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# COMMANDER

By Colonel Ronald Wilson, 110th Attack Wing Commander



*Members of the 110th Attack Wing, welcome to November drill.*

Here we are again, barely two weeks after wrapping up the final interviews and speaking to observations for the 2015 ACC Inspector General and AFIA, UEI Capstone visit. For many of us, October's UTA ended up being a blur of inspection-related activities and passing glances as we moved from one appointment to another. But like they say, time flies when you're having fun—which makes a whole lot of sense when considering all of the fun we had working alongside the inspectors and WIT members as they provided us with an amazing opportunity to learn, improve, and develop benchmarks for future actions. So first and foremost, I want to personally thank each of you for all of the hard work and energy you put into building up to and pulling off a successful Unit Effectiveness Inspection under the new Air Force Inspection System (AFIS). Despite a few isolated episodes of turbulence and short-term disruptions in the year leading up to the UEI, I believe that everyone involved was able to walk away with a better sense of how the AFIS works and great ideas for ways to further enhance the wing going forward. In my opinion, our inspection was an unquestionable success.

Regrettably, despite my desire to provide you with more direct feedback, I am not yet able to deliver specific information about our overall, final grade at this time because the new process requires a 30-day review process before submission. My sincere hope is that we will be able to distribute the IG's final report by December UTA, or sooner if it becomes available. What I can provide today are a few of the highlights and initial remarks that were offered by the ACC IG and AFIA teams, which I intend to further expound upon during Commander's Call in the DFAC on Saturday.

Bottom line, the ACC IG could not say enough good things about the people and programs at the 110th Attack Wing; everything from your attention to customs and courtesies, operational expertise, and the care taken to ensure our facilities are top notch. This is a victory that I directly attribute to the pride I know that every airmen from the 110th has in being the best at what we do—always. In regard to the general inspection results, I am also thrilled to report that even though we would have liked to have been flawless in all areas, we knew that we were not going to be perfect, but there were far more positives than negatives. On the bottom end we had zero 'Critical' and only six 'Significant' findings identified. That is beyond impressive considering the number of programs that were being inspected. As far as 'Minor' findings—we had 23. Again, these are very good numbers since these are issues that should be easy to fix. On the plus side,

the ACC IG identified 18 Strength areas; three times the number of 'Significant' scores. And even more exciting is that 29 of our airmen were individually identified as Superior Performers. This is absolutely outstanding!

So in recognition of your commitment to finish strong, we are planning to collectively take a deep breath this weekend and spend some time Saturday afternoon socializing in the hangar as we wind down from the 2015 UEI marathon. As I mentioned in my comments last month, the UEI Capstone visit really was just the beginning of what will be continuous, day-to-day, ground-level inspections and course corrections that will carry us forward until the IG team returns for a mid-term inspection in 2017. So enjoy a little down time this weekend, because the next race is about to begin. For now though, the first drink is on me.

Be safe and have a great drill weekend.

## PROMOTIONS

1 November 2015

Senior Master Sgt. Robert O. Mills (CRTC)  
Tech. Sgt. Matthew T. Perry (CRTC)  
Tech. Sgt. Steve J. Wilson (OSS)  
Staff Sgt. Andrew J. Hart (SFS)  
Senior Airman Scott A. Wilson (AOG)

## DFAC MENU

### Saturday

Roast Turkey	Glazed Ham
Garlic Mashed Potato	Glazed Sweet Potato
Turkey Gravy	Stuffing
Green Beans w/mushrooms	Butternut Squash
Buttered Dinner Rolls	Tuna Salad
Hamburger/Cheeseburger	Grilled Chicken
Tuna Tortilla Wrap	Grilled Polish Sausage

### Sunday

Salisbury Steak	Stuffed Pollock Fillet
Macaroni and Cheese	Broccoli Confetti Rice
Peas/Carrots	Italian Vegetable Blend
Buttered Dinner Roll	Brown Gravy
Italian Pasta	Grilled Chicken
Hamburger/Cheeseburger	Chicken Gyros
French Fries	

## BOW HUNTING ON BASE

Once again we will be allowing Bow Hunting on the installation outside of duty hours and planned wing activities. Individuals interested in Bow Hunting on Base for the current season should visit the Installation Hunting SharePoint Page (below) and complete both the "Hunter's Responsibilities" and "Hunting Waiver" and return them to Wing Safety for further processing.

<https://eis.ang.af.mil/org/110AW/WingStaff/SE/Ground/Hunting/Installation%20Hunter%20ROE/Forms/AllItems.aspx>

Please Contact Wing Safety Staff with any further questions.

## FITNESS ON BASE

### Wing Fitness Center

Hours 0500-1900

(SFS can open outside these hours if you ask)

Services will be providing Practice fitness tests at the Track at 1530 Every Saturday of Drill. Our core target audience will be members who are currently enrolled in the Fitness Improvement Program. We will have fitness and Recreation Personnel available to assist in proper form for Pushups and Sit ups. The 1.5 mile run will also be timed. The classes are in Arcnet so that attendance can be tracked. Please schedule your members for the classes.

Please do not sign up for practice tests during fitness testing on Sundays. Saturdays will be for Practice testing.

We will not be providing Waist Measurements during these sessions.

We encourage all UFPMs and PTLs to attend to document members progress.

Thank you and we hope to see you out at the track!

## BASE BOX

(affiliate name TBD)

Building 6900 (Large Hangar) WOD Day/Times

(Workout of the Day)

Sun of UTA 0630-0730

Tues-Fri 0630-0730

Tues-Fri 1600-1700

All Skill /Fitness Levels welcome and encouraged!

WHAT WE DO AT THE BOX?

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CrossFitHQ>

MICHIGAN NATIONAL GUARD WEBSITE

[www.minationalguard.com](http://www.minationalguard.com)



## GUARDSMAN OF THE MONTH



Capt. Cailean Gee receives a coin from the 110th Attack Wing Commander, Friday, October 23, 2015 for October's Wing Guardsman of the month for going above and beyond the call of duty when he assisted a local restaurant owner going through distress while trying to complete food orders for her customers.



Master Sgt. Marjorie Walden receives a coin from 110th Attack Wing Commander, Friday, October 23, 2015 for October's Wing Guardsman of the month for going above and beyond the call of duty when she witnessed a car accident stopping at the scene to assist.

## STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE

State Tuition Assistance is now an online process!

Go to: [www.michigan.gov/dmva](http://www.michigan.gov/dmva)

Click on education assistance

Go to MI State Tuition Assistance Program

Click the online application to begin.

Register as new user

Password is dmva123

Matt, a representative with the MING-STAP will be here for the College Day on Saturday of November UTA to answer any questions.

## VOLUNTEER + EPR BULLETS

Every year the 110th ATK Wing hosts an open house for a 5K 10K Running event, this year is on the November 14th. Recent events changing our security posture has given us a bigger challenge to host this year's event. A way to help is providing added security and uniform presence ensuring a safe environment to our local community. We need about 10 volunteers in uniform to help SFS with this task. The only way we can ask you to protect our base is to put you in a military status using either PT or AT days, so supervisors and commanders, please help us with this. SFS has asked for a show time of 0600 and will be released after the event is done, about 1200.

Also, what better way to get some EPR bullets, I have provided some example of bullets below.

-Augmented SFS during an open house event that supported the Airman & Family Support Program

-Supported an open house event that bolstered the AF image with the local community.

-Volunteered 5 hrs. to support the Road Hawg Classic event and helped raise \$2000 for Family Support.

Every year I get nothing but good comments about our base and how professional everyone is. So help us continue this traditions and promote the Air Force and Air National Guard's finest to our community. —Michael R. Wilson, SMSgt, ANG

# Starbase Battle Creek begins 10th year

STARBASE – Battle Creek held its inaugural class the first week of November in 2006. We begin our 10th year of serving students by expressing our sincere thanks to the members of the 110th Attack Wing. We have experienced many changes through the years but the one absolute constant has been the total support from the members of the 110th Fighter Wing, 110th Airlift Wing and 110th Attack Wing. Support started at the top with Colonel Seidel and continues with Colonel Wilson. Every organization and a great number of 110th members have supported the program and the students in ways we never imagined when the program first began. A simple “Thank you” is an inadequate expression of our appreciation but it’s said with greatest sincerity.

The expression “It takes a village to raise a child” can be paraphrased to “It takes the 110th to shape STARBASE – Battle Creek”.

On behalf of the thousands of area fifth grade students who have come through the gates and participated in a magnificent “hands-on, minds-on” learning experience. Thank you for your support.

## COLLEGE SURVEY

There have been several inquiries for humanity classes to fulfill the CCAF requirement. Please take the time to complete this survey that CMU designed. It is a very simple survey to gauge interest in two class options, found at the following URL: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BCANGHUMANITIES2016>

CMU will also be here during the college fair with more information about possible courses.

## COLLEGE COURSES

### COMMUNICATIONS AND MATH

Step 1- Submit an application (if this has not already been completed) <http://www.wmich.edu/apply/undergraduate/nondegree>

\*Waiver code for 110th ANG BC151903

Step 2- Have all official transcripts mailed to 1903 W. Michigan Kalamazoo MI 49008 We can accept emailed transcripts to get conditionally admitted but will need official ones by the time classes start.

Step 3- Once accepted- register for classes.

Step 4- If you are taking MATH 1140, you need to take a placement test on 11/7- email Tammy to set at time (between 1-4pm) [tamara.morgan@wmich.edu](mailto:tamara.morgan@wmich.edu)

*Any problems registering (once accepted) Tammy can help you with registration.*

#### COM 1040 Public Speaking Spring 2016 CRN: 16151

Study of the application of principles of communication underlying effective oral presentations, with attention given to speaking in business, professional and public settings. Includes practice in preparing, presenting and evaluating speeches and other forms of oral presentations. This course may be offered in an accelerated format.

Additional Information Campus: Battle Creek

Schedule Type: Lecture/Lab/Discussion. Meeting on February 6 and April 2 from 7:00-8:30pm at the College of Aviation. The remainder of the class will be completed online.

Instructional Method: Hybrid Attribute: P4D: Oral Communications

Course Fees: Communication Class Fee \$5.00 Flat Fee Instructor(s): Northouse, Lisa J. (Primary)

#### MATH 1140 Excursions In Mathematics Spring 2016 CRN: 16127

This course satisfies the general education requirement of a college level mathematics course. It is intended for students whose programs of study have no further mathematics requirements. Its purpose is to develop an awareness of the use of mathematics in the world around us. Areas of application may include: compound interest and monetary growth, planning and scheduling, collecting and interpreting data, games and decision making, measurement and geometry, patterns and art.

Additional Information: Campus: Battle Creek Schedule Type: Lecture

Instructional Method: Hybrid. Classes meeting on Saturday January 11, February 6, March 5, April 2 from 5:30-7:00pm at the College of Aviation. Remainder of the class will be online.

Attribute: P3: Coll Level Quant Reason

Course Fees: Mathematics Class Fee \$8.33 per Bill Hour fee

Prerequisites and Restrictions: Required number of Courses: 1 in MATH 1100 - 1199 Min grade = C or MATH 110 Min grade = C or MATH 111 Min grade = C or ACT Math Test Score at least 19 or

SAT Mathematics Test Score at least 460 Instructor(s): Horsmon, Christine M. (Primary)

Thank you- Tammy Morgan, Assistant Director

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## CFC

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“You can change a life” is this year’s theme!

Your representative has a copy of:

1. The charity listing codes (you can do a search within the book) and:

2. the electronic pledge slip (Individuals who opt to do the electronic form will still have to manually calculate Total Gift Amount, it does not populate, and type it in the box).

We have three fundraisers this year!

- The Chili Cook off Thursday December 17th • POC is MSgt Jenney

- The Pancake Breakfast Friday, December 4th with a silent auction during breakfast.

- *A silent auction with Group/Squadron baskets Dec. 4th during the Pancake*

Breakfast.....See your representative for questions.

Volunteers needed for breakfast and chili cook off. See your CFC rep.

Representatives will be assisting in the fundraising events as well as any questions you may have. Please contact them for information.

AOG MSgt Lavengood MSG MSgt Jenney

CES MSgt Bowling CF TSgt Monje

FSS SMSgt Parks, J. (alternate)

FSS MSgt Jenney, (SVC-TSgt Mosser)

SFS MSgt Gonzalez AW MSgt Marshall

CPTF MSgt Marshall MDG MSgt Richards,

OG TSgt Ballard Miller OSS TSgt Monje

172 TSgt Monje CRTC MSgt Franklin,

HQ SMSgt Whynot

Thank you, CFC Committee

# 110th Member Pens Biography of Air Force Combat Ace, Jet Pioneer, and 1950s Auto Racing Star

You may know Andy Layton as a Staff Sergeant in the 110th Security Forces Squadron. You may not know that he just put the finishing touches on his fourth book – a biography of Ray Crawford, one of the most influential auto racing stars of the 1950s who was also a celebrated fighter pilot in the Army Air Forces during World War II.

Crawford, who lived in California until his death in 1996, wasn't a household name, then or now – but he probably should be. He translated his Air Force experience into racing innovations that include the first in-car camera (his P-38 gun camera mounted to the dash) and surprisingly, the use of seatbelts (his 5-point aviation harness) as an essential driver safety feature. "I waited ten years for someone else to write this book," explained Layton. "Kind of like *Unbroken*, or *Flags of our Fathers*, Ray Crawford's life is one of the most inspirational stories to come out of the Greatest Generation. I finally realized that if people were going to find out about Ray, it was up to me!"



Competing from 1947-1963 in what was arguably racing's wildest era, Crawford entered over 200 races in midget cars, stock cars, sports cars, IndyCars, championship dirt cars, and even unlimited hydroplanes. His crowning achievement was a victory in the 1954 Carrera Panamericana road race, a border-to-border dash across Mexico which some consider to be the most dangerous contest in motor racing history. Despite his success, Crawford was often viewed as an outsider to the largely blue collar racing clique of his era. The reason was his family's multimillion-dollar supermarket empire through which Crawford's speed ventures were financed.

Layton's interest in Crawford is natural, especially considering the racer's background as a P-38 Lightning fighter pilot in World War II. Crawford shot down at least six Axis aircraft over North Africa in 1943 and returned to become the third military pilot to certify on the P-80 Shooting Star – America's first operational jet fighter. He flew with America's ace of aces, Major Richard Bong, on the day Bong was killed in a freak crash. Viewed as a scapegoat for the Major's death, Crawford was ousted from the test pilot program and spent the next several years adrift before his rebirth as a race car driver.



Layton is no stranger to Crawford's brand of military aviation and racing acumen. His 2005 book *Wolverines in the Sky* tells the stories of fifty-six fighter aces who hailed from Michigan. *Eagles' Wings* (2007) is the story of local World War II fliers Jack Curtis and Larry Jenkins. The auto racing connection also comes from deep within Layton's blood. A lifelong racing enthusiast, his grandfather built circle-track entries in the 1950s and '60s and later restored many of the top cars driven by Crawford's competitors. "People ask, why Ray Crawford?" says Andy. "Well, the answer's pretty easy: he's right at the intersection of two fields that I'm absolutely passionate about." And writing? That part also comes easy for Layton, who holds a Masters in English from Western Michigan University. "I love to write because I love the past. I'm twenty-seven years old and I sometimes feel like I was born in the wrong era. Writing gives me the opportunity to relive those times and share them with others in a way that's productive and creative." And live them he does. Through his research on Crawford, Layton was inspired to begin racing cars himself. He now competes in Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) events

throughout Michigan and Ohio. In 2013, he drove an open-wheel Formula car at Sebring International Raceway, Florida, the same track where Ray Crawford gave a record-breaking performance in 1955.

Through the production of *Ray Crawford - Speed Merchant*, Layton's mentor and assistant has been legendary motorsports writer and filmmaker Dick Wallen, who signed on as designer and layout editor after catching a glimpse of Layton's smooth prose style. "I was instantly taken in by this project," says Wallen, "One, because of the subject matter, and two, because the text was so good. Ray Crawford was instrumental in a lot of people's careers – including my own – and I don't think anyone has truly done justice to his story like Andy has."

Wallen isn't the only big name to endorse the project. Alice Hanks, whose husband Sam won the 1957 Indianapolis 500 – has penned a personal foreword for the book that outlines her friendship with Crawford and his first wife, Marion. Auto racing icons Dan Gurney, Bobby Unser and A.J. Watson also provided interviews and insight to enhance the research. Even pop celebrities Jesse James (Discovery Channel's *Monster Garage*) and Barry Meguiar (Velocity's *Car Crazy*) chimed in to give Layton advice on Crawford's legacy in the automotive community.

Despite this all-star supporting cast, Layton is quick to point out that the story wouldn't have made it into print without the cooperation of Ray Crawford's sons, Mike and Mitchell. "This would not have happened without their help," says Layton, who traveled to Southern California three times to get to know Ray's family. According to Layton, the most exciting moment of the entire research process was when Mitchell Crawford shared about 120 of his father's wartime letters, along with the family's blessing to use them in the book. "That was huge," says Andy. "With those letters, Ray's voice comes through the text in a very special way." Many of the letters were written just after the combat missions that made Crawford an ace, providing a very emotional and intense depiction of what aerial warfare was like in 1943.

Now that the book has been released, Layton says he's pleased to have been afforded the opportunity to tell such a rich, true-life story – but he'll miss the thrill of reliving Crawford's adventures, albeit vicariously. "Writing Ray's book has been a 30 month-process, but I've almost dreaded the day it would be done," he said. "I've had so much fun along the way, I don't want it to end!" The only solution is to jump right into another project. Layton says he already has material to get started on another racing book or two – in the meantime, he'll share selections from Ray Crawford's war letters as the keynote speaker for Ft. Custer's Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony on Wednesday, November 11, 2015.



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**Stop in and see Matt.**



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- ⇒ Kellogg Community College
- ⇒ Siena Heights University
- ⇒ Cornerstone University
- ⇒ Davenport University
- ⇒ Spring Arbor University
- ⇒ State TA Representative

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### **Knowledge Sharing**

MyVECTOR provides Discussion Forums and links to resources for online books and courses that discuss mentoring benefits, the differences between coaching and mentoring and techniques for managing mentoring relationships.

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Questions? Contact your base HRA, I'm here to help...Email me @ [Jenny.r.balabuch.mil@mail.mil](mailto:Jenny.r.balabuch.mil@mail.mil)



**Combined Federal Campaign  
Pancake Breakfast  
Friday Dec. 4-DFAC 0900**

## **Pancake Breakfast at the DFAC**

**Friday Dec. 4 - 0900**

**Support the SW Michigan Veteran's Relief Fund**

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### How do I apply for MING-STAP?

To apply, go to [www.michigan.gov/dmva](http://www.michigan.gov/dmva) and you will find the forms under the State Tuition Assistance Program link. Forms must be filled out in their entirety and submitted before the deadline date to be considered.

### When will I know that I have been approved to use MING-STAP?

In general, you will receive all communication about MING-STAP via email - so check your email often. On occasion, we may need to contact you by telephone.

### Where do I turn in my grades?

Within 45 days of course completion, you must submit your grades to the Michigan Department of Military Affairs - State Operations Office with your request for reimbursement. This is a firm deadline. You will not receive any MING-STAP reimbursement if you do not turn in your grades within 45 days of the course end date.

### When is the money paid for tuition assistance? How long does it take?

MING-STAP is a reimbursement program. That means you will only receive your tuition reimbursement payment after you submit your passing grades. Though processing time may vary, you should expect payment within a month of submitting your grades.

### Who do I contact if I have questions about MING-STAP?

Airmen have several resources to use for questions about this program. Your Unit would be your first contact. If you have additional questions, please call the DMVA at 517-481-7640, fax 517-481-7782 or email [mingstap@michigan.gov](mailto:mingstap@michigan.gov).

### What other education benefits can be used along with the MING-STAP?

Speak with your Unit about any of the following other education assistance programs available in Michigan:

- Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)
- Montgomery G.I. Bill + Kicker
- Post-9/11 G.I. Bill
- University & College Tuition Grants
- Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- Defense Activity For Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES)
- Joint Services Transcript (JST)
- Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT)
- Graduate Record Examinations (GRE)
- Army e-Learning
- Officers Without Degrees
- Army/American Council on Education Registry Transcript System (AARTS)
- Library Education Resource Center
- Excelsior College Examinations (ECE)
- Federal Pell Grants
- GoArmyEd
- Army Credentialing Opportunities On-line
- Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC)

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Provided for voluntary off-duty education programs in support of your professional and personal self-development goals, this program is geared towards enhancing your career progression, both military and civilian.

## **How do I know if I'm eligible?**

All Airmen currently in 'satisfactory participant status' with their units, have a high school diploma or equivalent are eligible. A 'satisfactory participant' is defined as a Service Member who meets the following criteria:

1. Is an active drilling member of his/her unit of assignment or attachment;
2. Has no more than four (4) periods of unexcused absence within the last 12 months;
3. Is not under suspension of favorable actions in accordance with applicable regulation and policy;
4. Has a passing and current fitness test.

## **How much money can I receive?**

The MING-STAP will reimburse you up to **\$6,000.00** per year with a **\$600.00** per credit hour cap. There is a lifetime cap for payment on 144 undergraduate credits or 42 graduate credits.

## **What types of courses are eligible?**

Courses taken at accredited institutions that have a campus or headquarters within the State of Michigan such as:

- Trade school
- Certification courses
- Courses taken on campus or online;
- Undergraduate and graduate courses completed with a grade of "C" or higher;
- Remedial courses are authorized, if they are included in the student's documented degree plan.
- Courses a student is currently attending at the time of direct commission into the MING;

## **What is not eligible?**

- Courses not completed
- AFSC and/or mission-required military training courses
- Courses for which instruction is available through the Army e-learning portal
- Exam Prep Courses
- Courses that earn Continuing Education Units
- Activity fees, computer use fees, books, room and board expenses, parking fees, non-refundable charges, matriculation fees, graduation fees, transcript fees, medical services, and other school-related fees

## **Am I still eligible for other education benefits?**

Yes. MING-STAP may be combined with Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA), GI Bill Programs, institutional grants, scholarships, etc.

## **What if I fail a class?**

The MING-STAP will not reimburse any portion of a Airmen's tuition for courses that are not successfully completed. Non-successful grades are defined as below a "C" for undergraduate and graduate and unresolved incomplete grades after 90 days from the course end date.

If you end up with an incomplete course, you should still request payment for other completed classes for that course/term within the 90 day suspense. Upon completion, Airmen are eligible to request reimbursement for courses originally incomplete, but are then completed.

## **What if I move to another state?**

An Airman's eligibility for MING-STAP will be terminated without recoupment if the Airman transfers to the National Guard of another state, to the United States Reserve Force or enlists into active military duty.

## **If I use this benefit, will I have to extend my enlistment?**

No. Airmen who use the MING-STAP will not incur an additional service obligation. However, only courses that end prior to a Airmen's ETS are eligible for MING-STAP.

## **How does deployment affect MING-STAP benefits?**

It doesn't affect MING-STAP at all. As long as you're attending a school that has a campus or headquarters in Michigan, you may use MING-STAP for online classes anywhere in the world.

**AIR NATIONAL  
GUARD**

This schedule is also available at

[https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-](https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-afbvpcp/USAF/ep/globalTab.do?channelPageId=s6925EC1345FC0FB5E044080020E329A9)

[afbvpcp/USAF/ep/globalTab.do?channelPageId=s6925EC1345FC0FB5E044080020E329A9](https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-afbvpcp/USAF/ep/globalTab.do?channelPageId=s6925EC1345FC0FB5E044080020E329A9)

<b>SATURDAY</b>		<b>7 Nov 15</b>	
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location BLDG/Rm</b>	<b>Normal UTA</b>	<b>Training/Meeting OPR</b>
<b>Customer Service Hours</b> (FSS, SFS, CPTF, LRS, MDG) (Monthly)	As Applicable	0945-1200 1300-1430	110 Unit/CC
<b>Motorcycle Basic Rider's Course</b> (MBR)	BLDG 6909 AROM	0800-1700	SMSgt Michael Labruzzy
<b>Wing Commander Call</b>	Hangar 6900	0900-1000	110 ATKW Maj Black
<b>Public Affairs Open Studio</b>	BLDG 6900 PA/VI	0900-1100	110 ATKW/PA MSgt Pawloski
<b>Immunizations</b> (Monthly)	BLDG 6930 Medical	0900-1100 1300-1500	110 MDG SMSgt Carroll
<b>Retirement Briefing</b>	BLDG 6905 Testing Room	0900-1000	110 FSS MSgt Jenney
<b>College Fair</b>	BLDG 6922 Training Room	1000-1400	MSgt Ladd
<b>BETM/UTM Training Meeting</b>	BLDG 6905 Testing Room	1000-1100	110 FSS SMSgt Parks
<b>Professional Development Council</b>	BLDG 6905 Wing Conf Room	1000-1100	Council President
<b>Ground Testing</b>	BLDG 6930 Med Conf Room	1100-1130	110 MDG SSgt Bean
<b>Lunch - Dining Facility</b> (Monthly)	BLDG 6930 Dining Facility	1100-1230	110 FSS/SVF Major Poston
<b>Company Grade Officers Council</b>	BLDG 6909 AROMS	1100-1130	Council President Capt. Bechtel
<b>Com Flight Classroom Open for CBT's</b> (Monthly)	BLDG 6900 CF Classroom	1200-1500	110 CF/CC Major Guy
<b>Wing Commander Call</b>	Hangar 6900	1300-1400	110 ATKW Maj Black
<b>CDC/PME Testing</b> (Scheduled by UTM) (Monthly)	BLDG 6905 Base Training Testing Room	1300-1500	110 FSS/FSD  SMSgt Parks
<b>ANG Ancillary Training ANG Human Relation FLM</b>	Base Wide	45 min	First Sergeants

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<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>8 Nov 15</b>	
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location BLDG/Rm</b>	<b>Normal UTA</b>	<b>Training/Meeting OPR</b>
<b>Catholic Mass (Monthly)</b>	BLDG 6909 Student Flight	0715- 0745	110 ATKW Chaplin's Office
<b>Protestant Services (Monthly)</b>	BLDG 6909 Star Base	0730-0800	110 ATKW Chaplin's Office
<b>Fitness testing</b>	BLDG 6900 Fitness Track	0730	110 FSS/SVF Major Poston
<b>Air Force Training Course (Quarterly) Feb, May, Aug, Nov</b>	BLDG 6905 Testing Room	0800-1100	110 FSS / FSD SMSgt Parks
<b>ASVAB Testing (Monthly) 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (Quarterly) Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct</b>	BLDG 6905 Testing Room	0745-1100	110 FSS MSgt Jenney
<b>Customer service Hours (FSS, SFS, CPTF, LRS, MDG) (Monthly)</b>	As Applicable	0800-1130	110 Unit/CC
<b>Wing Drug Testing (Monthly)</b>	BLDG 6909 AROM Club	0830-1100	110 MDG Maj Diaz
<b>Newcomer's Orientation</b>	BLDG 6909 Student Flight	0830-1200	MSgt Ladd
<b>Medical In/Out Processing (Schools/Separation/Retirement)</b>	BLDG 6930 Med Conf Room	900-1100	110 MDG SMSgt Carroll
<b>3S0X1 Training</b>	6905 IPR office	0900-1000	110 FSS TSgt Mongeon
<b>Immunization</b>	BDLG 6930	0900-1100	110 MDG SMSgt Carroll
<b>Public Affairs Open Studio</b>	BLDG 6900 PA/VI	0900-1100	110 ATKW / PA MSgt Pawloski
<b>Quantitative FIT/Respiratory Testing (Gas Mask) (Monthly)</b>	BLDG 6930 Room 118	0900-1100	110 MDG/Bio Enviro A1C Vierzen
<b>Junior Enlisted Advisory Council (JEAC)</b>	BLDG 6905 Wing Conf Room	0900-1000	Council President
<b>Senior Enlisted Advisory Council (SEAC)</b>	BLDG 6905 Wing Conf Room	1000-1100	Council President
<b>Chief's Council</b>	BLDG 6905 Wing Conf Room	1130-1230	Council President
<b>In House AFSC Training All Individual Sections</b>	Base Wide	1200-1600	
<b>CPR</b>	BLDG 6930 Nursing Services	1200-1600	110 MDG SSgt Bean x3211
<b>PERSCO Training</b>	BLDG 6905 Testing Room	1300-1400	110 FSS TSgt Mongeon
<b>CSS Training VPCGR Training (ability/products)</b>	BLDG 6905 Testing Room	1400-1500	110 FSS TBD
<b>Wing CC's Drill Hotwash</b>	BLDG 6905 Wing Conf Room	1500-1530	