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Mr. Chris Pacheco, owner of 940 AM ESPN Radio Fresno and honorary commander of the 144th Operations Support Flight, received an incentive flight in an F-15C Eagle, flown by U.S. Air Force fighter pilot Lt. Col. Jonathan Burd, Sept. 4, 2019. Mr. Pacheco is a community leader in Fresno, Calif. and has served as an honorary commander for the past two years. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Capt. Jason Sanchez)

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Commander's Comments

By Lt. Col. Cesar Gonzalez
144th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

The Five Ts of Maintenance

The 5 Ts of Maintenance is my pitch to every maintainer that has ever worked for me. It is embodied in my squadron from the most experienced Airman to the newest Airman. Each Airman is expected to fully understand and demonstrate it. The 5 Ts stand for Training, Tools, Technical Data, Time and Telling. Telling someone is expected if you don't have any of the first four Ts. As the UEI Midpoint Inspection approaches, this is a great opportunity to share this mantra with members of the 144th Fighter Wing as it transcends maintenance; it is about discipline and professionalism.

The first T starts with training because it's critical to mission success. Everyone is trained to do his or her job. On the flight line, for example, avionics technicians have 113 core tasks to complete (along with other professional military education requirements) prior to earning their five level. Many other maintenance careers also have an enormous amount of training to become proficient. That training has to be documented, and that documentation is a two-way street since the trainee should not sign off on a task until he or she is confident about being proficient at it.

Tools are the second T. They can be whatever is needed to get the job done. In maintenance, they may be a Consolidated Tool Kit, a tester, Aerospace Ground Equipment, or even parts to fix an aircraft. It is the responsibility of the user to ensure the tools are accounted for, calibrated properly, and checked for serviceability prior to performing any task. For example, a CTK may have six drawers and a hundred pieces of tools, and maintainers account for them every day.

The third T is technical data. Technical data is published by the Secretary of the Air Force, and it provides clear instructions for the safe operation of all equipment. It includes warnings and cautions. When maintainers see a warning or safety labels in red it means there is a dangerous step that has been put there due to an accident from the past. Maintainers need to be fully aware of the dangers at hand. It doesn't matter if the maintainer has done the task a hundred times, the technical data needs to be open, available at the job site, and adhered to at all times.

The fourth T is time. Airmen have time to do the job, whether we are in Fresno or South Korea. This
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doesn't mean to slow our role in getting the job done. Airmen should work with a sense of urgency based on their experience. A Tech. Sgt. at a seven level will be much more comfortable in a task compared to someone who is in upgrade training for a five level. There is no substitute for getting the job done in our profession. It must be done as quickly as possible while maintaining safety, but not rushed.

The last T is the most difficult because it takes moral courage to say something. If you don't have any of the previous four Ts, telling the expeditor, production supervisor, the chief, or me is vital. Our Airmen want to get the job done. They want to make the sortie for the pilots, but this is the full-stop that is needed because our job is to ensure that our pilots fly, fight, win, and return home safely. The discipline and professionalism required to put this in play is the bedrock for any maintainer.

These five Ts can be applied to any career specialty in the Air Force. Consider them as you strive to improve and go about your jobs. As the Wing begins our Midpoint Inspection, continue the excellent job that we are known for. It's an important inspection, but for us, it's just a matter of doing what we always do. I'm proud to show the inspection team how the 144th Fighter Wing has a culture of discipline and professionalism every day.



Chief's Corner

By Chief Master Sgt. Lynn Williams

144th Weapons Manager



Good Sportsmanship and Team Fouls

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes bad-mouthing, losing composure, and a disregard for the rules, and it can cost us the game! Our mission is a team sport, so let's huddle up and refocus!

"The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team."

-Phil Jackson

Good sports foster a culture of dignity and respect, regardless of the circumstances. Poor sports, on the other hand, put a strain on team relationships, and that puts the WIN in jeopardy!

Imagine yourself in the game with two seconds on the clock, up by one point, and your teammate gets a technical foul for unsportsmanlike conduct. The opposing team is ready to capitalize on the fault and takes the lead at the free throw line for the win!

A display of unsportsmanlike conduct can cost your team the game.

Don't be that teammate! We serve in a profession of arms that requires us as service members to be held to a higher standard. We must continue to support, trust and encourage the many micro-teams that we have in our organization to be successful.

Our no-fail mission requires us to fly, fight and win... and we must value all of our team players and their roles in the game. So when the going gets tough, don't be so quick to commit the technical foul. Instead, try to understand why the problem exists, see how you can assist, and be quick to say, "Good game" or "Let's do better next time."

There is no doubt in my mind that every person on our team strives to uphold the standard. However, there are some of us who need to be reminded that this is an all-inclusive diverse team.

There's something to be said about good sportsmanship and how it impacts the success of the game. We are a winning team, and we can't afford to allow unsportsmanlike conduct to ruin our winning mindset.





Civil Engineering Doing What We Do!

By Lt. Col. Walter Miller, 144th Civil Engineering Commander

Tech. Sgt. Andres GarciaAcosta (left), Airman 1st Class Alexander Garza (center), and Technical Sgt. Jamie Marron (right) pose for a picture at Jalalabad Airfield, Afghanistan during a recent deployment.

Tech. Sgt. GarciaAcosta, 144th Civil Engineering Squadron heavy equipment operator, and Airmen Garza, one of CES's newest electricians, are examples of CE's "Can Do" attitude that CE delivers around the world.

Tech. Sgt. Marron is another stellar troop from the 144th Communications Flight, who never hesitates to jump right in where help is needed. He was passing through during his deployment. All of these Airmen forged together, regardless of AFSC, to get the job done. They are a great example of the teamwork approach that the 144th FW is known for.

"That's not my job" is not something you will ever hear from any of these guys.

144th FW Airmen serving with Expeditionary Flight

By Capt. Jason Sanchez, 144th Public Affairs Office

144th Fighter Wing Airmen continue to pave the way, working hard at home and while deployed around the globe. While serving with the 405th Expeditionary Civil Engineering Flight, they assisted with the construction of 1366 feet of razor wire, the repair of 2533 feet of razor wire, and the removal of 2750 feet of brush around Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, contributing to airfield security.

In an email praising the flights work, 1st Lt. Alexander Bow, 405th Expeditionary Civil Engineering Flight

project manager said, "It was hot, it was humid, and it was hard work. But you all pulled through as if it were nothing. On top of having stellar attitudes, you all produced stellar work."

Maj. John Millard, 405th Expeditionary Support Squadron commander, after viewing civil engineer's work said, "We were completely blown away by the unbelievable work accomplished by each of you. Your efforts truly have made Jalalabad Airfield a safer and more secure airfield."





In preparation for a routine flying mission, Tech Sgt. Stephen Schiefer, 144th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, removes chalks from an F-15C Eagle as the pilot completes operational checks Aug. 14, 2019. These operational checks occur before each flight in preparation for take off. Routine flying operations help 144th Fighter Wing pilots keep their skills sharp and to maintain required flight hours. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Capt. Jason Sanchez)

The 144th Fighter Wing Welcomes Ukranian Pilots as Part of State Partnership Program



Pilots and Commanders from the Ukraninan Air Force visited the 144th Fighter Wing during the first week of September 2019 to exchange ideas and identify best practices. Their visit is part of the State Partnership Program between Ukraine and the California Air National Guard. This 26 year partnership helps foster relationships and build trust, with the ultimate goal of increasing readiness and training for both countires. (U.S. Air National photos by Lt. Col. Jonathan Burd and Capt. Jason Sanchez)

Inspector General Complaint Process

By Capt. Jason Sanchez, 144th Public Affairs Office



Fresno Air National Guard Base, Calif.— Lt. Col. John Sliney, 144th Fighter Wing inspector general, and Col. Jeremiah Cruz, 144th Fighter Wing commander, presented the IG complaint process and its legal requirements to Airmen throughout the Wing. These presentations were given from June through August 2019 during monthly commanders' calls to educate Airmen.

The role of the IG is to serve as a fair, impartial, and objective fact-finder and problem solver, explained, Lt. Col. Sliney. He said that Airmen have a right to have access to the IG, and adverse action cannot be taken against a member because the member spoke to the IG. Appropriate complaints to the IG include violations of law, instructions, rule, regulation, policy or other standard; abuse of authority as defined in AFI 90-301; fraud, waste, or abuse; reprisal; or restriction. If a member is unsure, the IG can provide clarification.

Lt. Col. Sliney briefed that any member of the Armed Forces may communicate information about a possible violation of law or regulation to any person in the member's chain of command. If a member reasonably believes that information provides evidence of a violation, the member may share it without fear of reprisal.

"That's a protected communication, and no one can use it to take a negative personnel action," said Sliney. "One of the roles of the IG process is to give Airmen confidence in using their chain of command."

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JAG's Commentary

By Maj. Nana Knight

144th Fighter Wing Judge Advocate General

Due Process Protections

Adverse actions taken against military personnel are generally protected under the Privacy Act. Information regarding administrative adverse actions are considered confidential and access to such information is limited to the chain of command and those on a "need-to-know" basis. Due to the confidential nature of this information, the names of the recipients and other personally identifying information are not widely publicized to airmen in the wing. The rank of the individual, including the unit and the disposition of an alleged misconduct may be released under certain conditions, depending on the circumstances.

Procedurally, upon an initiation of an adverse action, a member has a right to consult with defense counsel. The member also has a right to submit matters to the initiating commander for consideration. The commander then reviews the member's submitted matters and decides whether there are factors in mitigation and/or extenuation. The commander makes a final decision as to whether the adverse action should stand. If the

misconduct is unfounded, the commander may decide to downgrade the level/severity of the adverse action (i.e. from a letter of reprimand to a letter of counseling) or withdraw the action entirely, if the circumstances warrant such an action.

The military justice process affords many protections to service-members. Members facing disciplinary action are entitled to due process and the opportunity to consult with defense counsel. Commanders are required to maintain good order and discipline of their units through the use of quality force management tools, such as letters of counseling, reprimand, admonition, non-judicial punishment, etc.

The due process rights of the individual members are carefully balanced with the commanders' objectives of good order and discipline. Our system has built-in protections to ensure this balance is maintained, and that the best interests of the Air Force and the Air National Guard are served through the use of the appropriate grievance channels.



Inspector General Complaint Process

Col. Cruz reiterated that Commanders cannot fix problems they do not know about, and he encourages Airmen to speak up if they see a problem or an issue.

“Please bring any issues to your supervisor or to your chain of command,” said Cruz. “However, if you are uncomfortable bringing to them, you are always welcome to bring the issue further up the chain, or to another supervisor, or commander, or to the IG, or your congressional representative.”

Col Cruz emphasized that when members bring an issue up their chain or any other reporting official, they will not be reprisal against for doing so. He wants to ensure that members feel comfortable with the process.

Complaints may be submitted in-person to the IG, on behalf of another Airman, or anonymously using an Air Force Form 102. Additional information about filing complaints may be found at <https://www.afinspectorgeneral.af.mil/Resources/File-a-IG-Complaint/>. A complainant may also withdraw a complaint, but an investigation may still occur.

Sliney clarified that when appropriate, most IG complains will be referred to the commander for a Command-Directed Investigation, unless the complaint involves reprisal or restriction.

Reprisal is taking or threatening to take an unfavorable personnel action or withholding or threatening to withhold a favorable personnel action on a military member for making or preparing to make a protected communication.

Restriction is preventing or attempting to prevent members of the Armed Forces from making or preparing lawful communications to members of Congress and/or an IG.

What happens once the IG receives a complaint?

1. The IG assesses the allegation for appropriate action.
2. If the investigation involves reprisal or restriction the IG will conduct the investigation. If the allegation concerns a rule, regulation, or policy violation, it is usually sent to a CDI.
3. After an investigation (for reprisal or restriction), the IG writes a report with “findings of fact” and a conclusion.
4. The report will be given to the commander, and findings will be communicated with the individual who raised the allegation if the individual provided contact information.
5. Any follow-on action, if required, is subject to the commander’s decision.
6. Follow on action will be included with the IG case file.

subject’s chain of command,” said Sliney. “It will, however, be reported to the IG and included in the IG case management file before the case is closed.”

Sliney went on to say that complaints, which accuse a Wing commander of wrong doing, are referred to a higher level IG office and a higher level of command authority.

For questions or clarification, the 144th FW Inspector General’s office can be contacted at (559) 454-5132.

Lt. Col. Jackson Announced as Area Defense Counsel

Lt. Col. Richard Jackson, California Air National Guard judge advocate, was announced as the ANG Area Defense Counsel July 15, 2019.

As area defense counsel, Lt. Col. Jackson represents individual Airmen, officer and enlisted, who are a members of the California Air National Guard.

“As a service member, you have the right to be represented,” said Jackson. “Military defense counsel are certified judge advocates who provide independent legal representation and confidential legal advice for service members suspected of an offense or facing adverse administrative actions.”

To reach Lt. Col. Jackson for legal representation or advice concerning adverse military action, text him at 661-864-6998.



A Helping Paw

By Staff Sgt. George Solis, 144th Public Affairs Office

On any given day Paige, a 4-year-old yellow Labrador retriever, can be found chewing on her favorite toy, playing in the water, or taking a midday nap at the home of Dr. Stephanie Grant, 144th Fighter Wing director of psychological health and Paige's primary handler.

But Paige isn't just Dr. Grant's pet, Paige is a trained facility therapy dog, who assists Dr. Grant by helping her to make connections with Airmen at the 144th FW. Paige received her

training from Southeastern Guide Dogs, a nonprofit organization that trains dogs to provide services to the blind, children, military facilities and veterans. Because of her reserved temperament, Paige was an ideal candidate to serve as a facility therapy dog.

When Dr. Grant makes visits to the various shops and offices on base, Paige comes along wearing her sage-green doggy vest adorned with unit patches and a chief master

sergeant chevron. Paige is always ready to receive some attention and unconditional love.

"Airmen come alive when Paige walks into their office. They stop what they're doing; they have an excited look on their face. She brings joy to the atmosphere when she comes in," said Dr. Grant. "[Paige] has really helped me in my role to connect with people. She has really broken some of those mental health stigma barriers that are prevalent in the military."

Paige's presence allows Airmen to feel more at ease and more likely to seek counsel from Dr. Grant when it is needed. That council may be on any topic that an Airman wants to talk about from workplace stress to domestic issues.

Staff Sgt. Alexandria Panduro, Air Crew Flight Equipment specialist, said that she felt comfortable contacting Dr. Grant for an appointment because she had interacted with Paige before.

"I think at some point everyone needs to talk to someone. I've seen Paige around base and because of Paige, I was able to make that connection



with Dr. Grant, speak to her, and be comfortable to do that," Panduro.

Even though Paige may not know the tremendous impact she has, she still helps to break barriers and to make people feel more comfortable about seeking help when it is needed.

To visit Paige you can stop by the office of the Director of Psychological Health located in the Wing Building within the Chaplin's Office.

For more information regarding mental health services and counseling options, you can contact the office of the DPH at (559) 453-5461 or email Dr. Grant at stephanie.a.grant13.civ@mail.mil.

An Airman greets Paige, a trained facility therapy dog for the 144th Fighter Wing, before a counseling session with Dr. Stephanie Grant, 144th Fighter Wing director of psychological health. Paige helps to break down barriers about using counseling services. (U.S. Air National Guard photos by Staff Sgt. George Solis)



2019 SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

Make it Your Mission to
#BeThere



Safe firearms storage ideas include:

- Securing firearms outside the home with a trusted friend, relative, or a storage facility.
- Using a gun-lock or safe if you chose to secure a firearm inside the home.
- Storing firearms and ammunition separately.
- Keeping your firearm locking keys secure by using a combo lock box or in a separate safe.

Safe medication storage ideas include:

- Storing all medications under lock and key in a medication storage container.
- Discarding outdated or no longer needed medications.
- Keeping only small quantities of alcohol in the home.
- Not keeping lethal doses of medication on hand.

As September begins, we encourage you to think about how you can #BeThere for our military community who may be at risk for suicide. Safely store medications and firearms. Add the Veterans and Military Crisis Line number to your contact list, so it is handy if you ever need it: 1-800-273-8255.

The 144th Resilience Support Team will host a resource fair on Saturday, September 7, 2019 outside the Dining Facility from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come check it out, and learn about important resources for you and your fellow Airmen.

Small Steps Save Lives: September is Suicide Prevention Month

By Dr. Stephanie Grant, Director of Psychological Health

The 144th Fighter Wing is committed to preventing suicide among service members, civilian employees, veterans, and their families. Suicide prevention is a priority throughout the year, but during September, which is Suicide Prevention Month, we bring added attention to the complex issue of suicide and emphasize the resources and supports that are available.

This year's Suicide Prevention Month theme, Small Steps Save Lives, focuses on safety precautions that service members and their families can put in place to reduce the risk for suicide.

The majority of military suicide deaths involve a firearm, and medications are the most common method of non-fatal suicide attempts. The act of suicide is sometimes impulsive. The time a person goes from thinking about suicide to acting on it can be less than 10 minutes, so storing medications and firearms safely every day is an effective way to help prevent it.

There are a number of tips for storing firearms and medications safely that can be easily implemented and will improve safety for ALL members of the family.

please join us

9/11

NEVER FORGOTT

- united we stand -



9/11 Burpee Challenge

Rx: 343 Burpees for each firefighter that passed away during the 9/11 attacks in New York

Scaled: 125 Burpees for the 125 personnel killed in the Pentagon during 9/11 attacks

Time: Start at 0846 for a moment of silence for the first tower being hit and start burpees at 0903 for the second tower being hit.

Place: Overhang at the base track

144TH FIGHTER WING

POUND CLUB CHALLENGE



When: October 5th 2019 @ 1200

Where: Base Gym

Details:

Weight Challenge Classes:

1,000, 750, 500, 350 (females only) pound weight classes

3 judged areas:

Bench

Squat

Dead Lift

* Must lift a combined total for each judged areas *

Contact TSgt Emeri Palacio to sign up at: emeri.p.palacio.mil@mail.mil

Challenge sponsored by the 144FW Health and Wellness Committee

2019 Outstanding Airman of the Year Banquet

1800 No Host Bar *E-1 to E-4 \$20*
1900 Dinner *E-5 & E-6 \$25**
2130 Dancing *E-7 & up \$40*

**Prices will increase by after September 15, 2019*

November 2nd at the Fresno Convention Center
Payment:
 Credit card or bank account through **Yonma Search Fighter Wing Banquet**
 Check Payable to **Top 3 Council**
 Cash: Pay to orderly room or **MSgt Kaci Williams**
 -RSVP: https://invitations.afit.edu/mi/anim_fm?i=162800&k=066740017357

2nd Annual POW/MIA Remembrance Run/Walk

Date: 1300L 19 Sep - 1300L 20 Sep

Location: 144 FW Base Track



By signing up to participate in the run, participants are doing so at their own risk. The 144th Fighter Wing is not responsible for any claim, loss, or damage directly or indirectly resulting from participation in the run. By signing up, participants fully assume all risk and responsibilities for losses, medical treatment, costs or damages related to any injury sustained in connection with or during the run.

Keep it simple, student!

Tired of automated phone menus that lead nowhere? High book costs? Unanswered emails? Inconvenient student services departments? Hurdles and high costs sending transcripts to the CCAF or another college? FCC Veterans' Services department provides excellent customer service!

Tuition Assistance covers the cost of the course - No Yes!!
 Summer and Fall term registration begins 6 May 2019

Any Course - Any Term - Online

NO placement TESTS, NO hidden FEES, Minimal Book Costs

Fall 2019	Winter 2020	Spring 2020	Summer 2019
9/20/2019 - 12/13/2019	1/6/2020 - 1/29/2020	3/02/2020 - 04/12/2020	6/04/2019 - 08/19/2019
MATH100M1D1E	MATH100M1D1E	MATH100M1D1E	MATH100M1D1E
SPR111M1D1E	SPR111M1D1E	SPR111M1D1E	SPR111M1D1E
SPR121M1D1E	SPR121M1D1E	SPR121M1D1E	SPR121M1D1E
MUL200M1D1E	MUL200M1D1E	MUL200M1D1E	MUL200M1D1E
PHL200M1D1E	PHL200M1D1E	PHL200M1D1E	PHL200M1D1E
SPR101M1D1E	SPR101M1D1E	SPR101M1D1E	SPR101M1D1E
MUL200M1D1E	MUL200M1D1E	MUL200M1D1E	MUL200M1D1E
SPR101M1D1E	SPR101M1D1E	SPR101M1D1E	SPR101M1D1E
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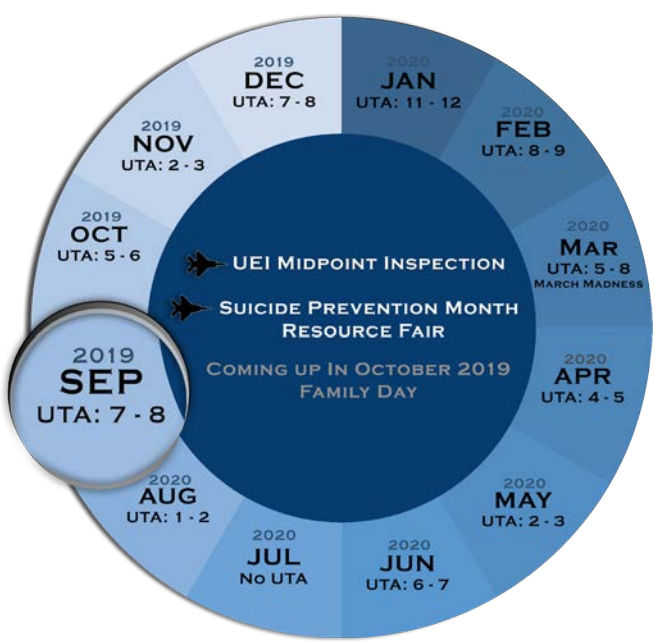
Klamath Community college 2018-19 Course Descriptions:
 PHL200M1D1E - Philosophy of Religion (Prerequisite requirement for CCAF) * MATH200M1D1E - History of Book Making (Prerequisite requirement for CCAF)
 SPR101M1D1E - First Year Spanish (Prerequisite requirement for CCAF) *
 PSL200M1D1E - General Psychology (Social Science requirement for CCAF) *
 WRI120M1D1E - English Composition I (Basic composition, one substitute for speech)
 WRI101M1D1E - English Composition II (Basic composition, one substitute for speech)
 HST201M1D1E - US History (Social Science requirement for CCAF) *
 HST101M1D1E - World History (Social Science requirement for CCAF) *
 SPR111M1D1E - Spanish (Oral Communication requirement for CCAF) *
 WRI121D1E - English Composition (Oral Communication requirement for CCAF) *
 * Indicates an Open Educational Resource (OER) course with little or no book costs **
 If you are a first time student at Klamath Community College, please fill out the CCAF application here: <https://www.klamathcc.edu/StudentServices/CCAF>
 Or call 541-880-2214/541-880-2389

Thank You!

To all the volunteers and attendees who made the Yellow Ribbon Event on Aug. 17, 2019 a success. Over 150 service and family members were in attendance.

Special thanks to:
 Ms. Cheryl Gann
 Ms. Gail Walls

Airman and Family Readiness



UTA Menu

Dining Facility open 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
 Regular Meals are \$5.60 for AGR, officers, and members on orders.
 *Saturday is a Special Meal. The cost is \$9.10

Saturday: Air Force's Birthday- Special Meal*
 Soup of the Day: Chicken Noodle Soup
 Main Line: Grilled Ribeye, Lemon Basil Shrimp and Pasta, BBQ Chicken
 Sides: Shrimp Kabobs, Corn on the Cob, Peas & Carrots, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Broccoli Confetti Rice, Full-Service Salad Bar
 Desserts: Apple Pie, Cinnamon Rolls

Sunday:
 Soup of the Day: Chicken Noodle Soup
 Main Line: Beef Fajitas, Chicken Fajitas
 Sides: Sautéed Peppers and Onions, Mexican Corn, Pinto Beans, Mixed Veggies, Mexican Rice, Flour Tortillas, Full-Service Salad bar
 Short Line: Hamburgers, Turkey Burgers, Grilled Chicken Breast, French Fries, Onion Rings, & Corn Dogs, Bacon
 Dessert: Chocolate Chip Cookies

Menu items are subject to change

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019

Suicide Prevention Month Resource Fair
- 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. outside the DFAC
- Participants will include the VET Center, Veterans Affairs, and Team RWB
- Hosted by the Resilience Support Team (Chaplain, DPH, SARC, AFRPM)


Rising Six Meeting
- 12:30 p.m. in the Operations Main Briefing Room
- All members E-1 to E-6 are welcome

Top Three Meeting
- 1 p.m. in the Maintenance Conference Room
- All E-7 and E-8 welcome to attend

Catholic Mass
- 2 p.m. in the Headquarters Classroom

Sunday, Sept. 8, 2019

Breakfast Burrito Sale

 7 to 9 a.m. at the base fire station
- \$5 suggested donation (cash only)
- Fundraiser hosted by the Top Three

EPR Bullet Writing Class
- 8 a.m. in the Dining Facility
- Limited seating, first available

Suicide Prevention Door Contest
- Judging will take place at 9 a.m. Sunday morning
- Winning office/shop receives the 3 P's on Sunday afternoon (Pizza, Paige and Pie)

Maintenance Group Assumption of Command
- 10:30 am in the 144th FW Hangar
- Lt. Col. Christopher Ridlon will assume command of the 144th Maintenance Group

Protestant Worship Service
- 11 a.m. in the Headquarters Classroom

Operations Group Assumption of Command
- 2 p.m. in the 144th FW Hangar
- Col. Swertfager will officially take command of the 144th Operations Group

Latter Day Saints Worship Service
- 2:30 p.m. in the Headquarters Classroom

Upcoming Events

CGO Council Meeting
- The Friday before each UTA
- 12 noon in the wing conference room

9/11 Memorial Burpee Challenge
- Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2019 at the base track
- Moment of silence at 8:46 a.m.
- Challenge begins at 9:03 a.m.

2nd Annual POW/MIA Remembrance Run/ Walk
- Begins Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019 at 1 p.m.
- 24 hr event held at base track
- Contact Master Sgt. Christopher Perez to join a team or start a new team 559-454-5188

Pound Club Challenge
- Weight lifting challenge, lift a combined total for bench press, squat, and deadlift
- Saturday, Oct. 5 at the base gym at 12 noon
- Contact Tech. Sgt. Emeri Palacio to sign up

Family Day
- Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Family members of 144th FW Airmen
- Bounce houses and activities for the kids
- For volleyball, contact Capt. Chance Paisley

Airman of the Year Banquet
- Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 in Fresno, California
- Contact your orderly room for more information

Other Announcements

Calling 911 for On-Base Emergencies
- If 911 is called from a landline, the on-base authority and first responders will be contacted
- If 911 is called from a cell phone, the caller will need to tell the 911 operator its an "Air Guard" emergency so on-base authorities can respond

UTA Schedule Changes for 2020
- January UTA will be a two-day drill
- February UTA has been moved to Feb. 8 and 9
- March will be a four-day UTA from March 5 to 8
- July UTA is off

Scheduled Munitions Inventory
- IAW AFMAN 21- 201 A3.2.1.7, the Munitions Flight will be conducting a 100% inventory of munitions during September 2019.

ANG Prevention Services

ANG Prevention, Education and Outreach
- <https://www.ang.af.mil/prevention/>
ANG Sexual Assault Response and Prevention
- <https://www.ang.af.mil/SAPR/>
AND Suicide Prevention
- <https://www.ang.af.mil/suicideprevention/>



Legal

Legal assistance available UTA weekends and the Friday prior to UTA
- Walk-ins available Sun. 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Article 137 held in the Chapel at Sat. 3 p.m.
- Deploying before next UTA? - Come in anytime

- Call 454-5153 ahead of time to ensure someone is available
- For additional assistance visit: <https://aflegalassistance.law.af.mil/lass/lass.html>

Customer Service

DEERS/ ID Cards
- Mon. to Fri. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Walk in Hours
- Mon. to Thurs. 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Appointments Only
- UTA Saturday: 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- UTA Sunday: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Note: ID card actions over UTA weekends are limited to wing members only. The Friday before every UTA we offer walk-ins from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for wing members and their dependents

Reenlistments, Extensions, Separations
- Mon., Tue., Thu, Fri: 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Wed 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- To schedule ID card appointments visit RAPIDS at: <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/appointment/building.aspx?BuildingId=605>
- Please direct any questions to Customer Service at 454-5274

Airman and Family Readiness

- Please let your family and friends know that the 144th Airman and Family Readiness Office is here for them upon your absence! If there is anything they need or have questions about, please refer them to our office.

- Ms. Dorene Vierra, 144th Fighter Wing Airman and Family Readiness Program manager: Work: (559) 454-5383 Cell: (559) 530-7807. Please call me any time!
- Command Post's 24/7 number: (559) 454-5155. They are an important contact to relay information to commanders, chaplains or anyone else at the Wing.

Medical Group

UTA Weekends Hours
- Saturday: 6 a.m. to 6:45 a.m. for physical training exemptions
- Sunday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. for due or overdue PHA items
Customer Service Hours:
- Mon., Tue., Thu, Fri: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Provider Schedule and Audiograms:
- Tue. 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- Thur. 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- By appointment only
- MGD Appointment Line: (559) 454-5247
- Closed every Wed.

Public Affairs Shared Image Drive

- Images taken by Public Affairs are now available on base through a shared drive. Any one interested in these images can map your base computer to \\144fw-fs-v7\publicmedia.

Event Listings in the Afterburner

- If you would like your UTA event to be listed in the next Afterburner, please send the information to Capt. Jason Sanchez at:
- jason.a.sanchez30.mil@mail.mil
- Please use "UTA Event" in the subject line of the email, and please include the date, location, and time of the event

AFTERBURNER



Vision

Provide disaster and combat ready forces to our civilian and combatant commanders

Mission Statement

Federal Mission - The 144th Fighter Wing is to provide Air Superiority in support of worldwide joint operations as well as Air Defense of the United States. Additionally, the Wing provides agile combat support, and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance to combatant commanders around the globe. The Wing also provides a variety of homeland defense capabilities to U.S. NORTHCOM.

State Mission - The 144th Fighter Wing provides a variety of Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) capabilities to the Governor of California. Primary contributions include Ready manpower, reconnaissance assets, response to chemical, biological and radiological attacks, security, medical, civil engineering and command and control.



U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Miguel Saldana, 144th Security Forces Squadron defender, was coined by Gen. Kenneth Mckienzie, United States Central Command commander, Aug. 22, 2019. He was one of two SFS personnel assigned to the special security detail for USAFCENT command personnel. Tech. Sgt. Saldana was coined for his performance and professionalism during this special security detail. (Courtesy photo)

Wing Priorities

1. Be Ready to Deploy at a Moment's Notice.
All 144th Fighter Wing Airmen will be combat ready whenever the Combatant Commander calls or a deployment tasking is assigned.
2. Be Ready to Perform our State Mission.
All Airmen must be ready when the Governor calls and needs the support of the 144th Fighter Wing.
3. Continue Alert Operations.
We have a 24/7/365 alert mission -- we must flawlessly continue to execute that mission.

Commander's Priorities

1. People
2. Mission
3. Mentorship
4. Internal Controls