMSgt. Thomas E. White now commands Det. 13, 5WS, Ft. Eustis, VA.

Lt. Col. Thomas L. Harris now commands the 9WS, March AFB, CA.

Maj. Paul D. Halloran now commands Det. 5, 7WS, Katterbach, Germany.

Maj. Frederick F. Haddad now commands Det. 2, 7WS, Hanau, Germany.

## Marriages

SrA Robert M. Forgas, Det. 18, 26WS, Rickenbacker AFB, OH, married Judy A. Wonderly, April 23.

SSgt. James W. Huling, Det. 9, 5WS, Ft. Rucker, AL, married Janis P. Marten in her hometown (Altoona, PA). The date was not provided.

Jody Lyn Bush, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Clarence H. Bush Jr., Det. 21, 2WS, Edwards AFB, CA, was recently married to Jon M. Vise.

2nd Lt. Susan J. Sheldon, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany, was married to Capt. Richard V. Robbins, May 17, 1977, at Ramstein AB, Germany.

## Births

Capt. and Mrs. John A. Shipe, twin daughters, Tara Christine Delores and Laura Michelle Norma, Dec. 25, 1976. Father with Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany.

TSgt. and Mrs. Phillip H. Bernin, daughter, Lisa Lynn, May 11. Father with ETAC.

Capt. and Mrs. Ken Parsons, son, Brewster Ramsey, May 20. Father with ETAC.

SSgt. and Mrs. Robert L. Picconi, son, Brian Anthony, May 26. Father with Det. 12, 7WS, Finthen, Germany.

Sgt. and Mrs. David L. Hannum, daughter, Tamie Lynn, April 19. Father with ETAC.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Glenn D. Ahrens, son, Mark David, June 14. Father with Det. 4, 7WW, Altus AFB, OK.

Capt. and Mrs. Donald R. Hay, son, Donald Roger Jr., June 17. Father with ETAC.

Mr. Jerry and Sgt. (Betty M.) Jones, son Peter Nils, June 27. Mother with ETAC.

SSgt. and Mrs. Andrew F. Gancarz, daughter, Annuschka Zofia Heidi, July 1. Father is an administration clerk with Det. 1, 7WS, Feucht, Germany.

SSgt. and Mrs. Alan G. Eros, son, Justin David, July 7. Father with Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany.

SrA and Mrs. Paul D. Church, son, Ryan Paul, July 11. Father is an observer with Det. 9, 7WW, Scott AFB, IL.

Sgt. and Mrs. Richard D. Small, son, Dante Basilio Alexandros, July 12. Father with OL-A, Det. 9, 5WS, Troy, AL.

MSgt. and Mrs. Harvey R. Hurtt, son, Samuel Foster, July 22. Father is station chief for Det. 8, 31WS, Zweibrucken AB, Germany.

A1C and Mrs. John E. Ingram, son, Jeremy Blake, July 23. Father is an observer with Det. 9, 5WS, Ft. Rucker, AL.

Maj. and Mrs. Ernie R. Dash, son, Robert Adam, July 26. Father with Det. 75, 3WS, Eglin AAF, FL.

Dates of birth were not provided for the following new members to the AWS family(ies).

SrA and Mrs. Edward L. Baker, son Edward Jr. Father is an observer with Det. 18, 26WS, Rickenbacker AFB, OH.

✓SSgt. and Mrs. Arthur R. Teska, daughter, Annette Rachel. Father with Det. 8, 30WS, Kadena AB, Japan.

✓SSgt. and Mrs. Gregory W. Calkins, daughter, Kendra Sung. Father with Det. 18, 30WS, Yongsan, Korea.

## Reenlistments

SSgt. Pieter A. Deman and SrA Maurice J. Anderson, Det. 3, 7WS, Heidelberg, Germany.

SrA Richard A. Goodman, Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany.

✓SMSgt. Charles L. Miller, 30WS, Yongsan, Korea.

✓TSgt. Daniel R. Murray and MSgt. Donald E. Ashworth, Det. 8, 30WS, Kadena AB, Japan.

SrA Sherry A. Medley, Det. 75, 3WS, Eglin AAF, FL.

TSgt. George M. Slater, Det. 9, 5WS, Ft. Rucker, AL.

TSgt. John B. Gordon Jr., Det. 15, 25WS, Luke AFB, AZ.

MSgt. James E. Robinson, Det. 8, 26WS, Griffiss AFB, NY.

Prior to attending the Airman Education and Commissioning Program, SSgt. Bruce J. Schofield, Det. 4, 7WW, Altus AFB, OK, reenlisted. He is a six year AWS maintainer.

## Retirements

CMSgt. David S. Jaynes, Det. 6, AWS, Langley AFB, VA, (one of the command's top two NCOs).

MSgt. William K. Olson, Det. 5, 7WW, Dover AFB, DE.

Murry Young and CMSgt. Clarence M. Carter, ETAC.

MSgt. Stephen J. Mekis Jr., Det. 15, 15WS, WPAFB, OH.

Maj. Carl H. Malberg, AWS.

MSgt. Joseph J. Josik, 1WS, MacDill AFB, FL.

Maj. Edward L. Wees and CMSgt. Raymond H. Schulte, 2WS, Andrews AFB, MD.

Mrs. Helen De Mare, 3WW, Offutt AFB, NE.

## Locator

In response to requests from AWS OBSERVER readers, a new segment is being added to the 'AWS salutes...' column. It is a locator service dedicated to reestablishing lost contacts among active duty, Reserve, Air National Guard and retired weather people. Rules for this column's use are:

- Forward submissions (letters only) to: HQ, MAC/OIIT; Scott AFB, IL 62225.
- Seekers must provide: Rank, full name and current mailing address. Seekers must also furnish the last known rank, full name and base of assignment of the person they wish to contact.
- Persons responding to the column (the person found) must correspond directly with the seeker, not with the AWS OBSERVER or Headquarters AWS.
- Items will be printed only in one issue. To have it appear twice, a new letter must be sent.



METEOROLOGISTS and student pilots, 1st Lt. Ann O. Smethurst, left, and 2nd Lt. Carol A. Scherer, above, are now through the Undergraduate Pilot Training Course at Williams AFB, AZ. The two weather women are two of the first 20 women in the present 49-week course. Lieutenant Smethurst is a resident of Westfield, MA. Lieutenant Scherer, from Springfield, OR, is being assigned to Andersen AFB, Guam, as a WC-130 pilot. Lieutenant Smethurst's assignment has yet to be announced. (U.S. Air Force photos)

### Puzzle answers

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Across	Down
1. Thunderstorm	1. Tropopause
6. Moderate	2. Nome
8. LEG	3. RME
9. Off	4. Solstice
11. Summer	5. Muggy
13. TTY	7. Europe
14. Hygroscopic	10. FWH
16. Sangster	11. Sir
20. Analysis	12. MOS
22. Line	15. Sunshine
23. Humidity	17. Sun
26. Rain	18. Ramey
27. Streamline	19. PASY
	21. Steam
	22. LFM
	24. INR
	25. TCM

## A lesson from history

# Weathermen die helping keep ROK free

by

John Fuller  
AWS Historian

Twenty-seven years ago this month the Air Weather Service (AWS) suffered its first Korean War casualty. Before the July 27, 1953 armistice, five other AWS weathermen were killed in combat and another spent 31 months as a prisoner of the Chinese Communists.

1st Lt. David H. Grisham, a member of the 20th Weather Squadron (WS), Ashiya AB, Japan, was the 18th Fighter-Bomber Group's staff weather officer. In 1950, Lieutenant Grisham, who was also an F-51 pilot, flew 45 combat missions over Korea before being reported missing in action. Later he was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

A month later, on Oct. 9, 1950, another member of the 20WS, 1st Lt. James M. Schooley, was an aerial weather observer aboard a B-29. It was his 19th combat mission over Korea. At Johnson AB, Japan, as he returned from the mission, his aircraft crashed on landing and Lieutenant Schooley died along

with eight others aboard. He too was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal as well as the Air Medal and the Purple Heart.

Capt. Gerald L. Brose, a Detachment (Det.) 21, 30WS (then designated as "Det. 30-21"), Suwon AB, Korea, was staff weather officer to the 51st Fighter Interceptor Group. On Aug. 11, 1951, he was declared missing in action after he led four F-80s on a dive-bombing attack against a heavily defended bridge in North Korea. He was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Capt. Bruce K. Nims was Det. 10, 30WS' staff weather officer to the 1st Marine Corps Air Wing. He too was declared missing in action in 1951 when his aircraft went down as he flew as a volunteer radar and weather observer aboard a Marine F-7F on a night mission over North Korea. The F-7F was struck by intense ground fire and Captain Nims and the pilot were unable to eject.

On Feb. 22, 1952, SSgt. Carl M. Spence, of the 30WS, flew as an aerial weather observer. The

6166 Tactical Reconnaissance Flight's WB-26 in which he served (out of Kimpo AB, Korea), apparently went down over North Korea. Sergeant Spence was reported missing in action.

Col. John K. Arnold Jr., AWS Inspector General then chief of staff between 1948 and 1951, left the command to serve in Korea.

There he commanded the 13th Air Force's 581st Air Resupply and Communications Wing. While flying near the Yalu River, on Jan. 12, 1953, just six months before the cessation of open warfare, his B-29 was shot down. Interned by the Chinese Communists as a "political prisoner," Colonel Arnold and his crew were tried by a mili-

tary tribunal in Peiping, found guilty of spying and sentenced. The weatherman was sentenced to 10 years confinement and his crewmembers were sentenced to from four to eight years. In 1955, 31 months later and two years after the armistice in Korea, Colonel Arnold was released by the Chinese.



THE KOREAN WAR'S first Air Weather Service casualty was 1st Lt. David H. Grisham, right. He stands before a weather instrument shelter at a

forward base in Korea with the 20th Weather Squadron's 1st Lt. John T. Gordon in June, 1950. (U.S. Air Force photo)

## WB-57F does for NASA what it did for weather

HOWARD AFB, CZ—Around 15 years ago Air Weather Service's (AWS) WB-57 aircraft sampled the atmosphere for traces of radiation and, when found, measured it. The organizations flying those missions were the 58th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron and its predecessors.

Today the job, using one of the same aircraft used by the 58th, is done by members of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

The air sampling being done here uses a single WB-57F aircraft and 14 technicians. According to Thomas L. Borrow, Johnson Space Center (Houston, TX) mission manager, the work, named Project Airstream, is to seek "background radiation" from previous atomic tests.

"Scientists are also interested in

### Meteorologists meet in Monterey, CA

SAN JOSE, CA—Former and retired Air Weather Service officers of Northern California will meet Oct. 14-16 in Monterey. All former weather officers, according to Lt. Col. Milton H. Sipple Jr. (USAF Ret.), are welcome to attend. For further information contact Colonel Sipple at 2589 Dumbarton Ave.; San Jose, CA 95124 or telephone AC 408 267-2555.

the effect of pollutants in the atmosphere," Mr. Barrow said. "... such as the chemical compounds used in aerosol spray cans and

Freon used in air-conditioning units." He further explained that scientists believe such pollutants, when released into the

stratosphere, influence the Ozone balance. Ozone serves to shield the Earth's surface from potentially harmful solar radiation.

The WB-57F used here is outfitted with three air-sampling systems.

The U-1 Foil System filters particulate matter; the Pressure System compresses and stores whole air samples; and the Tritium Sampler is used to determine the amount of Tritium, a radioactive isotope of Hydrogen, in the upper atmosphere.

The aircraft, a survivor of the 19 WB-57Fs in AWS, most of which went to storage at Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ, and one reportedly in the Air Force Museum, flew to Panama from Ellington AFB, TX. A typical mission took it from Panama to McChord AFB, WA, and on to Elmendorf AFB, AK, recently.



A NASA mechanic has the WB-57F used in Project Airstream hold its position as two other crewmen pull the chocks. After this the aircraft is ready

to begin its air sampling mission. Pilot of the flight is the mission manager, Tom Borrow (inset). (U.S. Air Force photos by SSgt. Michael V. Longfellow)

### In memoriam

MSgt. Louis Moore Jr., a long-time weather observer, died Aug. 2, 1977. At the time of his death he was the Military Airlift Command Technical Advisor to the 119th Weather Flight (ANG), McGuire AFB, NJ. Burial was at his home of record, Sigourney, IA.

Sergeant Moore is survived by his widow, Verna, and children, Gale, Colette, Jeffery and Scott.



**FIVE DETERMINED RUNNERS** of Detachment 2, 1st Weather Wing, Andersen AB, Guam, prepare to set what they term "an Air Force record for team aerobics." The team's accumulated time for the

official aerobics run was 48.08. Left to right are Bob Hankins, Pete Weir, Ken Nash, Alan Hassebrock and Doug Warabak. (U.S. Air Force photo by SrA Evan Pearson)

## Sports challenge

# Detachment dares AWS units

ANDERSEN AFB, GUAM—To promote interest in the Air Force physical fitness program, Detachment 2, 1st Weather Wing here, introduced a new twist (and challenge) it calls "team aerobics."

Det. 2's initial team was made up

of five people, the unit commander, first sergeant and three other unit members. According to Alan W. Hassebrock, unit information officer and a member of the Det. 2 team, "Our accumulated time was 48.08 on a mile and a half or a certified 400 meter track. We

would like to see other Air Weather Service units try to break our 'Air Force record'."

In addition to Hassebrock, other team members were Bob Hankins, Pete Weir, Ken Nash and Doug Warabak.

## Junior golfer tackles pros

NAPA, CA—Many 17-year-old boys have turned their energies to meeting young ladies, repairing old cars or both. Greg Chapman, son of Col. George Chapman, the former 25th Weather Squadron (Bergstrom AFB, TX) commander and now an Air War College student at Maxwell AFB, AL, set out to play among America's top golf pros—and did it.

Last July Greg qualified as one of four Texas high school juniors to compete with other teenagers from throughout the United States in San Diego, CA.

The young people were pared from 33,000 down to 150. Despite being well down in the pack, Greg was one of the 150 to meet in the semifinals.

In that next-to-last paring of players to 60, those who would get to play with the professional golfers at Napa, CA's Silverado Country Club, was Greg Chapman.

According to his father, "Greg shot 310 for the four rounds taking 18th. He was pared with Al Geiberger (one of the Professional Golfing Association's Masters Tournament Champions). He was thrilled to death to play with him."



**JOHN S. PARISH**, the son of SMSgt. and Mrs. James S. Parish, Detachment 25, 5th Weather Wing, Howard AFB, CZ, recently received a Proclamation from the Ohio Senate which recognized his outstanding athletic prowess. During John's first year in competitive swimming he qualified to swim with the Green Wave International Swim Team; was coached by David Beldus, Tulane University; the Howard AFB Inter-oceanic Swimming Association; and the Curundu Junior High School Varsity Team. Young John has won 23 first-place ribbons, three gold medals, three silver medals and a bronze. He holds the Canal Zone record for the 100-meter breaststroke and won the Best-Time Trophy for the event during an international meet. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. Ben H. Johnson)

# Sports shorts

## Sons win triple jump honors

KAPAUN BKS, GERMANY—When it came to the triple jump during recent track events at the Kaiserslautern (Germany) American High School, two sons of weather men gave the opposition reason to blink.

Terry Armitage, the 17-year-old son of CMSgt. and Mrs. Wesley Armitage, 2nd Weather Wing, set a new school record on his first triple jump of the year—then broke

that record. He gained the crown with a jump of 46 feet and six inches. He is a junior.

Michael Fields, 16-year-old son of CMSgt. and Mrs. Charles Fields, also of the 2WW, took third place in the triple jump by reaching 42 feet, four and one half inches.

In the long jump event, Terry Armitage set another record when he leaped 21 feet and seven inches.

## Rasmussen makes Hall of Fame

HOWARD AFB, CZ—Richard A. Rasmussen, a former member of Detachment 25, 5th Weather Wing, here, was recently honored when his name was placed in the Pan-Canal Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

He was a member of the All Star Team throughout his four-year tour of duty in the Panama Canal Zone and held the highest league average in the 1,200-man association for the last two years.

Additionally, he won the Annual City Tourney individual scratch title during the last two years. He is now assigned to Little Rock AFB, AR.

## John J. Elliff aces fourth hole

HEIDELBERG, GERMANY—Three holes of the local golf course had gone routinely for John J. Elliff, 7th Weather Squadron here, but the fourth hole was different.

When Elliff went for the fourth hole, using a pitching

wedge, it became the once-in-a-lifetime event, a hole-in-one.

The ace was gained over 120 yards and was witnessed by Elliff's wife Shirley, Dave Hawk and Bob LaPierre, of the same unit.

## Met net men have double win

LORING AFB, ME—When the basketball season closed here recently the weathermen of Detachment (Det.) 4, 26th Weather Squadron, assisted by four players from other organizations and two dependents, had a 20-0 record and their division crown. The team, which has 10 players and a coach, then went on to take the double elimination league tourney as well.

Team members from Det. 4 are Mike Brown, Gerald Guay, Paul Billodeau, Donald Fish and Coach Joe Stampley.

## Landsvork strokes to crown

KUNSAN AB, KOREA—On the first day of the two-day Kunsan AB Spring Golf Tournament, Terry F. Landsvork, a forecaster with Detachment 10, 30th Weather Squadron here, trailed the

leader by a single stroke. The next day he rallied and took the meet by one stroke with a 146.

His efforts gave him the top slot from among 40 competing golfers.



**RETIREMENT** is the reward for Mrs. Helen De Mare, left, for her almost 34 years of faithful service to her country. Mrs. De Mare, for 18 years, was the secretary to 3rd Weather Wing commanders at Offutt AFB, NE. Two of the men she served, Brig. Gen. Berry W. Rowe and Maj. Gen. Russell K. Pierce Jr., went on to become Air Weather Service commanders. (U.S. Air Force photo)