



## 349th Communications Squadron works on perfecting 'teleport technology'



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# Spring has Sprung! - Take time to smell the roses

by Chaplain (Capt.) Van N. Dinh  
349th Air Mobility Wing

W e as Americans, by and large, don't value rest and relaxation. On the contrary, we've made a virtue of unceasing labor; we brag about how busy we are, as if the hectic pace of our lives is proof that we're important and significant. We feel guilty when we're not working, and we're suspicious of anyone else who removes their nose from the grindstone for too long.

C. S. Lewis, Irish-born British scholar and writer once wrote: *"The moment you wake up each morning, all your wishes & hopes for the day rush at you like wild animals. And the first job each morning consists in shoving it all back; in listening to that other voice, taking that other point of view, letting that other, larger, stronger, quieter life come flowing in."*

Resting is not just wasted time, time when we could be doing something useful and productive. Resting properly understood, has value and worth and purpose. In fact, it's essential to our physical and spiritual well-being. We need to examine the balance of work and rest in

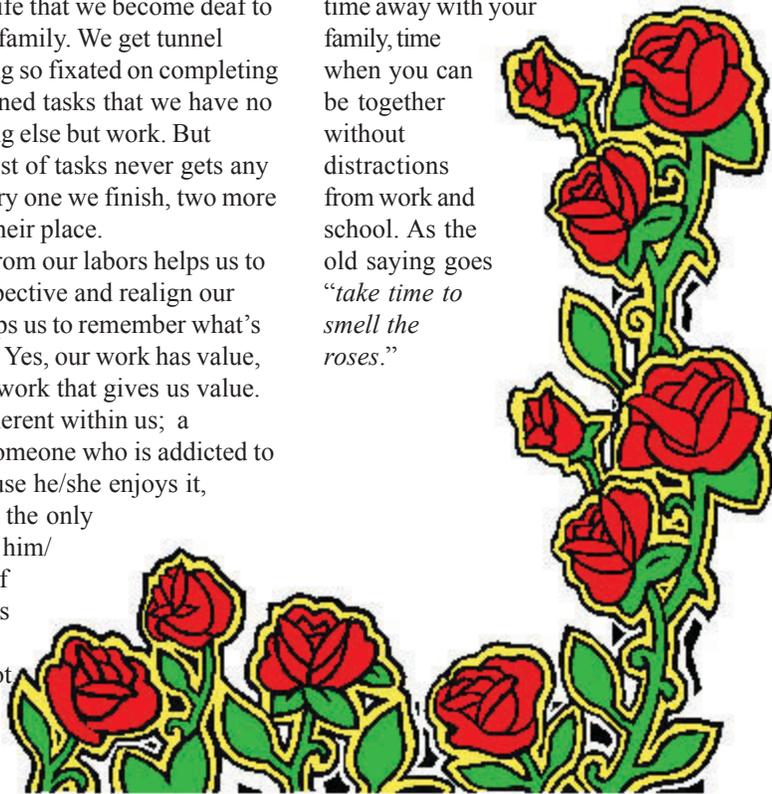
our life, and not only the quantity, but the quality of our rest.

Why is rest so important? One of the most important functions of rest is to allow us to have time with our love ones. Often, we get so caught up in the hustle and bustle of daily life that we become deaf to the need of our family. We get tunnel vision, becoming so fixated on completing our list of assigned tasks that we have no time for anything else but work. But somehow, the list of tasks never gets any shorter. For every one we finish, two more rise up to take their place.

Time away from our labors helps us to regain our perspective and realign our priorities. It helps us to remember what's most important. Yes, our work has value, but it's not our work that gives us value. Our value is inherent within us; a workaholic is someone who is addicted to work, not because he/she enjoys it, but because it's the only thing that gives him/her any sense of worth. But that's pathology, a sickness. It's not true. We have great worth, regardless of

how much or how little we accomplish.

Value times of rest. Plan for them, and schedule them, and protect them. Ensure that your children have times of rest, times when there are no demands on them from school work or sports. Plan time away with your family, time when you can be together without distractions from work and school. As the old saying goes *"take time to smell the roses."*



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# Thank you and Good-bye

It's never easy to say goodbye, especially to family. That is how I feel about the 349th Air Mobility Wing. I have been a part of the Travis greatness and witnessed the Travis magic for 28 of my 34 years in the military. I called Solano County home for 15 of those 28 years. During this time, the name of the wing has changed from the 349th Military Airlift Wing to the 349th Airlift Wing (Associate) to what we know it as today, the 349th Air Mobility Wing. This wing has some of the bravest, most talented, dedicated and selfless Airmen in the military today. Every face I see, in or out of uniform, reminds me that we all have answered our nation's call. We all have played a part in

one of the most significantly challenging times in our nation's history. This would include, but not be limited to, the Persian Gulf War, Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. I say all this to say, the name of the wing may change, the name of the mission may change, but the mission of the people will be the same. It is time now that I move on. This will make way for another change, a new Command Chief. In this case the face will change, but the duty to the men and women of the 349th Air Mobility Wing will be the same.

I am your Command Chief number three, of ten total prior Senior Enlisted Advisors and Command Chiefs, selected for special duty assignment, to the 349th Air Mobility Wing Commander. In my role as the advisor to two Wing Commanders, I have found that our leadership, charged with setting the vision, communicating the vision clearly and implementing the vision, as it relates to our mission's success as a wing, does get it, and they get you. How fortunate I have been to sit at the table with such an honorable and caring senior leadership team. Change is a constant.

When I arrived at Travis in 1981, I was assigned as a maintainer, to the 349th AMS and I worked on the C-141 "Starlifter" and the C-5 "Galaxy." In 1997 I was assigned to the 82nd APS, when we said good-bye to the C-141, and the C-5 was and is still hanging on. Just short of ten years later in 2006, we said hello, welcomed and have embraced the C-17 "Globemaster III." What this says is, we must be okay with saying good-bye to old friends, then we

must be able to stay in the moment and focus on what we have to work with at hand for the success of the mission and then we must be willing to embrace the new when it presents itself. This is what I will do as I transition to the next chapter in

my very blessed life.

I cannot think of a day as your Command Chief, that I did not learn something from an Airman. I cannot think day that I did not feel challenged, nor can I think of any one day that was the same as another. They call this a "special duty assignment" for a reason, it is special. I will remember every story, every face, every smile and every tear that I shared with a member of the 349th Air Mobility Wing, during my days as your Command Chief, because you have made this assignment special for me.

As I reflect on the good life at Travis, and my journey to this servant leadership role, as Command Chief, I am reminded that a good leader does not go it alone and so they should say as often as the opportunity presents itself. We the 349th Air Mobility Wing are good at what we do because we have embraced the "Team Travis" and the "Total Force" concepts. For "Team Travis" they are not concepts and haven't been for a very long time. We are and must continue to work seamlessly, aligned and integrated, more so now than ever. It doesn't and shouldn't mean that



**By Command Chief Master Sgt.  
Christine A. Taylor**

we would ever lose our identities, and the uniqueness of our missions, it does mean we support and partner with one another for success. I want to publically thank the "Team Travis" Chief Master Sgt. Michael M. Williams, 60th Command Chief, and Chief Master Sgt. Ray A. Weaver, 615th Command Chief, for their leadership and support of what I call the "oneness factor." I know that our newest Travis Command Chief Chief Master Sgt. Craig A. Adams, 15th Expeditionary Mobility Task Force, will soon be part of the "oneness factor" as well.

I have heard many phrases over the years, and each one sometimes more profound than the other, but the one that just sticks with me and I have tried to live by, many of you have heard me say many times is, "Work Hard, Do Good and Have Fun." I believe I have done that, and so I am comfortable now with saying good-bye, it's been a blast.

## WING COMMANDERS' CALLS

Col. Miller's  
349th Wing  
Commanders' Calls  
will begin at 10 a.m.  
on April 5th and  
April 19th in the  
Base Theater.

# Yellow Ribbon shows DoD commitment

Story and photo by Master Sgt.  
Robert Wade  
349th Public Affairs

Committed to our most important asset, the Department of Defense has developed a new program to support Reserve and National Guard members and their families. The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program is designed to minimize the stresses of military service, particularly the stress of deployment and family separation.

The focus of the Yellow Ribbon Program is to provide support and outreach services to reserve component service members and their families throughout all phases of the deployment cycle. This program is a wrap-around service of various helping partners and resources to help mitigate the stressors associated with separation and deployment, and a whole host of other issues members and their families face while serving in a wartime contingency.

The Office of Deployment Cycle Support at Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command manages the Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program for the Reserves. The wing program is being administered by Master Sgt. Robin Raine who is assigned to the 349th Medical Squadron.

With the implementation of YRRP on Oct. 1, 2008, wing leadership and the Integrated Delivery Systems team decided to hire a full-time senior NCO to manage the program. Sergeant Raine, along with the IDS team, is tasked with building a foundation for the program using AFRC's directives as they roll out. This means setting up shop, gathering resources, developing relationships with helping agencies, identifying reservists who are

already in the deployment cycle, those who have come back already, and those who are scheduled to leave.

"We will also set up activities and events for pre-deploying groups, as well as scheduling post-deployment



Master Sgt. Robin Raine prepares a package for the Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program. Sergeant Rain is building the program for the 349th Air Mobility Wing.

workshops at 30, 60 and 90-day intervals after demobilization," said Raine.

Once fully implemented, the team will begin identifying members who have returned from a 90-day or longer deployment since the start of Fiscal Year 2009.

"Regardless if you are single or married, deploying can disrupt even the most stable of lives," she added. "Just having someone there to act as a conduit between you and your life on the home front can sometimes be all that is needed for peace of mind."

After the members have been identified,

the wing will then schedule its first 30-day post-deployment event. This event will include the member and an invitation to members of their immediate family. Members and their families will be compensated for attending these deployment support and reintegration activities, to include travel, lodging and meals as appropriate and necessary.

"This can be nothing but good for our members," said Sergeant Raine. "As a mental health provider (in my civilian job) I firmly believe in the value of providing as much support to our reservists and their families as we possibly can."

# What vacation plans do you have with your family this year?

Question asked and photos by Master Sgt. Robert Wade, 349th Public Affairs

“Go to Disneyland with my kids.”



Technical Sgt.  
Jackie Gonzalez  
349th Communications Squadron

“I am going on an Alaskan cruise with my wife.”



Master Sgt. Colin Baldwin  
349th Aircraft Maintenance Group

“I plan on going to St. Louis with my boyfriend who has family there.”



Master Sgt. Kimberly Williams  
349th Air Mobility Wing

“I’m not taking vacation this year due to I’ll be going to school throughout the summer and into the fall.”



Senior Airman Alexis Cook  
349th Aerospace Medicine Squadron

“My vacation plans are to go to Lake Tahoe for four days for my first anniversary.”



Capt. Hector Quintanilla  
349th Mission Support Group

“My daughter is turning 21 in June and we decided to celebrate as a family in Las Vegas.”



Master Sgt.  
Gilda Nunley-Jackson  
349th Aeromedical Staging Squadron

# Weeklong exercise prepares Team Travis for

60th and 349th  
Public Affairs Staff

**T**eam Travis members participated in Crisis Look 09-02, an Operational Readiness Inspection exercise, March 2 through 8.

The official inspection, schedule for later on this year in October, will demonstrate the units' ability to deploy to, survive and operate in a combat and chemical or biological theater.

Planning for this exercise began in January when the wing stood up the ORI planning committee and initiated unit and group level training. Checklists were reviewed and updated. Plans were updated and key leadership positions were filled. A review of the Air Mobility Command/Inspector General taskings were accomplished and validation began.

During this past exercise, Travis Airmen simulated deploying to form the 638th Air Expeditionary Wing to support U.S. and allied military operations in a forward deployed location.

During the initial portion of the exercise, different base agencies were evaluated by exercise evaluation team members on processing the deploying Airmen and their cargo as quickly as possible.

Once the exercise was underway, participants got a chance to practice exercise procedures as well as practice how the deployed unit control centers, installation control center and the emergency operation center respond to different incidents and communicate with each other.

Another important part of the exercise was making sure Travis members were up to par on their Ability to Survive and Operate (also known as ATSO) training by donning their Mission Oriented Protective Posture gear during changes in exercise conditions.

"Although this particular exercise is in preparation for the ORI in October, more importantly, these events also validate the training and preparedness to do it for real if the call is made to go forward," according to Mr. Dan Johnson, Chief of

the Exercise Evaluation Team. "Unit training and commander involvement is the key to the success in these events and the ORI. Our people know how to do their functional jobs. The toughest part is doing their jobs in the environment of strict inspection guidelines, deployment timeliness, increased threat conditions and attacks. Most important is ATSO in a combat situation if chemical weapons are used. The successful use of chemical-warfare gear is vital to keeping the mission going and taking the fight to the enemy. Although heard often, it's worth repeating ... we only get one chance when it is for real."

"Our partners in this exercise, the 349th Air Mobility Wing and the 89th Airlift Wing from Andrews Air Force Base, Md., played an important role in showing how we meld our capabilities together. Each brought specific qualities and functional expertise to the event. For the rest of our exercises and the ORI, we will also have members from the 319th Air Refueling Wing out of Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D. Overall this Crisis Look 09-02 exercise achieved exactly what we wanted, which was to expose any shortcomings in training, validate good processes versus bad ones, and emphasize communication up, down



An Airmen uses a pen to he completely protected by his ensemble during Crisis Look 60th and 349th Wings, and Andrews Air Force Base, M March 2 through 8 to practi



Photo by Maj. Robert Couse-Baker

Airman 1st Class Sunshine Colobong, 349th Medical Squadron, prepares to receive simulated wounded personnel at the Causality Collection Point March 6 during CRISIS LOOK 09-02.



# Preparing for Upcoming Operations Readiness Exercise



Photo by Maj. Robert Couse-Baker

help him type while  
chemical defense  
09-02. Airmen from  
the 89th Airlift Wing,  
d., blended into one team  
ce fighting against a



Photo by Amanda Lopez, Base Multimedia Service Center

349th Air Mobility Wing members, left to right, Capt. Ryan Jones, Staff Sgt. Stacey Jackson and Maj. Kenneth Rowley take inventory of their deployment bags during the Crisis Look exercise 09-02, an Operational Readiness Inspection exercise March 2 through 8.



Photo by Maj. Robert Couse-Baker

Airmen in chemical protective ensembles wait to process through an exercise decontamination line, March 7 during CRISIS LOOK 09-02.



Photo by Maj. Robert Couse-Baker

Airman Jose M. Omana, 60th Maintenance Squadron, issues a flashlight to a maintainer during Crisis Look 09-02.

and across the deployed wing.” Mr. Johnson concluded. “Good effective communication is critical to mission success and this exercise clearly demonstrated its importance.”

# Hello 349th Spouses!

**S**pring is here and it is time to STRETCH!

Stretch your body, stretch your dollars and stretch your reserve benefits.

Stretch your body! The Travis Fitness Center/Gym is free and offering new hours and great classes. Call (707) 424-2008 for more information.

Is your spouse deploying anytime soon? Check out the Readiness Expo on the 4th Monday of every month, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center at 351 Travis Blvd. Talk to Readiness Experts on how to prepare yourself for family separation 365 days a year. Call (707) 424-2485 to RSVP. Child care will be provided.

Stretch your benefits! Have you checked out MilitaryBenefits.com yet? This site covers every possible military benefit you could possibly think of! Go ahead – try it!

Thinking of becoming a teacher? Attend the next informational session being given on base at the Airman and Family Readiness Center by *Troops-to-Teachers*. This event is open to ALL who have an interest in teaching with the possibility of \$10,000 in financial assistance available. No degree required! For more information visit [www.caltroops.org](http://www.caltroops.org) or call the center at (707) 424-2486.

Need counseling services for relationships, stress management, grief after loss, occupational and other individual and family issues? The Military and Family Life Consultant Program offers FREE counseling and evaluation services on or off base. Visit [www.mhngs.com](http://www.mhngs.com) for more information about this MFLC program. These services are totally private and confidential.

Stretch your dollars!! Are you looking at paying for college? The Airman and Family Readiness Center has workshops covering every aspect of paying and saving for college. Call (707) 424-2486 for more information.

Want to learn Cardiopulmonary resuscitation or recertify? The Red Cross is providing (FREE for families of E-6 and below; \$10 for E-7 and above) Health and Safety Training including Standard CPR and First Aid, Infant Child CPR, baby-sitting classes and more. Call (707) 423-3648 or email [Kelleyj@usa.redcross.org](mailto:Kelleyj@usa.redcross.org) for class schedules.

Expecting a baby? Attend a free Bundles for Babies



workshop for expecting mothers with a huge layette bundle for baby. Topics include budgeting for baby and reducing stress in growing families. Call (707) 424-2486 to sign up!

Would you like to support our Veterans? Operation Gratitude is June 20th. This is where the 349th Wing members will be serving a brunch to our Yountville Veterans to thank them for their service to the U.S.A. We need help and you can join us! Please call Tech. Sgt. Scott Murphy at (707) 424-7129 or email him at [scott.murphy-02@travis.af.mil](mailto:scott.murphy-02@travis.af.mil)

**\*\*\*\*GOOD DEALS for reservists' families!!**

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-Great cabins to rent year-round in the Tahoe area, visit:

[shinneyboocreek.com](http://shinneyboocreek.com);

[sorensensresort.com](http://sorensensresort.com);

-Squaw Valley has free lift tickets for military members during the week;

-Many of the ski resorts have their lifts open in the summer where you can ride down on "slopes" on your mountain bike. It's usually free to ride up to look around, but costs a fee to bring your bike;

-The Marine Memorial Hotel in Union Square San Francisco only charges \$89 per night to stay – they have suites, etc. good restaurant;

-The Vacaville premium outlets have a discount coupon brochure in their office, the brochure is free for military;

-Whitehall Lane Winery in St. Helena has free wine tasting for military members and guest;

-The Napa Valley Wine Train takes you on a ride up to St. Helena and back. You can have a gourmet lunch. Very nice and half-price for military tickets;

-ESGR.org (Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve), Sears is an excellent supporter of their Guard and Reserve employees;

-Chevy's is still half-price for military, but the military member has to be in uniform.

If you have any comments or know of information for this *Spouses' Corner* column, please email me at [mmanholt@yahoo.com](mailto:mmanholt@yahoo.com). I would love to hear from all 349th spouses!

**--Marcy Anholt, 349th Maintenance Group, Spouse**

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# 349th CS works on perfecting ‘teleport technology’

by Capt. Robin M. Jackson  
349th Public Affairs

The 349th Communication Squadron had the distinct honor of being chosen to test the newest equipment the Integrated Communication Equipment V3 known as “ICE” recently.

This equipment utilizes single channel access for multiple users on one channel, allows more options and has a much smaller footprint than the system previously used. ICE allows the communication lines to time share with multiple users on one channel and by reducing the time the system is reducing the funding required to run this program therefore this equipment is a better use of time and money.

“Our unit is the first unit to successfully make this equipment work,” said Technical Sergeant Rebecca Henrichsen, Satellite Systems Technician. “We had this equipment up and running within three days of receiving it ready to begin the

exercise.”

The two-week exercise in January was run in conjunction with U. S. Naval Base, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and Yakota, Air Base, Japan to test the intraoperatively of communications systems between the military services.

“My unit was chosen to be the leader in testing this equipment,” said Lt. Col. Karen Bosko, 349th Communication Squadron commander. “They are also creating some of the ICE SOPs for the Department of Defense. It is an honor to be chosen for this, it shows



Photo by Master Sgt. Wendy Weidenhamer

Senior Airman Michael Bialecki, (left) and Staff Sgt. Nathan Micks, both from the 349th Communications Squadron, get practice on aligning a satellite terminal with a satellite orbiting the earth during a Generation II, Phase II, Teleport Testing exercise Jan. 30.

that TRANSCOM knows our work and they want the best in the field to initiate this new program.”

When asked why their unit was so

chosen for this task, Chief Master Sergeant Stephen W. Nefzger, said, our team has a reputation for high performance. We rotate our people to make sure they have hands on training on each piece of equipment and make sure they receive the latest and greatest training available. It is essential for success and it shows in our work.



Photo by Master Sgt. Wendy Weidenhamer

Computer magic: Members of the 349th Communications Squadron, (left to right) Senior Airman Robert Bower, Airman Alex Luangrath, Staff Sgt. Michelle Millarez and Senior Airman Kenny Mojica, all computer operators, sit in front of their trusty computer monitors as they run testing scenarios during a teleport testing exercise. All four airmen volunteered for annual tour to be a part of the exercise.

**UNIT VACANCIES**

AFSC	AFSC Title	Grade	#	AFSC	AFSC Title	Rank	#
11M2A	Mobility Pilot	Officer	2	3E453	Environmental Controls	SSgt	1
11M3Y	Mobility Pilot, General	Officer	1	3E493	Environmental Controls	MSgt	1
12M3Y	Mobility Navigator	Officer	1	3E791	Fire Protection	MS/SMSGt	1/1
14N3	Intelligence Officer	Officer	5	3E800	Explosive Ord Disposal	SMS/CM Sgt	1/1
1A051	In-Flight Refueling	TSgt	1	3E571	Engineering	TSgt/MSgt	1/1
1A151	Flight Engineer	SSgt	3	3E591	Engineering	SMSGt	1
1A171	Flight Engineer	TSgt	1	3H071	Historian	TSgt	1
1A251	Aircraft Loadmaster	SSgt/TSgt	6/2	3P051B	Sec Forces/Combat Arms	SSgt	1
1A291	Aircraft Loadmaster	MSgt/SMSGt	2/1	3S271	Education & Training	SSgt/TSgt	3/1
1C351	Command Post	SSgt/TSgt	2/1	41A3	Health Services Administration	Officer	3
1N051	Operations Intelligence	SSgt/TSgt	2/2	42B3	Physical Therapist	Officer	1
1N091	Operations Intelligence	SMSGt	1	43P3	Pharmacist	Officer	1
21R3	Logistics Readiness	Officer	2	43T3A	Biomedical Lab	Officer	1
2A551	Aerospace Maintenance	SSgt	5	44M3	Internist	Officer	1
2A571	Aerospace Maintenance	TSgt	2	44M3H	Internist	Officer	1
2A553A	Intergrated Avonics Systems	TSgt	1	44R3B	Diagnostic Radiologist	Officer	1
2A553B	Intergrated Avonics Systems	SSgt	1	44Y3	Critical Care Medicine	Officer	3
2A553C	Intergrated Avonics Systems	SSgt	3	45A3	Anesthesiologist	Officer	2
2A652	Aerosp Ground Equip	SSgt/TSgt	1/1	45B3	Orthopedic Surgeon	Officer	1
2A672	Aerosp Ground Equip	MSgt	1	45S3A	Surgeon	Officer	1
2A652	Aerosp Ground Equip	SSgt/TSgt	1/1	45S3B	Surgeon	Officer	1
2A654	Aircraft Fuel System	SSgt	2	46F3	Flight Nurse	Officer	2
2A675	Aircft Hydraulic System	SSgt/TSgt	2/2	46M3	Nurse Anesthetist	Officer	2
2A753	Aircraft Structural Maintenance	SSgt	1	46N3	Clinical Nurse	Officer	2
2E151	Sat Wideband & Telm Systems	SSgt	1	46N3E	Clinical Critical Nurse	Officer	4
2E173	Ground Radio Communications	SSgt/TSgt	2/1	46N3H	Clinical Nurse	Officer	1
2E193	Ground Radio Communications	MSgt	1	46N3J	Clinical Nurse	Officer	2
2G071	Logistics Plans	MSgt	1	46S3	Operating Room Nurse	Officer	1
2S051	Supply Management	SSgt	1	48A3	Aerospace Medicine	Officer	1
2T251	Air Transportation	SrA/SSgt	2/1	48R3	Flight Surgeon	Officer	4
2T271	Air Transportation	TSgt/MSgt	10/1	4A091	Health Services Mgnt	SMSGt	1
2T291	Air Transportation	SMSGt	1	4B051	Bioenvironmental Engineer	SSgt	1
3A071	Knowledge Operations Manager	MSgt	1	4N051	Aerospace Medical Services	SSgt/TSgt	1/3
3C051	Com Computer Systems Ops	SSgt	3	4N071	Aerospace Medical Services	MSgt	1
3C251	Com Computer Systems	SSgt	2	4N071C	Aerospace Medical Svc, IDMT	TSgt/MSgt	1/1
3E052	Electrical Power Systems	SSgt	2	4N091	Aerospace Medical Services	SMSGt	1
3E291	Pavement/Construction Equip	SMSGt	1	5J051	Paralegal	SSgt	2
3E472	Liquid Fuel Systems	SSgt	2	5R051	Chaplain Assistant	SSgt	1
3E451	Utilities Systems	SSgt	2	8A100	Career Assistance Advisor	MSgt	1

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**PROMOTIONS**



**Senior Master Sergeant**

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**Master Sergeant**

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 Stephen M. Langone, 82nd APS  
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# Employer Appreciation Day application 2009

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Employer's Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Employer's Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Note:** An orientation flight is offered to employers pending approval by higher headquarters and is subject to cancellation. Space is limited; one employer per reservist. Reserve members may accompany their employer if space is available.

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Theme: **Prevent Sexual Violence...in our workplaces**

Slogan: **Respect Works!**

The 2009 campaign for Sexual Assault Awareness Month builds upon and reinforces last year's theme. This year, we have added the slogan **Respect Works!** This slogan highlights the role that respectful behavior, at both the individual and organizational levels, can play in creating and maintaining safe and healthy communities and workplaces.

While working or on duty, U.S. employees experienced 36,500 rapes and sexual assaults from 1993 to 1999. This excludes the more than 12,000

annual reported acts of sexual harassment at work. Sexual violence that happens in the workplace is unfortunately common. All forms of sexual violence result in high costs for businesses and the economy. Sexual violence on the job correlates with decreased productivity, higher rates of absenteeism, and lower employee morale. Interrupted work, as a result of sexual violence, can also jeopardize the economic stability of individuals, families, and communities. Economic insecurity can lead to a greater dependence on public assistance programs and poor outcomes for families and society. It also increases healthcare costs for both individuals and employers. If employees bring lawsuits against a company for sexual harassment or violence, businesses may incur large legal fees. In addition to acts of violence that do occur at work, the work setting also influences individuals and communities in other ways. We spend an average of 160 hours a month at work. The work environment has a large impact on individuals, families, and communities. If people feel threatened, harassed, or unsafe at work, the negative effects can spill over into other settings. Employers and businesses also have strong voices in our communities. It is critical that we reach them with messages about how they can play a role in building respectful workplaces and preventing sexual violence.

We hope that the 2009 campaign will serve as an opportunity for you to build partnerships with local employers, as well as a way to convey a message to the public about respectful and responsible behavior. However, we know that it might feel overwhelming to talk to employers and corporations about sexual violence. We have created a Workplace Outreach Guide to help you in this effort. The 2009 campaign also includes a fact sheet on workplace sexual violence and an Employer Checklist on sexual harassment among other resources, listed in the navigation bar at the left. We encourage you to visit often to find new tools and resources. Please send any feedback to [resources@nsvrc.org](mailto:resources@nsvrc.org).

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## ***IN MEMORIAM...***

**T**ech. Sgt. Jason Brown, an education and training craftsman with the 349th Civil Engineer Squadron, died March 14th at his home in Vacaville after a short illness. He was 41 year old.

The squadron will conduct a military memorial service on the April A-Flight. Details were not available at press time. Wing, group and squadron leadership express deepest condolences to Sergeant Brown's family, friends and coworkers in this difficult time.

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