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# Commander Comments



*Editorial by Col. Randall Ortiz*

Are you ready? As an active member of the 180th Fighter Wing, I would be hard pressed to believe that your supervisors have not asked you this question repeatedly over the last several months. As the Maintenance Group commander leading the best maintainers in the world, I've gone to great lengths to make certain my senior leaders and all of our Airmen are doing their best to ensure their readiness, both while they train, and in their personal lives. You may be asking, "Why all this talk about readiness right now?" You may also assume that because you wear the uniform, that everything will fall into place, if the time comes when your supervisor suddenly and without notice, calls on you to perform your military duties abroad with very little time to prepare. That is not the time to say "But I'm not ready!" We all know that's not the right answer... This article is an effort to provide some background on why readiness is so important, especially right now.

In late 2017, the United States' most senior civilian and military leaders, fused voluminous historical intelligence analysis and classified present day information from all over the world, and corroborated to completely re-write our country's National Defense Strategy. Taking lead on this effort, our secretary of defense, retired Marine General James Mattis, signed this all important document, that outlines our newly defined threats, the military strategies devised to confront them, and communicates the need for future modernization and procurement across all of the services. The NDS document leaves the reader with a couple of quick take-aways, both of which begin to answer the readiness question.

First, the NDS outlines the current state of military affairs, defining our country's military as an apparatus that has been at war for 27 years; ever since we launched Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm in 1991. The NDS stresses the "back to basics" tenets

of "compete, deter and win" in the current tumultuous economic and geo-politically volatile environments that exist in almost every region of the globe. This last March, I had the privilege of attending a short course in Washington D.C., and received a briefing that elaborated on the subversive methods and strategies that our competing countries are engaging in, every single day, to economically, politically and eventually militarily undermine the effectiveness of our own military. It was eye-opening to say the least.

The second point that is driven home by the NDS makes clear the threats all of the services need to be prepared to face in a potential conflict in our current environment. It mentions the efforts that Russia and China are undertaking to bolster their position in the world. It also mentions North Korea, Iran, and terrorism as enduring threats abroad, with terrorism including forcible threats to the homeland either by foreign operatives, or home-grown extremists. The NDS also stresses the necessary surveillance of worldwide weapons of mass destruction and the knowledge, resources and expertise used to proliferate them as an enduring, dynamic, and mobile effort.

Match these threats to the present day status of the U.S. Military: We are a country that has been at war for almost 30 years, fighting in countries where air superiority and air dominance has been pretty much guaranteed, and we didn't have to tactically fight to earn it back. For the U.S. Air Force specifically, we need to get back to the basics on preparing ourselves for the fight. In short, increasing combat readiness for scenarios we haven't planned for in a very long time.

As part of your leadership team, there's no greater

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# Chemical Weapons Attack

## Maintainers Simulate Operations



An Airman assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing maintenance group uses hand signals to direct an F-16 Fighting Falcon during a training exercise.



Maintenance is a critical component in keeping aircraft flight ready. For every hour an aircraft spends flying, it spends dozens of hours being inspected, prepped and worked on to ensure it is fully operational.

Airmen with the 180th Fighter Wing Maintenance Group are responsible for performing maintenance work on hundreds of millions of dollars of equipment.

To ensure that the 180FW is able to maintain optimal readiness and effectiveness even in adverse conditions, the maintenance group operated two full days in Mission-Oriented Protective Posture, or MOPP gear. The exercise, conducted May 19-20, 2018, simulated operating in a chemical weapons attack environment.

“We are working hard, sweating and just doing our jobs in the gear,” said Chief Master Sgt. Michael Bratton, superintendent of the 180FW Maintenance Operations Flight. “If we operate and train in this environment it will be second nature when we have to do it while deployed.”

While deployed, Airmen often operate in austere conditions and must be prepared to continue effectively operating during a chemical weapons attack, despite additional challenges.

“Navigating around the jet is a little trickier when wearing bulky gear,” said Senior Airman Shawna Bucher, crew chief with the 180FW Maintenance Group. “It is already dangerous and you need to be aware of your surroundings at all times.”

MOPP gear is a multi-piece suit which consists of boots, gloves, pants, a coat and a gas mask.

Despite the challenge of operating with hot, bulky gear on, Airmen were able to maintain, launch and recover numerous

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aircraft over the 2 day period.

“I am very impressed with the performance of our Airmen,” said Bratton. “Despite the challenges they have faced things have gone very smoothly.”

The mission of the Air Force is to fly, fight and win.

“Part of flying, fighting and winning is operating in a pretty nasty environment,” said Bratton.

According to Master Sgt. Jim Raabe,

assistant superintendent of aerospace ground equipment, the 180FW has received comments and inspections stating that we have some of the best maintained equipment in the fleet.

“Our Airmen are dedicated and perform very well,” said Bratton. “They work hard and are some of the best in the fleet.”

To recognize the hard work of the maintainers across the wing, the 180FW celebrates National Aviation Maintenance Technician Day each year on May 24, which honors aviation mechanics across the country.





# Military Dentists: A Full-Filling Career Choice



Lt. Col. Jennifer Ludwig, a dentist assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, Ohio National Guard, reviews x-rays, during a monthly training event.  
*Photo by Senior Master Sgt. Beth Holliker*



Driving nice cars and living the good life are often some of the reasons mentioned by high school students when asked why they want to be a medical professional, and for Lt. Col. Jennifer Ludwig, her reasons were no different.

“You get asked what you want to be, a lot, in high school,” said Ludwig, Chief of Dental Operations assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, Ohio National Guard. “A doctor seemed like a good answer, but medical seemed to cliché. My dentist and orthodontist seemed to really enjoy life and drove nice cars. You’re a teenager. Those reasons seem so trivial now, this turned out to be a great career choice.”



Military service has long been a tradition in her family and Ludwig had always felt the draw to serve.

“My maternal grandfather quit high school and joined the Army, along with two of his brothers, during WWII,” said Ludwig. “My uncle served in the Navy and my father served in the Army.”

Considering a career in the U.S. Air Force, Ludwig looked into the U.S. Air Force Academy, but the curriculum did not align well with pre-dental requirements. She also considered joining the active duty ranks, but decided to stay closer to home and pursue her education in the dental field.

It wasn’t until several years later, during her dental residency program, that the urge to serve her country surfaced again.

During her residency program, Ludwig had the chance to work with other dental professionals who were assigned, as dentist, to the Air National Guard.

After learning about their experiences and the opportunities available in the ANG’s dental field, Dr. Jennifer Ludwig, DC, and DDS, raised her right hand and joined the Ohio National Guard’s 180th Fighter Wing, in January, 2001 and never looked back.

Now, 17 years later and officer in charge of the wing’s five-person dental team, Ludwig couldn’t be more proud of her career choice.

“I really planned on completing my initial six-year commitment and then moving on,” said Ludwig. “But after six years, the 180th and the medical group became another family to me and I couldn’t leave. This is part of who I am and I’m not done yet.”

Ludwig and her team are charged with ensuring dental health and readiness of the more than 1,000 members assigned to the 180FW, sometimes conducting up to 75 dental exams in one training weekend.

“Our Airmen are required to be both physically and medically fit and ready to deploy at a moment’s notice, and that includes dental health,” said 180FW Commander, Col. Kevin Doyle. “When we are deployed around the world and in the fight, we won’t always have access to advanced dental care and we don’t want our folks to be dealing with preventable dental issues or pain. We need them fit to fight.”

Not only has she led the charge to ensure 180FW members are ready to meet world-wide, mission requirements, Ludwig and her team, have also been able to support missions closer to home.

“I love being challenged,” said Ludwig. “And one of the biggest challenges was a humanitarian

mission we did as part of our Innovative Readiness Training, in Marten Tennessee in 2013. The unmet dental need was unlike anything I had ever seen. Heartbreaking and rewarding all at the same time.

The 180FW dental and medical teams participate in IRT events often, partnering with the Army, Navy and Marines to provide free, and much needed, medical care to at-risk communities around the country, most recently participating in two IRT events in 2017.

Ludwig is a drill status guardsman, meaning that her military requirements are to participate in training weekends, once a month. In addition, DSG members must participate in at least two weeks of active duty, military readiness training each year, as an operational reserve to the active duty force, all while balancing a fulltime civilian career.

When not serving in her military capacity, Ludwig is an orthodontist serving the Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan areas, where she and her business partner operate three office locations in Lambertville, Michigan and in Sylvania and Monclova, Ohio. 🐝



Lt. Col. Jennifer Ludwig, evaluates the bite of new patient, Isaac Chubb.



Lt. Col. Jennifer Ludwig conducts a routine dental exam for Senior Airman Carly Sommers.





# Hungarian Delegation Visits 180FW

Story & Photos by Staff Sgt. Shane Hughes

**R**epresentatives from the Hungarian Defence Forces visited the 180th Fighter Wing May 15, as part of a state visit marking the 25th anniversary of a partnership between Hungary and Ohio.

The Ohio National Guard and Hungary signed a bilateral affairs agreement July 14, 1993, as part of the National Guard State Partnership Program to establish military cooperation and promote regional stability.

“This partnership enhances joint training between our military forces and builds cultural understanding,” said Brig. Gen. Todd Audet, Ohio Air National Guard chief of staff. “It increases our capabilities and allows us to achieve mutual security goals.”

“Over the course of this partnership, Ohio has sent thousands of Airmen to different exercises with Hungarian forces,” said Chief Master Sgt. Thomas A. Jones, State Command Chief, Ohio Air National Guard. “These exercises allow our forces to learn from each other and develop lasting relationships.”

After arriving at the 180FW, the delegation met with wing leadership and received a tour of the base from Wing Commander Col. Kevin Doyle.

“We’re honored to have served alongside the Hungarian Defence Forces over the past 25 years, and we look forward to serving together over the next 25 years,” Doyle said.

The delegates also attended a Lucas County Commissioners meeting at One Government Center in Toledo, Ohio. The commissioners presented a proclamation during the meeting, ensuring the partnership will continue into the future.

“This is a unique commemoration of a unique partnership,” said Peter Ujvagi, Toledo city councilman, who also happens to be Hungarian born.

“This is not a symbolic partnership,” said Pete Gerken, president of the Lucas County Commissioners. “This is a real partnership. The National Guard and the Hungarian Defence Forces have deployed together 10 times, and when people deploy together they form a bond stronger than any symbolic partnership.”

**“This partnership enhances joint training between our military forces and builds cultural understanding”**

Following the meeting with commissioners, the delegates visited with City of Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz.

“We live in a global village,” Kapszukiewicz said. “Toledo has taken its role seriously as a partner in international relations.”

The day’s events concluded with a luncheon and ceremony at a local restaurant, where the

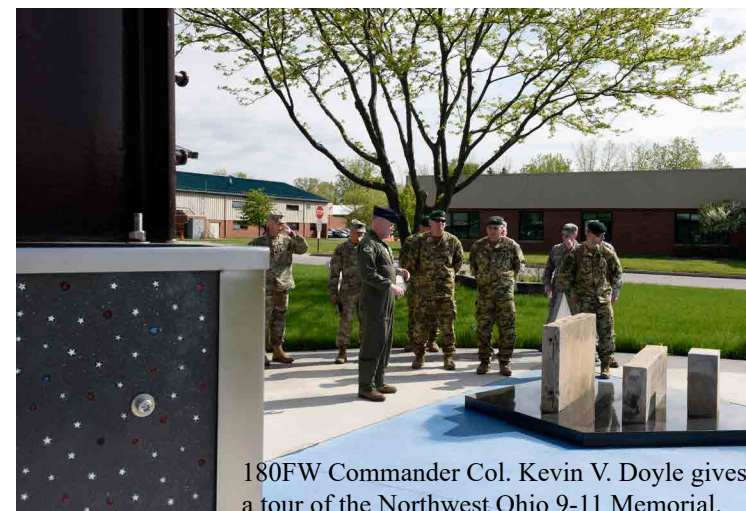
delegates were presented with mementos from community leaders and the Hungarian Club of Toledo.

“We have common values, we have a common history and we have common goals,” said Command Sgt. Maj. István Kriston, the senior enlisted leader of the Hungarian Defence Forces. “The cross-training we get from the state partnership help us understand each other and helps prepare us for any future challenges we might face.”

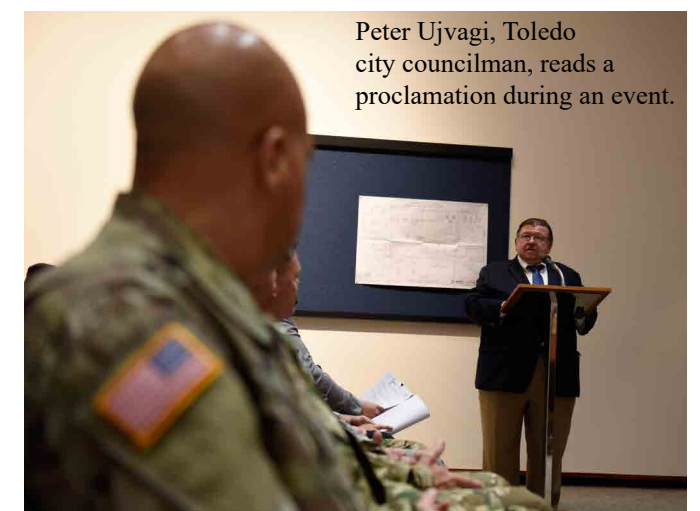
The State Partnership Program is managed by the National Guard Bureau and consists of more than 70 U.S. states and territories that have been partnered with nations around the world and each focuses on peacekeeping efforts, training exercises, leadership development courses and interoperability. The partnership between Ohio and Hungary is one of the oldest in the nation since the program’s creation in 1993. 🇺🇸



Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz presents a certificate to Maj. Gen. Istvan Szabo, Deputy Chief of Defense for the Hungarian Defense Forces.



180FW Commander Col. Kevin V. Doyle gives a tour of the Northwest Ohio 9-11 Memorial.



Peter Ujvagi, Toledo city councilman, reads a proclamation during an event.



Peter Ujvagi, Toledo city councilman, reads a proclamation during an event commemorating the 25th anniversary of a partnership between Ohio and Hungary.



# 180FW Fire Fighter Training Exercises

*Photos by Staff Sgt. Shane Hughes*



U.S. Air Force firefighters, assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, Ohio Air National Guard, spray water on a fire during training exercises.





U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Caleb Mock, a firefighter assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, rests between training exercises.



U.S. Air Force firefighters evacuate simulated victims.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Tyler Roberts drives a fire suppression vehicle.



U.S. Air Force firefighters exit a flashover training facility.



A U.S. Air Force firefighter monitors the temperature of a burning room.



A U.S. Air Force firefighter assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, Ohio Air National Guard, stacks pallets of wood to burn during training exercises.



U.S. Air Force firefighters spray water on a fire.



Airman 1st Class Brianna Espino practices hose techniques.



A U.S. Air Force firefighter pulls a firehose inside a structure fire training facility after climbing a flight of stairs.



A flashover training facility smokes as firefighters sit inside.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Andrea Villegas dons her firefighting equipment.



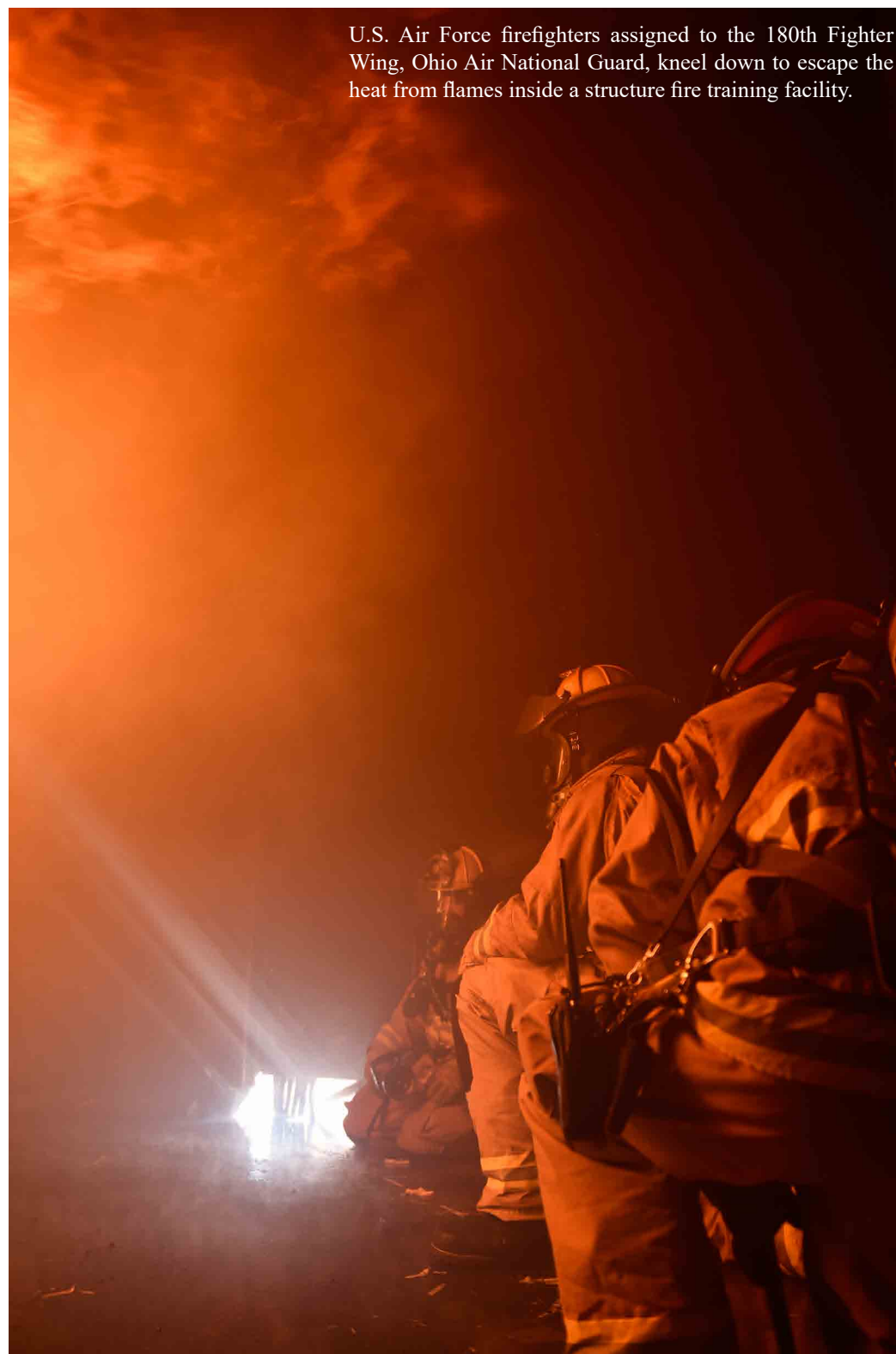
A U.S. Air Force firefighter walks through smoke outside the flashover training facility.



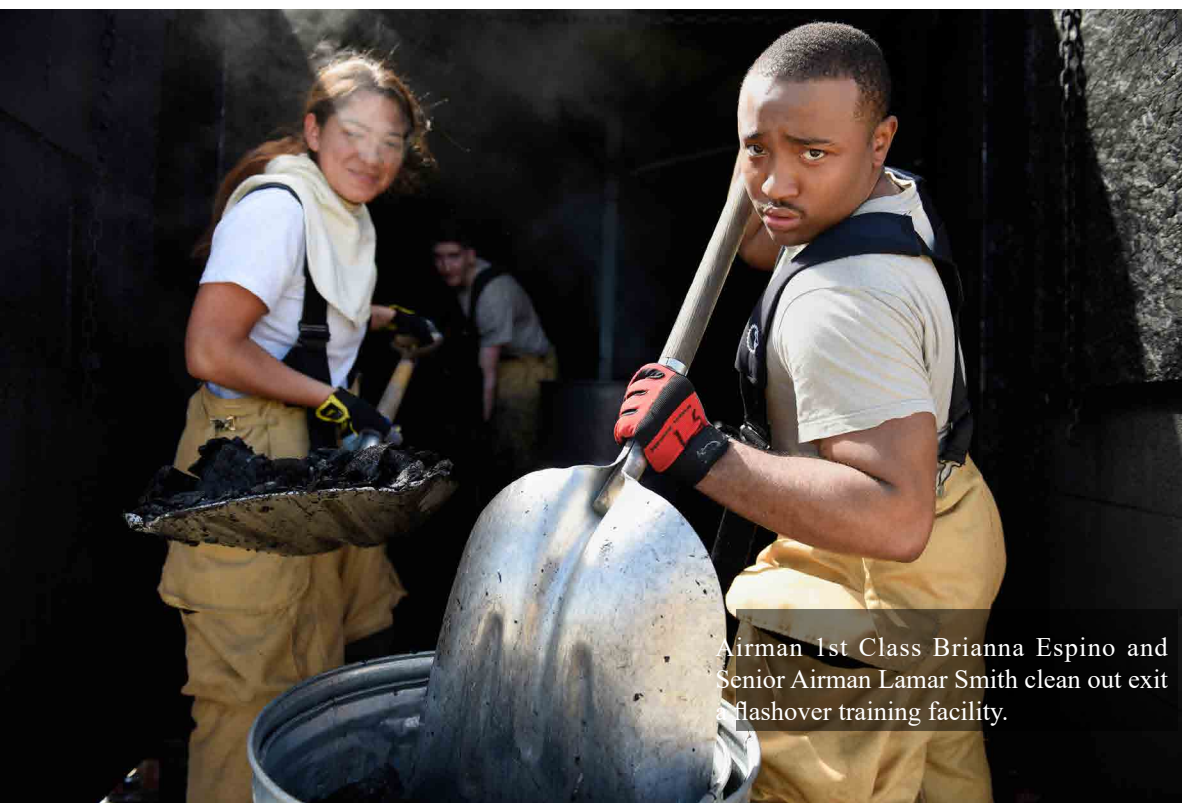
U.S. Air Force firefighters practice putting out a fire on a simulated aircraft.



U.S. Air Force firefighters assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, Ohio Air National Guard, kneel down to escape the heat from flames inside a structure fire training facility.



Airman 1st Class Brianna Espino and Senior Airman Lamar Smith clean out exit of flashover training facility.



U.S. Air Force firefighters vacuate simulated victims.



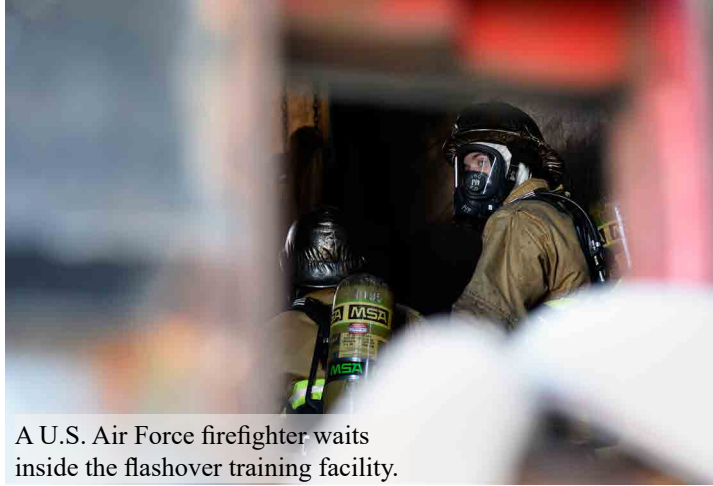
U.S. Air Force firefighters search a structure fire training facility.







U.S. Air Force firefighters check each other's suits and equipment.



A U.S. Air Force firefighter waits inside the flashover training facility.



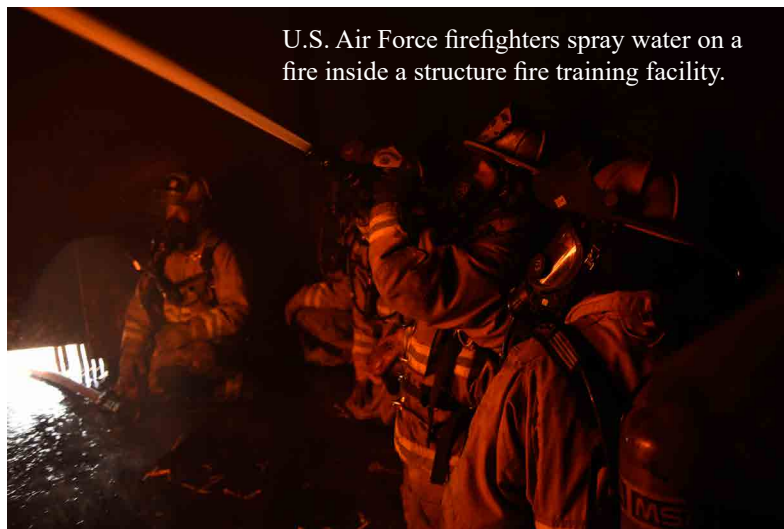
U.S. Air Force firefighters evacuate simulated victims.



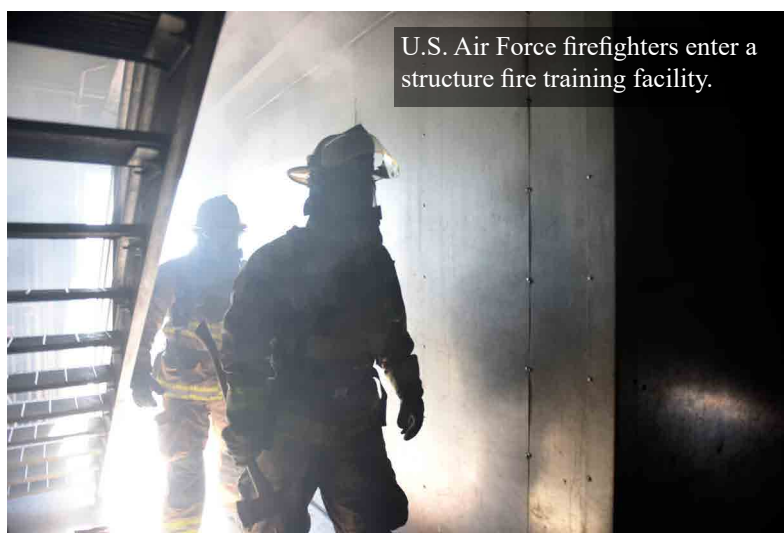
A U.S. Air Force firefighter enters a burning room during structure fire training exercises.



U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Ned McElfresh exits a burning building during structure fire training exercises.



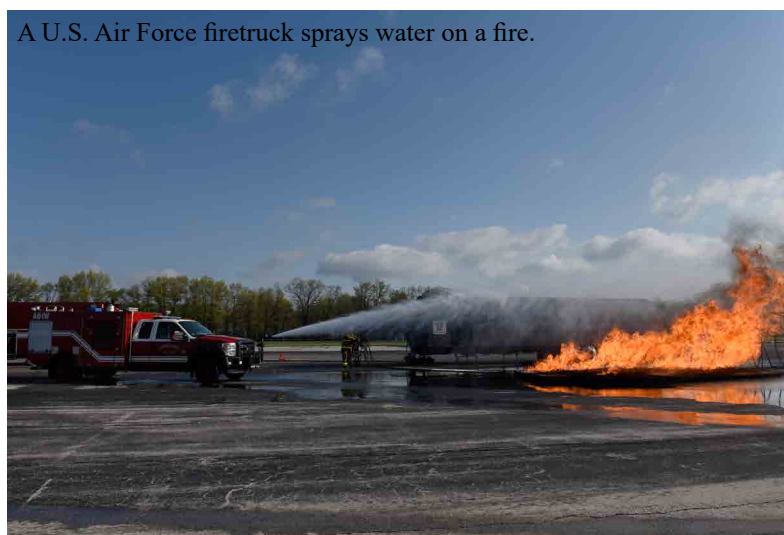
U.S. Air Force firefighters spray water on a fire inside a structure fire training facility.



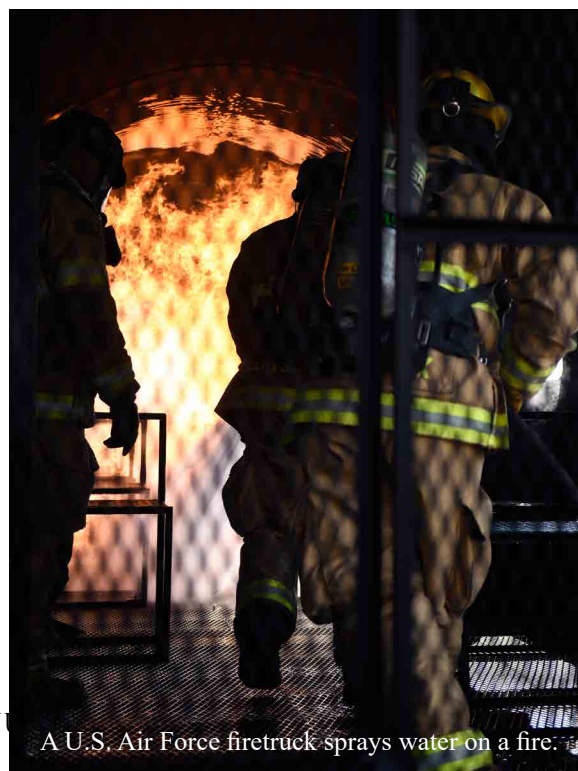
U.S. Air Force firefighters enter a structure fire training facility.



U.S. Air Force firefighters evacuate simulated victims.



A U.S. Air Force firetruck sprays water on a fire.



A U.S. Air Force firetruck sprays water on a fire.



U.S. Air Force firefighters provide first aid for simulated victims.



# Airman Reflects on Cancer Diagnosis 8 Years Later

Story & Photo by Airman 1st Class Hope Geiger

Feeling sick, Chief Master Sgt. Paul Martin, wing command and control functional manager assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing, visited his family doctor. The doctor felt a lump in his neck, and told him it was

most likely a cyst that would go away on its own. A little shocked, he went home and monitored it over time. When it continued to grow, he returned to his doctor. The doctor conducted a biopsy, and Martin could not believe the results. He

had cancer. In February of 2010, Martin’s doctor diagnosed him with thyroid cancer. “It’s like, when the doctor told me, everything stopped after that,” said Martin. “They kept talking, telling me what to expect and what I had to do, but it just went right out. All I could think was what is this going to mean.” Martin’s doctor scheduled him for an extensive surgery a month later to remove his entire thyroid gland, parathyroid gland,

several lymph nodes, and part of the muscle wall in his neck where the tumor had spread. He spent the following two days in the intensive care unit to recover and then underwent three intensive rounds of radioactive iodine treatments. “The first round I went through was basically a liquid I had to drink out of a straw that was in what looked like a lead lined paint can,” said Martin. “It was all bizarre, after I drank the fluid out of the can, they ran a geiger counter over me to see if it had flowed down to my stomach.”

These treatments made him radioactive, requiring him to stay three feet away from others for three days. Since Martin’s tumors grew so rapidly in the beginning, the doctor continued to monitor him every 90 days following his surgery. At these appointments he had ultrasounds, positron emission tomography scans and blood draws. “I repeated this cycle several times because I did have some tissue reappear, so I had to do another round of radioactive treatment,” said Martin.

“My body is producing thyroid antibodies and the number is supposed to be zero within the first year after radiation,” explained Marin. “There should have been no thyroid antibodies in my system. The body produces that as its own way of fighting off the disease, so it being present in my system suggests that there are some cancerous tissues.” The doctors, concerned about these numbers rising, increased the frequency of tests. “I was constantly going in and giving more,” Martin said. “More blood, more ultrasounds, and more scans.” But the doctors could not find an explanation for these antibodies. It’s been eight years and he still visits the doctors every few months. “Last year my oncologist kind of threw up his hands, so to speak, and wasn’t sure what to do with my case anymore,” said Martin. “They couldn’t find any new tumors, but my bloodwork suggested there was a cancerous tumor somewhere in my body.” In June of 2017, Martin visited an endocrinologist and spent a few days going through different kinds of tests, and the endocrinologist couldn’t find anything either. “It’s been a long journey,” Martin said. “I don’t worry about it as much as I did initially. As time has gone on I just accepted that I had to deal with this and just move forward. I feel pretty healthy, I just don’t have the energy I use to.” The thyroid gland impacts every other system in the body and regulates metabolism. Martin’s energy plummeted after his thyroid removal. The doctors gave him medication to take every day for the rest of his life to fix this problem. “For some of the thyrogen scans,

I had to go off my medication for some time,” said Martin. “I felt so exhausted I couldn’t open my eyes. Since the thyroid controls your energy, when I had to go off my medication I just felt like my legs were lead blocks, I could barely move or even get off the couch.” He had to deal with the anxiety that came along with all the stressors of the unknown. “I just thought the worst because I just didn’t know,” said Martin. “When they dropped the ‘C’ word on me I was terrified, and my daughter was young then, so I had to make sure all my ducks were in a row.” The endless support from his family, friends, coworkers and church has helped him tremendously throughout this whole process. “Fortunately, I worked at the 180FW full time just before it happened, and at the time, Maj. Gen. Bartman was my boss and Brig. Gen. Nordhaus was the alert detachment commander and both of them really supported me doing whatever I needed to do to get back on my feet,” Martin said. “Maj. Gen. Bartman gave me advice that helped put me at ease.” “Chief Master Sgt. Martin is a great example of resiliency,” said Maj. Gen. Mark Bartman, current Ohio adjutant general and Martin’s former wing commander. “He was able to fight and beat his cancer, make it to Chief and be a leader for new Airmen, I am very proud of him.” Martin also reached out to Alina Fuller, the director of psychological health at the 180FW when he needed someone to talk to. “My daughter was about 10 or 11 at the time,” said Martin. “I started thinking the worst like, ‘Am I going to be here to see my daughter grow up and graduate?’ so I reached out to Alina for some help and she helped my entire family and that means a lot to me.” Martin’s family contained no prior history of this kind of cancer, so he’s thankful he went to the doctor when he felt sick. “It’s hard to focus when you’re trying to provide for your family and hold down a job and a career, and when something like this pops up in the middle, it kind of side tracks everything,” said Martin. “So having the support here, from my family and from my church was very helpful to me.” Martin hopes his journey will encourage others to take better care of their own health. “Now, I tell people to go get a physical done every year,” Martin said. “Don’t take your health for granted even if you don’t have a history of anything you never know what could happen.” 🙏





# 180FW Security Forces Train at Battle Creek



An Airman assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing fires an M4 Carbine during a live-fire training exercise.

Story & Photos by Staff Sgt. John Wilkes

**“FIRE!”** the voice called. Within seconds, the audible crack of Airmen hitting their targets rang out.

The Security Forces Squadron of the 180th Fighter Wing, Ohio Air National Guard, conducted live-fire training on multiple weapons systems at Fort Custer Training Center in Battle Creek, Michigan from April 16-20, 2018.

Airmen assigned to 180FW Security Forces conducted training on the M249 Squad Automatic Weapon, M240-B medium machine gun, M203 under-barrel grenade launcher and the M4 carbine. Airmen also took part in Humvee Egress Assistance Training and land navigation fundamentals.

“Training events like this allow us to satisfy annual training requirements while building skillsets related to our core functions, such as base security and law enforcement,” said Maj. Diana Sluhan, operations officer assigned to the 180FW Security Forces Squadron.

Throughout the training event, Airmen fired thousands of rounds through various weapons systems.

“It was a great experience,” said Senior Airman Ronald Callahan, a security forces technician assigned to the 180FW. “The scenarios were more realistic than I expected.”

Following live-fire training, Airmen took aim, using more than 15 different weapons, on the EST 2000, a computerized weapon

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training system allowing them to operate as a squad in different realistic scenarios that could be encountered in various environments at home and abroad.

“The EST 2000 is a very valuable tool, as it allows us to simulate a wide variety of training scenarios from domestic violence and active shooter to combat operations,” said Sluhan.

According to Staff Sgt. Armando Vargas, a security forces specialist with the 180FW, the simulator is able to produce realistic, controllable scenarios enabling Airmen to communicate and act as a cohesive unit. Presenting these realistic scenarios allows decision making and teamwork to be honed and refined.

Data is collected throughout the simulations, allowing instructors to accurately address and remedy shooting techniques such as trigger pull, aiming and breathing.

“If an Airman is not executing the proper fundamentals of shooting, we are able to correct that in a safe environment,” Vargas said.

Airmen also took part in Humvee Egress Assistance Training, during which, a Humvee is rotated upside down to simulate a vehicle rollover, allowing Airmen to practice emergency exit drills.

According to Sluhan, it is important to maintain and increase proficiency in these areas to ensure Airmen are capable of operating effectively and efficiently, whether at home or overseas.

“This has been a very valuable training period,” said Sluhan. “Fort Custer provides

us access to training resources not available at our home base and it is not far away, which maximizes our training period so we can get the best training possible.”

The 180FW and Air National Guard conduct daily training, in realistic environments, under realistic circumstances to ensure our force maintains the highest levels of proficiency and readiness to answer the call to duty.



Airmen assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing review their targets during a live-fire training exercise.



An Airman assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing loads ammunition into a magazine.



Airmen fire M4 Carbines in the kneeling position.



Staff Sgt. Xavier Graciani prepares his target.



Tech Sgt. Joshua Hartle conducts a safety brief.





# **180FW SFS Participates in Leadership Course**

*Photos by Staff Sgt. Shane Hughes*

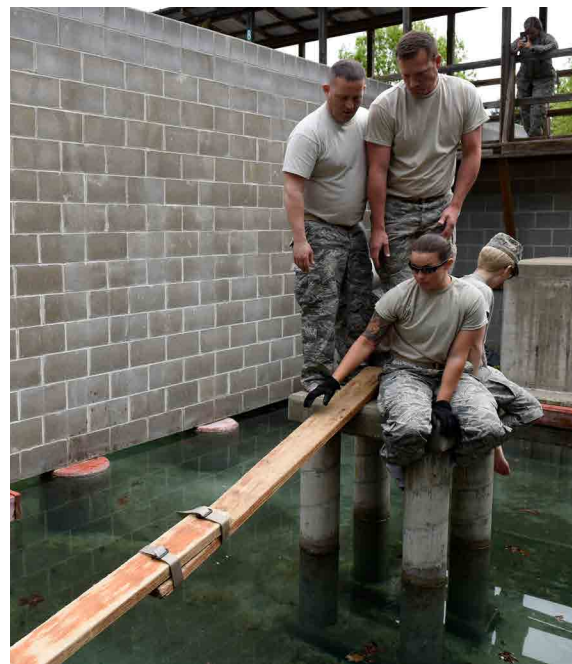




U.S. Air Force security forces specialists, Staff Sgt. Kalib Stuart and Senior Airman Kyle Knox work together to cross an obstacle.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Daniel Johnson, a security forces specialist climbs through a tunnel which is part of an obstacle.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Kelly Pohlman hands a 40-pound ammo box to Staff Sgt. Jeremy Behnfeldt.







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responsibility to any commander than to provide adequate training and resources to ensure that you can accomplish our mission in a degraded and contested environment, while simultaneously practicing proven survivability skills to ensure yourself and your wingman can fight another day. I guarantee you, this Wing's senior leadership team is taking the mandates set forth in the NDS very seriously, and we will continue to practice all of these skills to continuously increase our unit readiness.

So again, I ask, "Are you ready?" Some of the basic items that come to mind are: Do you have a Family Care Plan? Is your medical and dental status satisfactory? Have you engaged our legal office to draft wills and powers of attorney? Is your Government Travel Card active and synched with Defense Travel System? Will someone be able to manage your finances while you're deployed? Have our readiness exercises identified any shortfalls that your supervisor needs to acquire for you? If so, tell them as soon as possible! Have you completed all of your ancillary training? Are you up to date for your Air Force Specialty Code skill level? These are just a few of the questions you might want to ask yourself as you assess your readiness, both as an Airman, and as a personal family member at home. And remember, these items should be accomplished and current at all times, as service members, it's all of our responsibility.

Lastly, never forget that your supervisors, commanders and all Wing resources are at your beck and call for anything you may need. Please ask! We can't assist if we don't know you need something. Help your leadership help you become the most valuable asset we can offer to support our NDS. If you do that, there's nothing in the document that we can't conquer by providing unsurpassed combat airpower anywhere in the world, just like we've done for 100 years! Thanks for reading this article. Nothing makes me prouder than serving next to all of my fellow Stingers! 🐝

# CONGRATULATIONS to the following Airmen on their recent promotions

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- Amn Nicholas H. Whitman, Maintenance Squadron

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