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**349th Chaplain office win Corps Readiness Award, Outstanding Chaplain Corps Program Award**

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**On the Front Cover:** —The 349th Air Mobility Wing chaplain team gathered with their peers in Denver, Colo., recently and won two of three major Air Force Reserve Command awards for excellence in 2010, one for Outstanding Chaplain Corps Program, and one for Chaplain Corps Readiness. Pictured from top left: Chaplain ( Lt. Col.) Gregory Stringer; Staff Sgt. Michael Pierce; Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth Rowley; Chief Chaplain (Col.) Tyler Guy; Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Lebane Hall; Tech. Sgt. Stacey Kemp, Master Sgt. Rita Houchin. Not pictured: Chaplain (Capt.) Andrew Edwards, and chaplain assistants , Staff Sgt. Danielle Williams and Staff Sgt. Kenyetta King. See the full story on Page 4.

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# A Perfect Storm

*by Col. Melvin Giddings,  
349th Maintenance Group*



Unknown and unseen by the American public, for one week in March, it seems, we were everything to everyone. We answered the call and met every tasking the American people expect of their military. Seamlessly doing our job, with little fanfare or notice to the American population, except those we touched.

In addition to the now regularly high ops tempo we are supporting for Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and NEW DAWN, we added a seemingly insurmountable number of missions to our workload during this one week.

Operation Tomodachi: In the wake of the tsunami and earthquakes in Japan, we answered the call to help those in need. On March 23rd alone, at the height of the disaster response, the Air Force carried out more than 25 missions carrying 486 tons of food, water, fuel and other emergency supplies. We continue to aid in the humanitarian cargo delivery.

Operation Pacific Passage: When military families needed assistance to depart after the Japanese tsunami and earthquakes, we answered the call. Travis volunteers assisted more than 2,600 passengers and 150 pets through the passenger terminal and transported military dependents to local airports, expediting reunions with family members.

Operation Odyssey Dawn: With President Barack Obama's decision to join our allies in the Libyan campaign, we answered the call, supporting NATO aircraft with tanker and maintenance support, for an undefined length of time.

Operations NEW DAWN and ENDURING FREEDOM: The changing mission in Iraq and Afghanistan has not changed the constant need for our airlift and air bridge, supporting our warfighters on the ground.

PHOENIX BANNER Mission: When the President calls, we respond with the needed assets for success. During this week, our aircraft made sure our Commander in Chief was able to move effortlessly on his recent trip to South America.

Then, of course, we have our readiness exercises and preparation for our operational inspections:

Exercise NEPTUNE FALCON: Team Travis hosted additional tankers, supported with our limited maintenance workforce, during this same week. Practicing and improving large-formation air-to-air refueling operations and overall global-reach capabilities, we validated the concept with implications of national importance.

Preparation and focus on our Compliance Inspection has continued, without yielding to the demands encountered by this week in March. We are on track to meet or exceed any inspector requirement.

Travis continues preparing, training, and exercising regardless of what comes our way...this is where it all pays off... the seamless integration of Active and Reserve continues to show through, even at highest of operations tempos. This one week in March was our perfect storm: when expectations, requirements, and world events all merged, taxing our abilities, stamina, and attitudes, and we did not falter.

Thank you, Airman, for always answering the call with professionalism, selflessness, and a never-ending dedication to duty.

# Do your words, actions define you?

*by Chief Master Sgt. Kari L. Sumner,  
349th Maintenance Squadron*



**W**e live in a world of catch phrases, sayings and quotes. Some even use those quotes, sayings or catch phrases as a mantra to define themselves. Let's look at some and see if we can figure out what those people are really saying.

"It is what it is." Five words, yet combined they can be very powerful. Is it *really* what it is? Have you decided to settle and accept things for what they are, or are you willing to take the risk, step outside of your comfort zone, and look for a better, safer, more efficient way to meet your goals? We all use different thought processes to solve an equation; don't be afraid to pool the collective knowledge across generations of experience and expertise to meet the needs of your goal or the mission.

"Attitude is everything." Add in a pinch of negativity and you're well on your way to your team falling apart. Ultimately, no matter what your career speciality, we all have a mission to accomplish. Arrive at work optimistic, ready to take on challenges. Pull from the strength of your teammates. Life can be challenging, frustrating, but rewarding all at the same time. Trust me, I used to be the consummate pessimist, a glass half-empty kind of gal. But over the years I have come to look at another side.

Think about your leaders, who would you like to emulate? Are you drawn to the one that tackles problems head-on with a bit of a smile on his/her face, or the one that complains about every little task or requirement, computer-based training, the weather, the economy, everything. I think most will admit they are drawn to positive energy.

"If you always do what you always did; you'll always get what you always got." This has got to be my favorite phrase. My path to chief master sergeant took me through three different career specialties. Along the way, I had great mentors who encouraged me to do more than the minimum. However, every step down that path was my choice. I chose to continue my education and get my Community College of the Air Force degree. I chose to complete all available levels of professional military education, including Senior Enlisted Joint PME. I chose to involve myself in wing, group and squadron projects, not because I felt it would help me meet a goal of making chief, but because it would allow me to be ready if the opportunity to reach that pinnacle came along.

You can use this same phrase in correlation to fitness; "If you always do what you always did," i.e., sit on the couch eating a ton of junk, then "you'll always get what you always got," i.e., a greater chance of failing your PT test, developing a moderate to severe medical condition, or worse.

Always strive to be better and be ready. You never know when it's your turn.  
So which one are you?

## I want my father, mother to be proud

*by Chaplain (Capt.) Andrew Edwards, 349th Air Mobility Wing*

**B**y the time this article is printed, both Mother's and probably Father's Day will have passed. I hope you didn't forget to make the call, send the flowers and card, and/or pick out something special for your parents. After all, one sacred text, the Bible, tells us we need to honor our father and mother, even if you don't agree with their philosophy, religion, or choice in clothing. If you forgot to do something special for them, don't worry, everyday is a new chapter, and a new opportunity. But don't wait; one friend of mine lost his dad a few years ago from cancer...he was only 45. This year, Mother's day, he lost his mother unexpectedly, she was only 48. He wasn't able to get through by phone on Mother's Day. Life is short; no one knows that day nor hour when we will enter eternity. Live with purpose and meaning...be focused on the important things!

Parents spend a lot of time with their kids (if you're a parent, you know). Parents spend years growing to be wise sages, tough as a Drill Instructor, medically trained like a nurse, cooking like Mimi...you get the point. Parents are special, though imperfect. If you have any good traits, or skills, it's probably because your parents taught them to you or modeled them. If you have a strong walk with God, or a strong spiritual walk, your parents probably had a hand in it...therefore, give honor to whom honor is due.

I know being a mom or dad can be tough, just consider: You are conceived, that was the fun part! Your mother then stretches out her beautiful shape (that attracted your dad) to make room for you. Often she never quite gets back that shape, as she gains 20-40

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# Reserve chaplain team judged best in readiness and programs

**by Senior Master Sgt. Ellen Hatfield,  
349th Public Affairs**

When the 349th Air Mobility Wing chaplain team gathered with their peers in Denver, Colo., recently for a bi-annual conference, they did not know they would be singled out for singular praise and glory. This humble team won two of three major Air Force Reserve Command awards for excellence in 2010, one for Outstanding Chaplain Corps Program, and one for Chaplain Corps Readiness.

Assigned to this team are four chaplains and five chaplain assistants: Chief Chaplain (Col.) Tyler Guy, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Lebane Hall, Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth Rowley, Chaplain (Capt.) Andrew Edwards, and chaplain assistants Master Sgt. Rita Houchin, Tech. Sgt. Stacey Kemp, Staff Sgt. Michael Pierce, Staff Sgt. Danielle Williams and Staff Sgt. Kenyetta King.

Both Chaplains Guy and Edwards live in Southern California, Dana Point and San Diego respectively, but the rest of the team lives in close proximity to Travis. "That's one of things that makes this such a special chaplain/assistant team," said Chaplain Guy. "Most everyone lives within an hour of the base, so they are here numerous 'extra' times to take care of details and to help people...just because they care."

An integral part of this team who played a part in garnering these accolades was Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Gregory Stringer, a fixture around the wing, and base, since 1993. He recently concluded his ministry at Travis, and is now ministering to a new flock at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He could often be seen dropping in for a spiritual visit with not just the 349th, but with Airmen from the 60th Air Mobility Wing, the 615th Contingency Response Wing, and our other partners on base.

Chaplain Guy said that the experience level of his team has them prepared, and ready for anything that comes their way. "Most of our team has deployed, and they are positive about life," he said. "They know life can be tough, but it is better to live it in relationship to God, than ignore God."

Constant training has them totally ready and in the "green." Another part of their readiness is finding out what they can do for the Airmen on base, how they can be a positive presence in their daily lives.

"We recently conducted a survey and found that more people want to see their chaplain and assistant visit the workplace. What a great idea! Let us know what you think and we are there for you, we can visit you soon."

Chaplain Guy said this chaplain team, and the chaplain corps, is continually working to grow and strengthen relationships with other agencies in the good times, so in times of testing and trouble, they can be a help, and receive help.

"We are here to make a positive contribution with a joyful spirit, and are honored to be part of this Travis Team."

If you would like to participate in the 349th AMW chaplain team survey, click on this link, or cut and paste this into the URL: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/J5GV9JR>.

*"We are here to make a positive contribution with a joyful spirit, and are honored to be part of this Travis Team."*

**-- Chaplain (Col.) Tyler Guy,  
349th Air Mobility Wing**

# 349th member selected to serve on Air Force Association Reserve Council

*by Patti Schwab-Holloway, 349th Public Affairs*

Senior Master Sgt. Darren A. Thews, a production supervisor with the 945th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was recently selected as a member of the Air Force Association Reserve Council for fiscal year 2011/2012.

Sergeant Thews will be on the AFA Reserve Council with membership for the next two years and explore potential policy and language changes that may benefit the Air Force Reserve family.

He was born in Hammond, Indiana and he enlisted in the United States Air Force in September of 1983. His active duty background includes working on the F-111A Type Aircraft as a Bombing Navigation Radar Technician. His assignments sent him to Mt. Home, Idaho and RAF Upper Heyford, England. After six years of active duty, Sergeant Thews was honorably discharged and returned to the Chicago area and elected to try the civilian sector. In November of 1989 he took a position at United Airlines as a radio and electric technician in San Francisco, Calif. He reenlisted back into the Air Force Reserve in April of 1990. Sergeant Thews then joined the maintainers of the C-5 Galaxy as a communication navigation technician. Activated as an expediter, January 2005 until September 2007, he spent the final year of activation as a maintenance operations center controller, deployed, and became part of the 945th AMXS from the date of its stand-up.



The Reserve Advisory Council is composed of officers, enlisted members and civilians who serve (or have served) in the Air Force Reserve. They represent the different constituencies of the Air Force Reserve. The Reserve Council members are responsible in assisting in the development of Air Force policy recommendations on quality of life and quality of service issues. They identify and prioritize quality of life and quality of service issues driven by legislative action; prepare input, to include background information, and recommend action by the Air Force on these issues. They then make recommendations to the Air Force Reserve through AF/RE on policy issues which impact Air Force Reservists. For more information on the Air Force Association Reserve Council visit: <http://www.afa.org>.

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pounds of protective cover for you. She carries you, while often feeling sick, for nine months (Okay, not the whole nine months, but it seemed like it!).

Dad meanwhile is working hard, trying to keep mom fed, worrying about his beautiful bride as she prepares for that moment of labor, and a labor of love it truly is. When the time came for you to be born, the fun really started! Moms will know exactly what I'm talking about. Dad, well he was there perhaps, but his hand was squeezed so tightly that he forgot what labor looked like. They say if dads had a child, logically they'd only have one. The pain is so intense it is likened to a man passing a kidney or gall stone. God seems to give moms amnesia, so she'll be willing to have more children.

After you were born she quickly began the process of feeding you; both parents learned how to hold their nose and change a diaper at the same time. The next eighteen years, your parents sacrificed many things in order to make sure you had the most important things in life. Parents also learn to become great photographers. Parents are often extremely proud of their child, who is above normal in all areas...just ask your mom and dad. They became your greatest fan and advocate, and they never do seem to forget your phone number or birthday...even when you are 60.

After many years of watching my parents and children grow older, I know there is one thing I know for sure; they are a blessing to me, regardless of their state of perfection. I also know that I want my parents, (especially my Heavenly Father) to be proud of me! I want my children to be able to say to their children, "I am proud of my mom and pop!" Are you living a life that will make those you care about most, proud of you? What will be written about you in the end? Will your Father be proud of you? Will your fellow Airmen be proud of you? Today is a new day, and a new opportunity, what will you do with it?

# 349th Air Mobility Wing Compliance

## Individual Recognition

Master Sgt. Brian Burgin,  
349th Recruiting Squadron



Maj. Gerard Guevara, 349th Air Mobility Wing



Master Sgt. Donald Keefer,  
349th Aircraft Control Flight



Master Sgt. Mitchel Cooper,  
349th Force Support Squadron



Master Sgt. Liwliwa Manuntag,  
301st Airlift Squadron



Master Sgt. Scott Suitor,  
349th Security Force Squadron

## Team Recognition

### MICT Virtual CI Prep Team

- Lt. Col. Wilfried Link
- Lt. Col. Boyd Parker
- Capt. James Pitts
- Chief Master Sgt. Louis Kloeppel
- Senior Master Sgt. Jennifer LePore
- Senior Master Sgt. James Standley

### Emergency Management Team

- Master Sgt. Kevin Fejarang
- Master Sgt. Michael Barrett

### OPSEC Working Group

- Senior Master Sgt. Greg Nowakowski
- Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Hazeltine
- Master Sgt. Michael Brown
- Master Sgt. Scott Suitor

### Airman & Family Readiness Team

- Master Sgt. Pamela Sitas
- Master Sgt. Heath Rickling
- Master Sgt. Anthony Barker
- Tech. Sgt. Teresa Grieff
- Tech. Sgt. Russel Wooten
- Tech. Sgt. Walter Stewart
- Mr. Jack Watts

# The Inspection Superior Performers

Master Sgt. Elda Finnegan,  
349th Medical Group



Tech. Sgt. Ana Baber  
349th Civil Engineer Squadron



Master Sgt. Kevin Fejarang,  
349th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron



Staff Sgt. Tricia Thomas  
349th Force Support Squadron



Scott Smiter,  
Security Forces Squadron



Senior Master Sgt. Lee TraxlerSiehndel,  
349th Memorial Affairs Squadron

\*Master Sgt. Jenica Seabourn,  
349th Civil Engineer Squadron

(Picture unavailable at press time)

## Military Bearing Award

Master Sgt. Catherine Monteon,  
349th Recruiting Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Candie Simmons,  
349th Force Support Squadron

Staff Sgt. Daniel Dick,  
349th Security Forces Squadron

Staff Sgt. Cynthia Ibarra,  
349th Civil Engineer Squadron

Staff Sgt. Dallas Thies,  
349th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Senior Airman Gabriella Oaxaca  
349th Recruiting Squadron

Senior Airman Benjamin Herrington,  
349th Financial Management

### Equal Opportunity

Maj. Clarissa Tuttle  
Capt. Rachel Alvarez Montiel  
Master Sgt. Grayland Hill  
Master Sgt. Heather Bradley  
Master Sgt. Camilla Asuncion  
Tech. Sgt. Kenneth Macasaet

### Wing Fitness Program Team

Maj. Christina Soares  
Chief Master Sgt. Kevin Waddle  
Staff Sgt. Autumn Ohlendorf

(U.S. Air Force courtesy photos)

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# 349th Operations Group prepares for upcoming Aircrew Standards and Evaluations

*by Master Sgt. Robert Wade  
349th Public Affairs*

The 349th Operations Group is preparing for the upcoming Aircrew Standards and Evaluations visit scheduled for Aug. 8-22, here, by inspectors from Air Mobility Command located at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

The AMC evaluators conduct the Aircrew Stan/Eval evaluation every three years, which encompasses all aircraft assigned to Travis, all air crew positions and the Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.

The window for check rides opens 120 days prior to the scheduled inspection. During this time, evaluators hop flights from Travis to points all over the globe and conduct check rides. Due to the large number of check rides required, augmentee's from other bases assist AMC in

performing the check rides.

"AMC views our schedule and jumps on our flights at will," said Col. Albert Lupenski, 349th Operations Group commander. "We pick up evaluators from various places," he added.

"Currently, the KC-10s are in the process of crew evaluations and the process is nearly complete," he said.

"We did great last time. You are deemed either mission ready or not mission ready. We were deemed mission ready," said Lupenski.

The Aircrew Stan/Eval Visit is an ongoing program to maintain and evaluate readiness in the Ops group.

The upcoming inspection will be concurrent for both the 60th and the 349th.

## *349th Wing Traditional Reserve Vacancies*

AFSC	AFSC Title	Rank	AFSC	AFSC Title	Rank
11G3	Generalist Pilot	Officer	44M3H	Internist	Officer
11M3K	Mobility Pilot, General	Officer	44R3B	Diagnostic Radiologist	Officer
11M2A	Mobility Pilot, General	Officer	45A3	Anesthesiologist	Officer
11M3S	Mobility Pilot	Officer	45B3	Orthopedic Surgeon	Officer
12M3	Mobility Pilot, Navigator	Officer	45S3A	Surgeon	Officer
14N3	Intelligence Officer	Officer	45S3B	Surgeon	Officer
1A151	Flight Engineer	SSgt/TSgt	46F3	Flight Nurse	Officer
1A251	Aircraft Loadmaster	TSgt/MSgt/SMSgt	46M3	Nurse Anesthetist	Officer
1N071	Operations Intel	TSgt	46N3	Clinical Nurse	Officer
21A3	Aircraft Maintenance	Officer	46N3E	Clinical Critical Nurse	Officer
2A571	Aerospace Maint	TSgt/MSgt	46N3H	Clinical Nurse	Officer
2A675	Aircraft Hydraulic Sys	SSgt/TSgt	46S3	Operating Room Nurse	Officer
2E173	Ground Radio Comm	TSgt/MSgt	48A3	Aerospace Medicine	Officer
2T271	Air Transportation	MSgt	4A091	Health Services Mgmt	SMSgt
3E252	Electrical Power Prod	SSgt	4N051	Aerospace Medical Svs	SSgt
3E251	Pavement & Const	SSgt	4N071	Aerospace Medical Svs	TSgt/MSgt
3E451	Utilities Systems	TSgt	4N071C	Aerospace Med, IDMT	TSgt/MSgt
3E473	Enviro Controls	MSgt	4N091	Aerospace Medical Svs	SMSgt
3D152	Cyber Trans Sys	SSgt	8F000	First Sergeant	MSgt
3S271	Education & Training	SSgt/TSgt/MSgt	5J051	Paralegal Assistant	SSgt
41A3	Health Services Admin	Officer	52R3	Chaplain	Officer
43P3	Pharmacist	Officer	5R051	Chaplain Assistant	SSgt

For more information about these vacancies, go to <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afpcsecure/MainMenu.asp>.

For more information about ART vacancies contact the ART Recruiter office at 530-634-5189 or go to <http://www.usajobs.gov>.

## 349th's Wingmen going 'above and beyond'

### Deployed Airmen replace money stolen from little girls

*by Senior Airman Sheila deVera  
455th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs*

Airmen from the 455th Expeditionary Aerial Port Squadron here collected \$160 April 14 to replace money stolen from three girls in Warner Robins, Ga.

Capt. Charles Marquez, assigned to the 55th Aerial Port Squadron but deployed to the 455th EAPS Air Terminal Operation Center where he is the officer in charge, read an article about how the girls setup a lemonade stand to raise money for one of the girl's ill cousins. The article went on to say, while trying to raise money for the medical expenses, a male and female stole the money from the stand.

Moved by the story, the captain printed the article and distributed it to his co-workers.

"Everybody in the section, without having any second thoughts, started donating money," Captain Marquez said.

With help from Tech. Sgt. Ladell Moss, a 455th EAPS assistant duty officer, Captain Marquez was able to raise the amount stolen from the girls within 24 hours.

"After the captain read the article to me, I felt angry at the people for doing this to the little girls who were just trying to do something good," Sergeant Moss said.

As they went around the section collecting donations, they found the story touched a lot of hearts, and the Airmen did not hesitate to contribute to the cause.

"As a mother of three, the article broke my heart," said Cynthia Bland, a 455th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron movement control specialist. "I just want them to know that not everyone is bad and not everybody is going to take from you."

As Captain Marquez prepared to wire the money, his office prepared two flags to be flown over Afghanistan, one for the ill cousin and one for the girls and a special message.

"Not everyone in this world is bad," explained Sergeant Moss. "There are good people out there that will help you out, even if you are a complete stranger."



Tech. Sgt. Ladell Moss collects money from Capt. Charles Marquez, 55th Aerial Port Squadron, April 14, at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. Both Airmen are deployed to the 455th Expeditionary Aerial Port Squadron.

### 349th member receives ALS Commandant Award

Recently Senior Airman Alejandra Apaza received the Commandant Award for demonstrating superior teamwork, professional conduct, goal attainment, and leadership/followership traits during her attendance at the Airman Leadership School. Airman Apaza was selected from among the 47 students that attended this highly demanding and intense development course.

Congratulation go out to Airman Apaza for achieving this distinguished award and by representing the 349th Air Mobility Wing and 349th Logistics Readiness Squadron with her dedication and hard work.



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# New aviators color vision testing

*by Lt. Col. Jeffrey D. Salman, BSC  
349th Aerospace Medicine Squadron*

All 349th Air Mobility Wing aviators need to be aware of the new color vision test requirement for active duty and Reserve members. Upon completion of your physical exam you will now be given three separate color vision tests:

- (1) the Pseudo-Isochromatic Plate-1
- (2) Pseudo-Isochromatic Plate-2 color booklet; and
- (3) a new, third color vision test called the Cone Contrast Test.

The PIP-1 and -2 is the original test that has been around for many years and is the standard evaluation of a colored number within the colored dots booklet test. The CCT test specifically detects blue/yellow color vision deficits.

Why is this important? The 'heads up' flight display is very blue/yellow oriented and people tend to lose a little blue/yellow ability as they get older.

The Air Force has decided to test specifically for deficits that could potentially affect the ability to see this type of 'heads up' display. It will now take each patient approximately 15 additional minutes to accomplish the vision testing as a result of the CCT.

Please be patient as the wait time in the optometry section may increase. This is a temporary inconvenience as we are expecting the need to do the original PIP 1 and PIP 2 tests to be discontinued by January 2012.



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## ENLISTED PROMOTIONS



### MASTER SERGEANT

ZACHARY J. BIGHAM, 312th AS  
JEFFREY S. FRIESEN, 349th AMDS  
KARL E. MOORE, 349th AMW  
SUISE P. NUNEZ, 55th APS  
JESUS G. ORTEGA III, 349th CES  
ROLDAN C. PIGA, 312th AS  
LESLIE A. PORTUGAL, 23rd CBCS  
PHILLIP G. SMITH, JR., 349th AMW  
GREGORY N. WATKINS, JR., 349th CES



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GREGORY S. CODY, 349th MAS  
TRACEY FALKENBERRY, 349th ASTS  
RENE L. MELINE, 945th AMXS  
DUC PHAN NGUYEN, 945th AMXS  
ROBIN H. THOMASON, 349th AMXS  
MICHAEL WENDLINGER, 945th AMXS



### TECHNICAL SERGEANT

MATTHEW D. CASPAR, 349th ASTS  
SHAWN M. LEYBA, 349th MXS  
WILLIAM J. O'DONNELL, 349th OG  
DEREK H. ROSIN, 945th AMXS



### SENIOR AIRMAN

LACY R. RUSSELL, 45th APS  
DAVID A. VERZA, 23rd CBCS

Effective May 2011 or earlier.

## 349th Wing Employer Appreciation Day August 20

### Employer Information

EMPLOYER:            Mr.                    Ms.                    Mrs.                    Dr.                    Other:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/DD/YYYY (Needed for base entry identification)

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Employer E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to be Notified in Emergency and contact phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code and Number)

**Note:** An Air Force Certificate of Appreciation will be prepared for each employer using the name you provide. Please insure that the name above is clearly legible and correctly spelled so the certificate is correct when presented by the commander.

### Sponsoring Reservist Information

Reservist Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Assigned: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Duty: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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.

#### Privacy Act Statement:

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**Principal Use:** Use of individual's home address/phone is required to contact, coordinate, and/or provide participation details for Employer Appreciation Day events. Date of Birth and State License # are used to verify ID for entry to the base.

**Routine Use:** Log and track employers and their participation, verify ID at entry.

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## **OPERATION GRATITUDE - 2011**

**June 18**

**Yountville Veterans Home, Yountville**

Come out and show your support for those who've served before us! Operation Gratitude is an annual event that has become a tradition for the 349th AMW. This year the event will be on June 18 and will be the eleventh year members from Team Travis have reached out to those who have served before them.

Operation Gratitude is simply an opportunity to say "thank you" and spend some time with our nation's veterans while serving a champagne brunch. By the end of the day, however, it always ends up being a lot more.

Donations for this event are needed. Also volunteers for the planning committee and food preparation are needed. Participation is open to everyone, regardless of affiliation. POCs for this year's event are Tech. Sgt. Jeff Forzaglia, (707) 424-7918 or via e-mail at [jeffrey.forzaglia.1@us.af.mil](mailto:jeffrey.forzaglia.1@us.af.mil) and Senior Master Sgt. Don Davis, (707) 424-8405 or via e-mail at [donald.davis.8@us.af.mil](mailto:donald.davis.8@us.af.mil).

