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## Airmen on the run

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Air Force dominates 2015 Best Warrior competition

Medal of Honor above and beyond

Sexual assault prevention is everyone's responsibility

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# Commander's Comments

## Welcome to April UTA



**Col. George W. Holt, Jr.**  
136 AW Commander

### Why are you in the Guard?

For some of us, the answer to that question is very clear. Answers range from; tuition assistance, training, serve my country or sundry other reasons. For some of us that answer has changed over the years. I remember when I first decided to go to the Air Force Academy, it was to play football. I was excited about a great education and the opportunity to play Division I football. I didn't understand what the oath meant. I didn't have a heritage of service in my family. I didn't even know anyone in the military. I went to pilot training because it was just what you did if you were medically qualified. If we didn't we had to explain to the Superintendent why we didn't want to Fly, Fight and Win; why we weren't warriors.

As I entered Active Duty and started a career that has given me tons of opportunities and some amazing experiences, I didn't understand the concept of being a part of something bigger than myself. The longer I've served the more that understanding has come to the forefront. It wasn't just about flying and being a pilot. It wasn't just about rank and promotions or even the promise of a career.

One day I recognized that the OATH meant more to me. I had accepted a new

way of thinking. It was about serving those around me. It was about being there for people who needed me. All of a sudden, I recognized that I had sworn to give my life to protect those we are called to serve. Then I took another oath, and swore to protect the Constitution of the United States AND of the State of Texas. Not a lot of people do that. You are members of a select group in America. I hope you all recognize this huge commitment to the oath that separates you from many of your neighbors. We are all called to serve in some way.

As Guardsmen, we are called to the profession of Arms. I want to say thank you for stepping up, and defending the freedoms that we hold dear. I know it doesn't always feel so noble. Sometimes it just feels like work, but don't squander the pride that should come from wearing the uniform. You are a member of a great organization that is respected across the enterprise. Because of your selfless dedication and professionalism, the American service men and women are held in high esteem. The country on the whole reveres your service, and expects you to uphold a high standard. This means embodying the core values. Not just knowing the words, but truly having integrity as the first pillar, and a base of all you do as you put others first and strive for excellence. Just remember the AF Core values aren't goals, they are descriptors of the standards you swore to uphold.

I want to thank you for being the professionals you are. Our citizen Airmen are the best trained and most capable militia in history. I am proud and humbled to be your commander.

So WHY am I in the Guard now? Because I want to be a member of an organization that sets the standards, leads the way, and serves the American people. I want to be a part of something bigger than myself. I want to

give back as much as I've been given. I am honored to serve you. Please take the time to re-examine your OATH. I hope you can renew your commitment as we strive together for excellence. I promise to do everything in my power to help each of you reach your potential as we continue the proud tradition of keeping the 136 AW Nulli Secundus.

Have a great UTA weekend!



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# SAAM ending sexual violence

## TXMF sexual assault awareness promotes Denim Day

by Lt. Col. James Castleman  
136th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Sexual assaults are very damaging to the good order and discipline of a unit. When we have one, it is one too many. In order to counter this we must continually maintain our vigil.

To help, the month of April has been designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). This is why the ANG schedules SAPR training in April. In addition to the mandatory training presented to many units, we have scheduled a guest speaker to come in and speak about sexual assault. Mr. Jeffrey Bucholz is with We End Violence, a company dedicated to teaching the world about ending sexual violence and educating people on a way forward. There are several sessions scheduled in ARCNET on Sunday morning at NAS Fort Worth JRB, and Sunday afternoon at Hensley Field. Commanders, Chiefs, First Sergeants, and all supervisors (E-5 and above) are highly encouraged to attend, you will not be disappointed.

Another key element of sexual assault awareness is called Denim Day. Denim Day for the Texas Military Forces will be April 29. On this day, everyone in the TXMF is allowed to wear denim to work (unless conducting official military business).

Why Denim? In 1998, a teenage girl in Italy was raped by her driving instructor. The girl was held down on the ground by the instructor and was threatened with harm to herself and her brothers. He was tried and convicted and sentenced to jail,

and his case went to the Supreme Court of Appeals in Rome. The court overturned the original ruling stating that because the victim wore very tight jeans she must have had to help remove them, thereby giving consent to have sex. The case made international headlines and the young survivor's jeans became a symbol of the many misconceptions still surrounding sexual violence, such as there is a "correct" way for someone to respond during an assault and what someone wears can be an excuse for rape. So, on Wednesday, April 29, show your support for Sexual Assault Prevention by wearing denim.

Specific rules are as follows:

Men (Casual Business attire), -Denim Jeans must be clean, free of holes, tears, and stains. Jeans must not be too faded, too tight, or too baggy. Jeans are to be fastened at the waist NOT below. No shorts, cut-offs, or low riding jeans.

-Shirt must be clean, free of holes, tears, or stains. NO t-shirts (other than SAAPM themed) or tank tops.

-Shirts must have sleeves and collar.

-Shoes must be closed toed (no flip-flops, or beach shoes).

Women (Casual Business attire):

-Denim Jeans must be clean, free of



SAAM volunteers distribute souvenirs to participants of the 5K run during Sexual Assault Awareness Month, April 17, 2015 at Naval Air Station Fort Worth. (Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert/ released)

holes, tears, and stains. Jeans must not be too faded, too tight, or too baggy. Jeans are to be fastened at the waist NOT below. No shorts, cut-offs, or low riding jeans. Capri's are approved.

-Denim Skirts must be clean, free of holes, tears, and stains. Skirt must not be too faded, or too baggy. Skirt must not be more than 1" above the knee or have a slit more than 1" above the knee.

-Blouse must be clean, free of holes, tears, or stains. NO t-shirts (other than SAAPM themed), tank tops, or tube tops. No spaghetti-strap blouses that show off midriff. Blouse must have sleeves.

-Shirts must have sleeves and collar.

-Shoes must be closed toed (no flip-flops, or beach shoes).

Feel free to forward this invite. We hope to see you in denim on April 29th!

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# MOH above and beyond

## Medal of Honor recipients return to Gainesville

Medal of Honor Recipient (retired) Marine Cpl. Hershel Williams is welcomed by the Airmen of the 136th Airlift Wing at DFW Airport, April 8, 2015 for the annual MOH Parade on Saturday, April 10. Williams is the last living MOH recipient from the Battle of Iwo Jima. (Air National Guard photos by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert and Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Reed/released)

Story by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert  
136th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

**GAINESVILLE, Texas**—The home of the Medal of Honor Host City recently welcomed here some of our Nation’s highest decorated living heroes for their annual MOH parade and park dedication April 9, 2015.

Most of the MOH recipients arrived at DFW Airport April 8, and were greeted by the 136th Airlift Wing forming a cordon, saluting each recipient as they exited the airplane.

A USO representative announcing on the loud speaker a very special arrival, “ladies and gentlemen I would like to get your attention please. Today we are honoring the men who went above and

beyond the call of duty and laid their life on the line for our very freedom.” the representative paused as the crowd begin to gather around the terminal gate. “In a few minutes a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient will deplane and we ask if you would please stand and give this heroic man the honor due. He is here to participate in the City of Gainesville Medal of Honor parade held this Saturday, April 10.”

The people around terminal B15 stopped and stood, eagerly anticipating the arrival of the recipient of our nation’s highest military honor. Members of the 136AW, Texas Air National Guard from Naval Air Station-Fort Worth, formed a receiving line to welcome the hero.

“I am honored to come here and be invited to this special occasion,” said retired Staff Sergeant Clinton L. Romesha, a section leader with Bravo Troop, 3rd Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division at Afghanistan.

Romesha is one of the youngest living MOH recipient attending the Host City events.

The event that lead to Romesha’s heroic act is still very vivid in his mind as he tells his inspiring story. “It took team work from all services to get us out of there alive. The Air Force saved our lives with the air cover they provided. Team work from everyone on the outpost working together as we fought the enemy and brought others to safety.”

Romesha’s citation reads: Staff Sergeant Clinton L. Romesha distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as a Section Leader with Bravo Troop, 3d Squadron, 61st



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Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, during combat operations against an armed enemy at Combat Outpost Keating, Kamdesh District, Nuristan Province, Afghanistan on October 3, 2009. On that morning, Staff Sergeant Romesha and his comrades awakened to an attack by an estimated 300 enemy fighters occupying the high ground on all four sides of the complex, employing concentrated fire from recoilless rifles, rocket propelled grenades, anti-aircraft machine guns, mortars and small arms fire. Staff Sergeant Romesha moved uncovered under intense enemy fire to conduct a reconnaissance of the battle-

field and seek reinforcements from the barracks before returning to action with the support of an assistant gunner. Staff Sergeant Romesha took out an enemy machine gun team and, while engaging a second, the generator he was using for cover was struck by a rocket-propelled grenade, inflicting him with shrapnel wounds. Undeterred by his injuries, Staff Sergeant Romesha continued to fight and upon the arrival of another soldier to aid him and the assistant gunner, he again rushed through the exposed avenue to assemble additional soldiers. Staff Sergeant Romesha then mobilized a five-man team and returned to the fight equipped with a sniper rifle. With complete disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Romesha continually exposed himself to heavy enemy fire, as he moved confidently about the battlefield engaging and destroying multiple enemy targets, including three Taliban fighters who had breached the combat outpost's perimeter. While orchestrating a successful plan to secure and reinforce key points of the battlefield, Staff Sergeant Romesha maintained radio communication with the tactical operations center. As the enemy forces attacked with even greater ferocity, unleashing a barrage of rocket-propelled grenades and recoilless rifle rounds, Staff Sergeant Romesha identified the point of attack and directed air support to destroy over 30 enemy fighters. After receiving reports that seriously injured Soldiers were at a distant battle position, Staff Sergeant Romesha and his team provided covering fire to

allow the injured Soldiers to safely reach the aid station. Upon receipt of orders to proceed to the next objective, his team pushed forward 100 meters under overwhelming enemy fire to recover and prevent the enemy fighters from taking the bodies of their fallen comrades. Staff Sergeant Romesha's heroic actions throughout the day-long battle were critical in suppressing an enemy that had far greater numbers. His extraordinary efforts gave Bravo Troop the opportunity to regroup, reorganize and prepare for the counterattack that allowed the Troop to account for its personnel and secure Combat Outpost Keating. Staff Sergeant Romesha's discipline and extraordinary heroism above and beyond the call of duty reflect great credit upon himself, Bravo Troop, 3d Squadron, 61st Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division and the United States Army.

Heroic tales emanated throughout the terminal as each recipient relived their stories; telling of their humble gallantry, selflessly and deliberately putting their lives in direct danger to save their fellow comrades.

To them, it was an act out of duty to their fellow brothers-in-arms, a sense of responsibility to go above and beyond the call of duty, laying down one's life for the greater good. Acts truly deserving of earning the Medal of Honor.

This is the seventh year the 136th Airlift Wing, participated in this honorable event giving Medal of Honor recipients the honor due living heroes.



# Around the **Wing**



Promotion  
**Colonel  
Jerald K. Williams**

When: March 28, 2015  
136th Operations Group  
Commander



Retirement  
**Master Sgt.  
Theresa Bush**

When: March 29, 2015  
136th Logistics Readiness Squadron  
Specialist



Promotion  
**Lt. Col.  
Lorelei Gomez**

When: March 28, 2015  
136th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron  
Officer

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# Get your **ducks** in a row

## Are your documents in order?

Commentary by Lt. Col Allen Lambright  
136th Force Support Squadron Commander

“That will never happen to me....” “My spouse knows what to do.....” “My records are up to date....”

How many times have we said one of those lines? If you are like me – many, many times....But are the statements true? I will tell on myself. A couple of years ago, I checked my Record of Emergency Data and discovered I had enter my son’s birthday wrong. Keep in mind; he was 12 at the time, so that was at least 11 “certifications that this information is correct” later that I discovered this. I point this out as a reminder that along with PME, Fit Tests and medical readiness, your personnel records are just as important to professional development. If you are missing an award in your records – it didn’t happen therefore potentially costing you a promotion, a new job or a Title 10 tour. If your SGLI beneficiary of that \$400,000 non-taxable lump sum payment is your ex-spouse, that person could be the happiest person around if you were to pass away. If it was intended that way, that’s great. But is your new spouse aware? Don’t laugh; it happens all the time across DoD. Even more common, is where someone’s mother is the beneficiary because you joined at 18. Twelve years and 2 kids later, mom is still the beneficiary and your spouse doesn’t know this. Again, if intended this way, awesome.



I just don’t want to be the one that has to tell your spouse should something happen unexpectedly.

Do you have a power of attorney? You say you don’t need one, but what if your spouse needs to come get a copy of your \_\_\_\_\_ (you fill in the blank), while you are out of town? The Force Support Squadron can’t help them (and therefore you), without something from you that says your spouse can have the information they are requesting. Don’t get mad at FSS, this is your fault not FSS’s fault. Take care of your family, your career and yourself by taking a few minutes and reviewing your awards/decorations, your RIP, your education/PME, and your vRED information. It just might be the most important thing you do today. If your Squadron CSS is not able to assist you, please come by the Force Support Squadron for assistance. For assistance with a power of attorney, the Legal Office should be able to guide you in the right direction.

## MWR HAPPENINGS AT NAS FORT WORTH JRB:

### Month of the Military Child

A free family event Saturday, April 25, 2015 starting with safety bike check at 0930 followed by a bike ride at 1000 from the Fitness center.

Also at the Fitness center:

Kids Zumba class 1000-1030

Kids obstacle course 1100-1300

Story time, crafts & games located at the aerobics room 1200-1245

The Bowling Center is offering free bowling for kids up to 18 years old including shoes 1100-1300

### Granbury Wine Walk

ITT Day Trip to Granbury Wine Walk. Tuesday is the last day to sign up for this trip you won’t want to miss April 25!

Wine walkers can enjoy live music at clusters of booths, each cluster offering Texas flavors in wine, food and art. \$30.00 per person, includes transportation. Sign-up at ITT by April 22. (817) 782-6121. Time of departure to be determined.

### COSMIC Rock-N-Bowl

Friday & Saturday nights, 8-10 PM. \$10 per person - two hours of bowling.

### CDC gives parents a break

Every 1st Saturday from 6:30 am - 5:30 PM

Every 3rd Wednesday from 6:00 PM - 10 PM

For children ages 6 weeks to 13 yrs with valid sponsors.

For more information call (817) 782-7520

### Paddle board lessons

Free 2-hour paddle board lessons at NAS Fort Worth Lake Worth Marina on Thursdays, April 23 and 30 from 1630 to 1830.

For more information call ODR (817) 782-6375.

# Social-media

## We are our own worst enemy

by Major Steven Taylor  
136th Airlift Wing Antiterrorism Officer

Lately there has been a great deal in the news about the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) and other terror organizations using the internet to spread their poisonous ideology all over the world.

Online Magazines such as Dabiq and Inspire Magazine provide training, motivation and indoctrination for self-radicalized jihadist in the western world. Our enemy is very adept at using Twitter to post photographs and videos of their latest war crimes in hopes of recruiting others to their cause.

We should all be very concerned that our enemy has transitioned to using social media as a targeting system against our military and first responders. I'm sure many of you saw the recent news reports of ISIS releasing the names and addresses of 100 U.S. service members and calling for them to be targeted by would be Lone Wolf actors here in the homeland.

The sad fact is that in many cases we are our own

worst enemy when it comes to social media. We often do not realize that the pictures we post and some of the things we say may not only put us in danger as military members, but they may also put our fellow airmen and even our family member's safety at

risk.

I recently spoke with a military member who posted on his Facebook page that "he wished that ISIS would target him" and how "he would like to see how far they would get coming after someone that can fight back etc." He hadn't considered that ISIS might decide to target his family instead of him because his family might be a soft target. He also hadn't considered that he may have also put his fellow service members and their families in jeopardy for the same reasons. He took the post down immediately after I talked to him but to me it seems that we are our own worst enemy when it comes to social media.

Make sure you check your privacy settings, be careful of the photographs you post and make sure that your location services are turned off. Be mindful that your enemy is out there surfing for information they can use to target you or someone you love.



Posting your itinerary on social media is an OPSEC violation that could endanger the mission and your fellow Airmen. Posting selfies with the surrounding background around you or a significant piece of equipment can also give away your location to the enemy. Tagging your location is also a violation of OPSEC. (Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Reed/released)

## Airmen on the run for SAAM



# THE HAPPENING

March-April started with a visit from our employers during the ESGR wing tour. We had several promotions, retirements and change of commands. April is Sexual Assault Awareness month and kicked off with a 5k run. Our very own Staff Sgt. Steven Law, 136 AMXS, took first place in the men's category. The Executive Leadership Development Program (ELDP) visited and learned about our Wing and the Air National Guard's mission. (Air National Guard photos by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert, Master Sgt. Charles Hatton, Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Reed, Staff Sgt. Tamara Dabney and Senior Airman Dejon Williams)



# The Work Place

Airmen from the Wing are everywhere. Their work place ... wherever they show up to do what they do best, they represent the Texas Air National Guard with pride. (Air National Guard photos by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert, Master Sgt. Charles Hatton, Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Reed and Tech. Sgt. Tamara Dabney/released)



# Top **recruiter** of the year

## Tech. Sgt. Sarah Kim

by Tech Sgt. Cory Jeffries  
136th Airlift Wing Recruiter

**P**lease congratulate Tech. Sgt. Sarah Kim. She was recently awarded two awards at the state Recruiting and Retention annual conference in Austin, Texas.

She is not only the top recruiter in our Wing, but she leads the state with the highest number of prior service accessions. She had more than 70

recruits last fiscal year. This is a very impressive number as our entire recruiting team brought in an unprecedented number of 205 recruits.

She was also awarded the highest recruiting award for the state - the Recruiting and Retention Superintendents award. This is given to the recruiter in the state that has the best

overall sustained performance.

We have a high goal again this year, and if you know of anyone that wants to join, please feel free to direct them to the new Recruiting store front at 6626 Westworth Blvd, Fort Worth, TX. The contact number is (817) 732-1360.



The 136th Airlift Wing, Texas Air National Guard Recruiting Team in front of their new store front located at 6626 Westworth Blvd. Fort Worth, Texas. Tech Sgt. Sarah Kim, the only female on the team was recently awarded the top recruiter of the year for the state of Texas, recruiting more than 70 recruits in fiscal year 2014. Congratulation Tech. Sgt. Kim. (Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert/released)

# Moving up... in... out...

## Airmen of the 136th Airlift Wing

Congratulations to the following Airmen on their **PROMOTION** during the months of March and April:

### **COL**

Jerald K Williams

### **LT COL**

Lorelei Gomez

### **MSGT**

Garrett Storm, SFS

### **TSGT**

Richard Shorty, CF

Diana McHam, CF

David Martin, LRS

David Barreno, LRS

Daniel Holmes, MOF

Leah Harris, AW

Tamara Dabney, AW

Andrew Latham, SFS

Anthony Martinez, SFS

Stephen Hugo, SFS

### **SSGT**

Ryan Siglock, CF

Christopher Saunders,

### **SRA**

Tia Hambrick, LRS

John Williams, MXS



**WELCOME** all new comers to the family. May you find your new home as a place to grow and be a valuable member of our team:

Maj Brandon Moore, AS

Capt Golden Broughton, AS

Capt Rodney Keller, FSS

SMSGT Charles Edgerly, Band

TSgt Daniel Bentley, Band

TSgt Erik Dahlgren, Band

TSgt Adam Martinez, 221st

TSgt Chad Nichols, 254th

TSgt Zachary Ransom, MXG

TSgt Michael Capitani, 254th

SSgt Kristina Toro-Quinones, Band

SSgt Robert Brown, MXS

SSgt Dominick Derrico, CES

SSgt Sarah Ferris, FSS

SSgt Orlando Garcia-Ventura, MXS

SSgt Maricela Gonzalez-Martinez, 221st

SSgt Dimitri Morton, LRS

SSgt Timothy Rooney, SFS

SSgt Lorenzo Saavedra, SFS

SSgt William Schenk, MXS

SSgt William Schneck, Student FLT

SSgt Matthew Stokes, SFS

SSgt Brian Zorn, SFS

SSgt Mark Hounder, AW

SSgt Robert Blue, Weather

SSgt Matthew Baird, MXS

SSgt Frances Ortizcolon, MDG

SrA Alexandria Denio, MDG

SrA Tatelyn Hewett, SFS

SrA Casey Raaz, AS

SrA Jacqueline Silva, SFS

SrA Dejon Williams, AW

A1C Warren Farrar, CES

A1C Elijah-Jerel Logan, Student FLT

A1C Jordan Pinson, Student FLT

A1C Chandler Ruiz, Student FLT

A1C Callen Robinson, Student FLT

AB Deion Gladden, Student FLT

We bid **FAREWELL** to those who served with distinction and honor. May your new endeavors take you to greater heights:

Maj Alejandro Rodriguez

SMSGT Patrick Gonzalez

MSGT Theresa Bush

MSGT Deshelia Davis

MSGT Christopher Hughes

TSgt Karie Warner

TSgt David Gilbert

TSgt Tracy Sexton

TSgt Cheree Low



## The 136th Airlift Wing is on Facebook!!

Visit the link below to "like" us...You don't even have to "friend" us to receive Wing updates for community events, discount tickets, free items such as sporting events, giveaways, special events, and photos of 136 AW Airmen in action. Stay tuned for inclement weather base closure information—now on Facebook.

<http://www.facebook/136AW>

# Wing Safety Snip-Its

## Hot summers in Texas

by Senior Master Sgt. Donald Seymore  
136 AW Wing Safety Office

### Heat-related Deaths

Extreme heat events, or heat waves, are the leading cause of extreme weather-related deaths in the United States. The number of heat-related deaths is on the rise. In 1995, 465 heat-related deaths occurred in Chicago. From 1999 to 2010 a total of 7,415 people died of heat-related a death, that's an average of about 618 deaths a year.

### Heat Stress

Heat stress is a heat-related illness caused by your body's inability to cool down properly. The body normally cools itself by sweating, under some conditions, sweating just isn't enough. In such cases a person's body temperature rises rapidly and stays there for an extended period of time. Very high body temperatures may damage the brain and other vital organs.

Several factors affect the body's ability to cool itself during extremely hot weather. When the humidity is high, sweat will does not evaporate as quickly, this prevents the body from releasing heat quickly. Other conditions that cause put

you at risk for heat stress include age, obesity, fever, dehydration, heart disease, mental illness, poor circulation, sunburn, and prescription drug and alcohol use.

Heat stress ranges from milder conditions like heat rash and heat cramps, to the most common type heat exhaustion. The most serious heat-related illness is heat stroke. Heat stroke can cause permanent disability or death if emergency treatment is not provided.

### Risk Factors

Anyone can develop heat stress. The following groups of people have higher risks for experiencing heat stress or heat-related death:

Infants and children up to four years of age,

People 65 years of age and older,

People who are overweight

People who are ill or on certain medications

### Prevention

Heat-related illness or death is preventable if you follow a few simple steps:

Stay in air-conditioned areas during the hottest hours of the day

(10AM to 2PM). If you don't have air conditioning in your home go to a public place such as a shopping mall or library to stay cool. Cooling stations and senior centers are also available in many large cities to people of all ages.

Wear light, loose-fitting clothing.

Drink water often. DO NOT wait until you are thirsty.

Avoid unnecessary hard work or activities if you are outside or in a building without air-conditioning.

Avoid unnecessary sun exposure. When in the sun, wear a hat, preferably with a wide brim.

Air conditioning is the strongest protective factor against heat-related illness. Exposure to air conditioning for even a few hours a day will reduce the risk for heat-related illness.

For more information got to:

<http://ephtracking.cdc.gov/showClimateChangeExtremeHeat.action>

or <https://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/Preparedness/tips/hotWeatherSafetyTips.htm>

# MOH park dedication

Airmen, Sailors and Marines from Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base welcomed more than 15 Medal of Honor recipients at DFW Airport, Texas, April 8, 2015, for their annual MOH parade and park dedication April 9, at Gainesville, Texas. (Air National Guard photos by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert and Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Reed/released)



# Government travel card

## Migrating to travel pin

by Tech. Sgt. Nicholas Skinner  
136th Comptroller Flight

On October 17, 2014, President Obama issued an Executive Order requiring federal agencies to upgrade payment cards and systems. They must now employ enhanced security features including Chip and PIN technology.

What does this mean? Starting in January 2015, Citi Bank will issue Chip and PIN enabled cards to new card applicants, individuals with cards that are scheduled to expire, and individuals reporting a lost or stolen card. Also, between July and October 2015, Citi will issue Chip and PIN

cards for all remaining active accounts.

How you can prepare? Log into CitiManager ([www.citimanager.com/login](http://www.citimanager.com/login)) and review/update your mailing and email address and contact information under My Card Account/Card Maintenance.

# Air National Guard

## Dominates 2015 Best Warrior

by Senior Master Sgt. Elizabeth Gilbert  
136th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

### Who's the best warrior?

An awards banquet was held April 10, 2015 at Camp Mabry, Texas Military Forces Museum announcing the top two winners of the 2015 BWC.

And the winners are... U.S. Air Force Master Sgt Gilbert Magallanez, 204th Security Forces Squadron, Air National Guard, for the NCO category and U.S. Army Specialist Peter Scharff, 176th Engineer Brigade, Army National Guard, for the junior enlisted category. Scharff will progress on to compete in the Army regional competition.

Here are the rest of the BWC results:

### Physical Category

6 Mile Ruck March

NCO- MSgt Gilbert Magallanez

Jr. Enlisted- SrA Christian Morales

### Mystery Event

NCO- MSgt Gilbert Magallanez

Jr. Enlisted- SPC Matthew Harrison

### Obstacle Course

NCO- SGT Juan Ladrillero

Jr. Enlisted- SrA Michael Renteria

### Skill Category

M4 Qualification

NCO- SGT Luis Morales

Jr. Enlisted- SPC Alexandra Wilson

### Day/ Night Land Navigation

NCO- TSgt Matthew Renteria

Jr. Enlisted- SPC Matthew Harrison

### Warrior Task Training

NCO- (2-Way Tie)

MSgt Magallanez and SGT Kevin Ambrester

Jr. Enlisted- (2-Way Tie)

SPC Giglio and SPC William Brown

### Intellect Category

#### Essay

NCO- MSgt Gilbert Magallanez

Jr. Enlisted- SPC Alexandra Wilson



# Disciplinary Actions

## *Operations Group*

None to report

## *Maintenance Group*

2 Discharges- Urinalysis Failures

5 LOR- 2 GTC

3 Urinalysis Failures

10 LOC- Fitness

## *Mission support Group*

2 Discharges- Urinalysis Failures

2 LOR- Tardiness

Failure to progress

1 LOC- Failure to progress

## *Medical Group*

1 Reduction in Rank

3 LOR- Fitness

3 LOC- Fitness

## *Air Wing*

2 Discharges- Urinalysis Failure

Fitness

## *254th Combat Communications Group*

None to report



## 2015 Best Warrior Awards



**3D1X4 - SPECTRUM OPS**  
**J1WOX2 - (9) COMBAT WEATHER (males only)**  
**1A1X1 - FLIGHT ENGINEER**  
**1A2X1 - (8) LOADMASTER**  
**2A6X4 - (3) AIRCRAFT FUELS SYSTEMS**  
**3POX1 - SECURITY FORCES**  
**3EOX2 - ELECTRIC POWER PRODUCTION**  
**3MOX1 - SERVICES**  
**2A6X6 - AIRCRAFT FUELS AND ENVIRONMENTAL**  
**2T1X1 - VEHICLE OPS**  
**3D1X3 - RF TRANSMISSION SYSTEM**  
**2FOX1 - (2) FUELS**  
**1SOX1 - (2) SAFETY**  
**3N1X1 - (2) BAND**

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\*(B) bonus