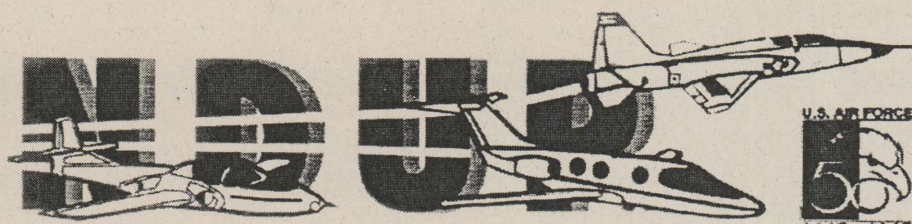


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Friends of Reese, 'great Americans' honored

*Out & about with
1st Lt. Chris Breighner
Chief, public affairs*

My Mom's had the same framed, flowered cross-stitch saying above her kitchen sink for 28 years. She got it from her bridesmaid and longtime friend and it reads, "Friends Forever."

Ain't it the truth.

You've heard of the *Friends of Reese*. I met half of them Saturday, and boy-oh-boy, I've never met a finer group of folks. While their occupations vary from construction, lawyers, bankers, educators and agriculture, their common support of Reese Air Force Base and its personnel over the years brought each one recognition by previous wing commanders as a *Friend of Reese*.

Nine *Friends of Reese*, one representative, spouses, and special guests gathered on the patio of Quarters One sharing food, drink, hearty laughter, and fond memories—memories which they all agreed will live far beyond official base closure Sept. 30.

It was also a ceremonial occasion. Col. Kodak Horton, 4th Flying Training Wing commander, and his wife Debbie hosted the evening, honoring the *Friends of Reese*, and after dinner, the colonel made several presen-



Photos by 1st Lt. Chris Breighner

The '*Friends of Reese*' pose for a group shot at a gathering Saturday. Front row, left to right, is W.G. "Bill" McMillan, Gordon Treadaway, Buddy Barron, Rufus Grisham and Ronda Langston representing her husband David. Back row, left to right, is Joe Price, Douglas Boren, Randy Neugebauer and Capt. (USN ret'd) Roy Grimes.

tations.

"The people here have two common threads that make them *Friends of Reese*," said Horton to the intimate group present. "You have been selected over the years, first, because you all are great Americans, and second, because you have supported Reese and you knew the sacrifices made by Air Force people."

"I've been to every AETC base, and I can honestly say, Reese has the *best* quality of life," he said. One of the reasons for this is the great support we get here. That quality of life and people like you help keep our people focused."

With that said, Horton presented each *Friend of Reese* with his charcoal sketch, previously displayed in the front hallway of Bldg. 800, and a Reese Air Force Base Closure Coin. The coin bears the poignant words, "Mulier obesa contavit."

"I'm definitely going to put this with my other memorabilia," commented W.G. "Bill" McMillan proudly as he headed back to his seat.

"It's the greatest pleasure I've ever known to be a *Friend of Reese*," said an emotional Buddy Barron, as he accepted his portrait and coin from Horton.

"The thing I'm going to miss is the 90 graduations

I've been to," said retired U.S. Navy Capt. Roy Grimes.

The other *Friends* were also deeply touched and grateful to receive their framed portraits, which have gazed at so many visitors and personnel over the years. Accepting on former Lubbock Mayor David Langston's behalf was his wife Ronda.

Horton then presented retired Maj. Gen. Dudley Faver and Gordon Treadaway with Pioneer Awards. Fred Underwood and Jimmy and Ann Foy, who were not able to be present, were also named

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Core Values -- Air Force standards also apply to driving safety

Master Sgt. Terry Spangler
82nd Security Forces Squadron
Sheppard Air Force Base, Okla.

Would you allow someone to enter your workplace and violate safety standards?

I hope your answer is "No!"

If your section is like mine, safety is paramount to security, and when people follow the rules, the mission is accomplished.

My workplace is the entire installation, and as a security policeman, my responsibilities include enforcing standards set by Air Force instructions and the base commander to ensure a safe and secure environment so that the needs of the mission can be

accomplished.

Driving above the posted speed limit is a prime example of violation of safety standards. This act is equal to not conducting a foreign object damage check before running the engines on an aircraft or not removing all jewelry and turning off the power before making an electrical repair.

The point is that you follow all the safety rules at work, and like most considerate personnel you ensure everyone follows the same safety standards. But get behind the wheel of your privately owned vehicle and there seems to be a transformation from Safety Sam to Roger Ramjet.

Right now you should be thinking, "Is he talking about me?" And the answer is yes, if you've approached the entrance to the base at 30 mph,

made a lane change without using a turn signal, failed to yield the right of way to traffic at an intersection, or gone the wrong way on a one-way street. These are everyday infractions that cause minor vehicle accidents on any base.

Although the majority of accidents on a base fall into this category, there have been some major accidents that have resulted in the injury of military members and civilian employees.

Every accident detracts from the accomplishment of the mission for that person and their co-workers, who must pick up the job and carry it until the member returns to work.

Getting to work on time and to appointments is important, but is it important enough to throw safety out the window, to aggravate other drivers or receive a traffic ticket?

Just because there isn't a security policeman around doesn't make unsafe driving legal. Yes, core values apply to driving.

- Integrity first — doing what is right even when no one is looking.
- Service before self — remember the accident can take the member or employee away from the job; mission accomplishment suffers.
- Excellence in all we do — driving safely and responsibly is something at which everyone needs to excel.

101 critical days....

Lawn-mower man

Staff Sgt. Jason M. Shannon
325 FW safety office

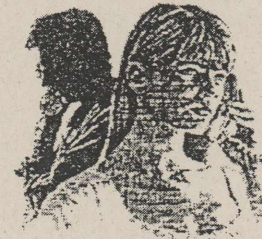
How many times have you mowed the lawn at night, mid-afternoon or early dawn?
In T-shirts and shorts, most of us not caring.
How many people know exactly what to wear?

But you hear, "It's so hot out there."
How many chances are we going to take?
Mowing in sandals or tennis shoes as you walk,
The noise level is so loud you can hardly talk.
The blades rotating around and around.
A simple swipe, your foot cannot be found.

You scream and holler lying in pain.
Looking at your leg watching the blood drain.
You are in the hospital and they have to amputate.
Now you realize it's too late,
That wearing appropriate safety gear,
Might have saved you from an injury this year.

It's time to think every time you are mowing.
About what to wear and that grass which never stops growing.

Problems? Concerns?



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Care Line
at 3273**



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Reese major selectees top Air Force average

1st Lt. Chris Breighner
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"This is a *great* news story," said Col. Kodak Horton, 64th Flying Training Wing commander, of the major selectees announced here Tuesday.

"I am thrilled because we beat the Air Force average in every single category," he said. "We were 11 for 12—our promotion rate was 92 percent. The Air Force average was 81 percent."

Capt. David Taylor, transportation flight chief, is the only Reese captain selected for promotion who is still on station.

The 10 other captains selected have all departed Reese and reported in to their new duty assignments.

Those selected in and above the primary zone for promotion to major were: Capts. Brian Dawson, Brian Dodson, Mark Greif, David Meyers, Michael Nigl, Leland Scifers, Douglas Sevier, [redacted] Stevens, Thomas Szvetcz, Taylor and Richard Willett.

Selected below-the-zone was Capt. Brian O'Rear.

This gave Reese a nine percent BTZ selection rate; the Air Force BTZ average was two percent.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Dave Brown

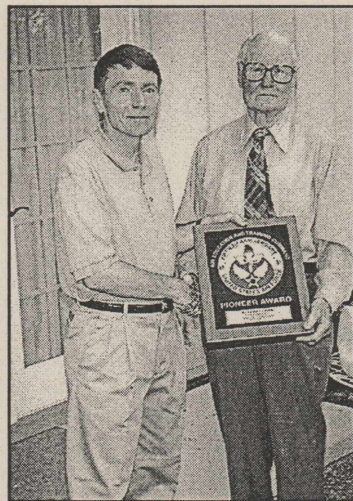
Capt. David Taylor, transportation flight chief, is all smiles as he is shown his line number for promotion to major by Col. Kodak Horton, 64th Flying Training Wing commander. Taylor is one of 11 Reese team members selected to major.

O'Rear, Sevier and Szvetcz were also selected to attend Intermediate Service School.

"It's awesome!" said Horton, although he wished more of the selectees could have still been here to receive

the news. "This, combined with the recent staff sergeant selections, where we also beat the Air Force promotion average, reflects the high quality people we have here...it's superb!"

'Friends of Reese' talk about base memories



Col. Kodak Horton, 64th Flying Training Wing commander, presents Pioneer Award plaques to Maj. Gen. (ret'd) Dudley Faver, left, and Gordon Treadaway, right, for their long time, "above and beyond," support of Reese.

(Continued from page 1) recipients of this prestigious Air Education and Training Command award for their significant contributions to the flying mission.

"It was very difficult to pick the recipients because all of you have been supporters of Reese Air Force Base," said Horton. The large, thick plaques outlined in California redwood, carried the years '47-'97 in honor of the Air Force's 50th Anniversary, and under the recipient's name the script read, "In grateful appreciation for your support."

Clearly moved, both Faver

and Treadaway took a moment before making their remarks.

"I was asked by General Burns to report to headquarters ATC in February 1964," began Faver. "We picked up mail at Reese en route to Randolph in a 28, and as we made the final turn into this air base I looked out and there it was in the rain. I said, 'Nobody knows what I would give to be the commander.'"

"We got to Randolph and were told to report immediately," continued Faver, the memory burning clear in his

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Rated retention information available

Question: Rated members in the field hear rumors constantly about retention problems and attempts to solve them. Is anyone making an effort to get the word out to the troops on what's being done?

Answer: Yes, the Air Force Personnel Center is working hard to ensure the line-crew force is kept informed of what is going on in the world of Air Force rated retention.

AFPC's new rated reten-

tion office has set up a web page specifically to publicize rated retention news and issues. It includes:

- Monthly updates on aviator continuation pay, or ACP and take rates for first-time eligibles;

- News on aviator legislative initiatives being worked by Air Staff and Congress, such as a proposed increase in ACP, a proposed increase in the amount for short-term contracts and a proposed in-

crease in aviation career incentive pay;

- A detailed summary of "works in progress," such as the Air Force's new ombudsman program designed to help family members of deployed personnel; command-specific information, such as policy letters regarding inactivity following long temporary duty; messages from the Air Force chief of staff; and links to other home pages of interest such as the Air Mobility

Command Aircrew Home Page, Headquarters AMC Retention Page, Air Combat Command Aircrew Home Page and ACC Aircrew Initiatives Page.

Additional personnel information is available on AFPC's home page at <http://www.afpc.af.mil>.

For more information on aircrew retention initiatives, call the AFPC Rated Retention Office at DSN 487-2459, or commercial 210-652-2459. (AFNS)

SNCO promotions, changes to education levels

Evaluation briefs can now contain three education levels.

A third education level has been added to the senior noncommissioned officer evaluation brief beginning with the calendar 1997 chief master sergeant and calendar 1998 senior master sergeant promotion cycles.

For example, someone could have a Community College of the Air Force associate's degree, bachelor's degree and master's degree listed on the evaluation brief. Previously, only two

levels were listed.

Records will not be automatically updated. Senior NCOs with more than two education levels should contact the education office to update their records as soon as possible.

Also, those eligible for promotion should contact the Air Force Personnel Center at DSN 487-2107 to verify the contents of their senior NCO selection records. If your records require correction, contact the military personnel flight at 3276. (AFNS)

Time running out for conversion to Montgomery GI Bill

Last year, Congress passed a law allowing people who had invested in the Veterans Educational Assistance Program to switch to the more beneficial Montgomery GI Bill. The opportunity to switch benefit programs will expire Oct. 9. So far, only about 13,500 people of the 32,300 eligible have switched programs.

Educational benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill are significantly higher. Under VEAP, people could contribute up to \$2,700 for a maximum benefit of \$8,100. Under Montgomery, a \$1,200 investment could be worth up to \$15,400. Contact the education office at 3634 for details on eligibility and options. (AFNS)

Recycling Center to cease operations

The Reese Air Force Base Recycling Center will cease operations effective Sept. 8.

The recycling contract will make a final run on base and pick up all bags on Sept. 5.

Sept. 5 is also the last pickup date in base housing, Reese Village, for all recyclable items including grass clippings and leaves.

After Sept. 5, all disposable items, including grass clippings and leaves, need to be placed in dumpsters.



Security Forces affix new beret flashes

Washington (AFNS) — Three decades after security police first donned berets, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald Fogleman approved July 10 a uniform cloth flash for Air Force security forces headgear.

The emblem of a falcon swooping down on its prey replaces individual major-command metal crests now worn by security police on the current dark blue berets adopted in the mid-1970s. The new flashes should be issued by Nov. 1.

Light-blue security police berets were authorized in 1966 for Operation Safe Side combat security police assigned to the 1041st Security Police Squadron (Test) in Vietnam. Affixed was the unit's emblem, a falcon.

This unit evolved into the 104th and Combat Security Police Wing (CSPW) in 1968, assigned to Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash., and later

Fort Campbell, Ky. The wing was assigned a worldwide deployment mission to provide base defense for Air Force contingencies.

Wing members also wore the light-blue beret with a cloth flash.

The wing emblem consisted of a falcon above crossed runways superimposed on a globe that represented the wing mission. The unit was inactivated in December 1968.

In March 1997, the 82nd CSPW was reactivated and redesignated the 820th Security Forces Group (SFG). It provides worldwide first-in force protection for Air Force contingencies. The 820th SFG also adopted the heraldry of the 82nd CSPW.

That same month the Air Force Security Police Agency was redesignated as the Air Force Security Forces Center, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M. The heraldry of the 820th SFG was



Enlisted members flash for Air Force Security Forces headgear.

used as a model for the AFSFC emblem, which explains the falcon's revival for the security forces.

The security forces career field emblem and beret flash are the same design. The motto is "Defensor Fortis" or Defender of the Force. The emblem consists of the

AFSFC emblem design with the security forces motto on a scroll.

Enlisted members will wear the flash with design and motto. Officers will wear the plain flash with the motto. Officers will also wear regular size rank insignia centered on the flash.

EOD work challenging on Gold Dust Peak

Eagle, Colo. (AFNS) — Staff Sgt. Lee Shulz has worked his fair share of crash sites, but nothing like this.

The explosive ordnance disposal technician knew the A-10 slammed into Gold Dust Peak, but like everybody else, thought he could just put his experience to work and make the site safe in no time. Just like the F-16 crash site he recently worked. Left wing went left. Left wing's debris went left. Follow the trail. Piece of cake.

No trail this time.

"I've never worked a crash scene that compares to this — you can't even use your experience," Shulz said. "I've just never seen anything hit something like this."

After April's 400-mph impact, gravity took over and the A-10's million pieces slid everywhere—via avalanches and rockslides and snowmelt.

A million-piece jigsaw puzzle, said Senior Airman Dan Mendoza, also an EOD tech assigned to Moody Air Force Base, Ga.

The two spent their first few days acclimating to the altitude and training with the pararescue specialist on how to use the rope system set up on the lower debris field's 50- to 60-degree slopes.

When Day One of the operation arrived, the excited A-10 recovery crews took a 15-minute UH-1H ride into Gold Dust Peak's basin. The pilots safely dropped everyone off in a marshy, flat area, leaving the crews facing a two-hour hike pulling equipment on sleds up the mountain's rugged terrain.

After that exhausting experience, the Colorado Army National Guard pilots began ferrying people up to the lower debris field, using a jagged rock pad

as a landing zone.

Look out over the basin, and it's a beautiful site. Turn and face the mountain, and the challenges begin to add up.

First of all there's not enough air at 11,500-plus feet. For someone from Georgia, anyway. Second, there's the terrain—snowy, icy, rocky mountain terrain.

"Every piece of the mountain is an obstacle course," California-native Mendoza said. "You're on a 60-degree angle of a slope and you're constantly looking for parts, but at the same time, you're looking out for number one."

"You can't always take the easiest route because you may not wind up where you need to be working."

Watching people methodically work debris areas on Gold Dust Peak and one knows what he means.

Reese Activities

Services closures and other activities

<u>Auto Hobby Shop</u>	Closed	
<u>*BX Barber Shop (885-4856)</u>	Closed	
<u>Bowling Alley (3116)</u>	Bowling ceased August 15. Snack bar is scheduled to close September 15.	
	Monday-Friday	7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
	Saturday	12 - 5 p.m.
	Sunday	Closed
	Holidays/Goal Days	12 - 5 p.m.
<u>Car Wash</u>	Closes Sept. 5	Open 24 hours, seven days a week
<u>Child Development Center (3541)</u>	Scheduled to close September 12	
	Monday-Friday	7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
<u>Commissary</u>	Closed	
<u>Education Office (3634)</u>	Relocated to Bldg. 920, Rm 236	
	Scheduled to close September 30	
	Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
<u>CLEP testing</u>	no longer available	
<u>CDC testing</u>	no longer available after September 1	
<u>Family Support Flight (3305)</u>	Relocated to Bldg. 920, Room 226.	
	Scheduled to close September 30	
	Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
<u>Fitness Center (6021)</u>	Scheduled to close September 30	
	Monday-Friday	8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
	Saturday, Sunday, Holidays	10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
<u>Aerobics</u>	Monday-Friday	11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
<u>Gas Station</u>	Closed	
<u>Golf Course (3819)</u>	Scheduled to close September 1	
	Tuesday-Friday	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
	Saturday, Sunday	7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
	Monday	Closed
	(Exception -- if Monday is a goal day, then closed on Tuesday)	
<u>Medical Flight</u>		
<u>Behavioral Medicine</u>	Bldg. 1145, Room 109.	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
<u>Dental Clinic</u>	Closed	
<u>Pharmacy</u>	Closed	
<u>Family Advocacy (3739)</u>	Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
<u>Primary Care (3515)</u>	Bldg. 1145, Room 108. Sees active duty Air Force only from 7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.	
<u>Sick-call hours</u>	Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
<u>TriCare Service Center (1-800-406-2833)</u>	Located at 5121 69th Street, Suite 110 in Lubbock.	
<u>Lodging (3155)</u>	Monday-Friday	6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
	For lodging after hours contact 885-3018 and enter code 468.	
<u>Reese Manor</u>	Closed	
<u>Military Personnel Flight (3276)</u>	Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.
	Naval Reserve Center now manages ID card issue and can be reached at 765-6657 for directions and more information.	
<u>Postal Services</u>		
<u>Dorm mail delivery</u>	Stopped.	
<u>Civilian Post Office (3351)</u>	Scheduled to close September 30.	
<u>Military postal/BITC (6178)</u>	Organizational delivery stops Aug. 22. Units will be advised of follow-on procedures.	
<u>Security Forces</u>		
<u>Desk (3333)</u>	Open 24 hours a day (co-located with Main Gate)	
<u>Main Gate (3694)</u>	Open 24 hours a day	
<u>Industrial Gate (3228)</u>	Closed except for fuel/hazardous cargo delivery and departure.	
<u>4th Street Housing gates</u>	Closed	
<u>Visitors Center</u>	Closed (services available at the main gate).	
<u>Shoppette (885-2427)</u>	Scheduled to close August 29.	
	Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
	Saturday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
	Sunday/Holidays	10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

* Annotates changes to the hours or activities

(Page compiled by Staff Sgt. Orlando Guerrero.
Please call 3410 with any updates to this information.)

Around Reese

Bowling Center "Menu"

(6555)

Breakfast Specials

Today: Biscuit and Sausage. Cost is \$2.15.

Monday: French Toast and Sausage. Cost is \$3.00.

Tuesday: Silver Dollar Pancakes, 1 Egg and Ham. Cost is \$2.95.

Wednesday: Breakfast Burrito with Ham. Cost is \$2.30.

Thursday: Two Eggs with Sausage, Hashbrowns or Grits, Toast and Jelly. Cost is \$2.95.

Lunch Specials

Today: Barbecue Beef on a Bun with French Fries or Onion Rings. Cost is \$2.55.

Saturday: Cheeseburger and French Fries or Onion Rings. Cost is \$2.65.

Monday: Cheeseburger and French Fries or Onion Rings. Cost is \$2.65.

Tuesday: Chicken Fried Steak with

French Fries or Onion Rings. Cost is \$3.20.

Wednesday: Soft Taco with French Fries or Onion Rings. Cost is \$3.00.

Thursday: Pattie Melt with French Fries or Onion Rings. Cost is \$2.95.

Any size coffee free!

Fond memories remembered about Reese AFB and its people

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eyes. "I couldn't imagine what I had done."

"General Burns said, 'Faver, have a seat.' He didn't ask me how I was or anything. His question to me was, 'How would you like to command Reese?'" A week later Faver said he was in place at Reese's helm. He commanded here until late June, 1966. "It was the best job I ever had," said Faver, who now teaches at Texas Tech University.

"Since I've been here, he's been at every function except when he was ill," said Horton introducing Treadaway as second Pioneer award winner.

"Make it short," quipped Frances, Treadaway's wife of 58 years, as he headed to the front.

"To me, this is a tremendous occasion," began Treadaway, pausing to clear his throat. "I know we all regret losing Reese Air Force Base, but they can't take away the memories we have."

He then quoted a mantel inscription he had seen many years ago in Virginia and used throughout his lifelong law practice:

"I am an old man now.

I've seen a lot of trouble—

Most of which never happened."

"We remember Reese in that tone," finished Treadaway, nodding in summation.

As he shook hands and prepared to leave, I thought Barron quietly and sincerely said it best, "I've gotten more from Reese than I've given."

Yes, old friend, haven't we all...

The Friends of Reese program was created three decades ago to recognize members of the civilian community who have made lasting personal contributions to the welfare and support of Reese Air Force Base.

To be named a Friend of Reese is the highest honor Reese bestows on a private citizen. Eighteen members have been inducted over the years in this select hall of honor. The four original Friends of Reese were: Dr. O.W. "Babe" English, Hon. George Mahon, Charles Guy, and L.E. "Jack" Davis. All four were instrumental in locating the installation, now called Reese Air Force Base, in Lubbock in 1940.

Friends of Reese Hall of Honor members

Honorable George Mahon

U.S. Congressman, 19th District of Texas

Charles Guy

Editor, Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, 1926-1972

L. E. "Jack" Davis

Founding member, National Order of Daedalians

Dr. O. W. "Babe" English

Family practitioner

Douglas Boren

Armed Services Committee Chair (ASCC),
Banking Executive

W. G. "Bill" McMillan

ASCC; President McMillan Construction

John Logan

Executive Director/Manager, Lubbock
Chamber of Commerce, 1962-1992

Buddy Barron

ASCC; President, Buddy Barron Realtors

Gordon Treadaway

ASCC; Attorney, Federal Judge

Rufus Grisham

ASCC; Agribusiness, Anderson Clayton Co.

Honorable B.C. "Peck" McMinn

Mayor, Lubbock, Texas 1986-1992

Joe Price

ASCC; General Manager, Energas Company

USN Capt. (Ret.) Roy Grimes

ASCC; Educator; Past President, Board of
Trustees, LISD

Jimmy Foy

ASCC; Agronomist, Founder Reese
Graduate Park

Honorable Don McBeath

Lubbock County Judge, 1991-present

Randy Neugebauer

Mayor Pro Tem 1994-1996/City Council
Member, Lubbock, Texas, 1992-present

Fred Underwood

ASCC; President, Trinity Marketing

Honorable David Langston

Mayor, Lubbock, Texas 1992-1996

Reese Weekly Bulletin

1. ATTENTION ALL PERSONNEL: AF 36-2241, Volume I: Excess PFE study guides are available from the PDO. Please see MSgt. Gus Hernandez, Building 20, extension 3437. They are available on a first come first serve basis. These would normally have to be recycled.

2. ATTENTION MILITARY FUELS SERVICE STATION CUSTOMERS: The automated military fuels service stations closed permanently Monday. Manual fuel issues will be utilized to authorized government vehicles at Building 462 until Sept. 30. Fuel service hours will be 0900-1000 hours Monday through Friday. Please plan your refueling needs accordingly. For any questions please contact MSgt. Kelly Starbuck, 64th Logistics Squadron, extension 3345.

3. ATTENTION ALL PERSONNEL: The last day for free issue turn-ins to the Logistics Squadron will be today. All free issue material must be boxed and shipped to Cannon AFB before Sept. 30. Therefore, the Logistics Squadron must have time to prepare for the movement of these items. Any questions can be directed to MSgt. Charles Reed extension 3548.

4. TELEPHONE MOVES OR INSTALLATIONS: Any requests for moves or installation of telephone related equipment (Telephone, Fax, Modem, Answering Machine) must be in by Aug. 30. This will allow time to de-obligate any remaining funds in the contract and to close out the contract for this fiscal year. Any questions can be directed to SSgt. Timothy Parnell, at extension 3117.

5. BUILDING 955 CLOSED: Records Management, Administrative Communications and Plans and Resources is now located in Bldg. 20 and can be reached at extension 3252.

6. BITS TO STOP TODAY: The last Base Information Transfer System run will be today. Any questions maybe directed to SSgt. Ronshella White at extension 3252.

7. ATTENTION ALL PERSONNEL: Air Force officials have announced the start of the Fiscal Year 1998 NCO retraining program. During this Fiscal Year 1998, approximately 1,800 NCOs, (SSgt, TSgt, MSgt) will be retrained from AFSCs with NCO overages to those with shortages. The

voluntary phase of the program runs through Dec. 31, 1997. A list of retraining out and retraining in AFSCs is available at the Education Office. Some restrictions apply, depending on your grade and AFSC. Contact MSgt. John Klemmer at extension 3524 or 3482 for complete details.

8. ATTENTION ALL PERSONNEL: The next Undergraduate Flying Training (UFT) selection board will convene at the Air Force Personnel Center (AFPC) on Oct. 21, 1997. (This selection board will review applications for both pilot and navigator training). Those officers with a date of birth after July 1, 1970, will be eligible to apply to UFT. Applicants must send application, postmarked by Sept. 12, 1997, to HQ AFPC/DPAOY3, 550 C Street West, Suite 31, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4733. Applicants should advise supervisors/individuals providing AF Form 215 comments of the application deadline. Those applicants requiring a new physical exam should schedule the appropriate physical well in advance. All applicants competing for pilot training must also complete the Basic Attributes Test (BAT). For more information on application procedures, contact the Base Formal Training Element, MSgt. John Klemmer, 3524, at the Education Services Flight. (DPE/3524)

9. BASE INFORMATION TRANSFER CENTER (BITC)/ADMIN COMM TIP: Attention all Activity Distribution Offices (ADO), command support staff office, and tenant units currently using the BITC system. Request you provide in writing deactivation dates, as soon as possible, to ensure your mail is handled and routed properly. Due to postal budget expenditures, please do not wait until the last minute to mail large volumes of correspondence or boxes. Please give us a call if we can be of any assistance. (SCBA/3252)

10. BEFORE YOU BEGIN TO FIGHT A FIRE: Make sure everyone has left, or is leaving the building. Make sure the fire department has been called. Make sure the fire is confined to a small area and is not spreading. Be sure you have an unobstructed escape route where the fire will not spread. Be sure you have read the instructions and that you know how to use the fire extinguisher. It is reckless to fight a fire in any other circumstances. Instead, pull the fire alarm, leave immediately and close off the area.