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**NAME**

Staff Sgt. Corey Rose

UNIT

19th Maintenance Squadron

POSITION

C-130 Aerospace Propulsion Craftsman

HOMETOWN

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TIME IN SERVICE

7 years

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6 years

SIGNIFICANT ACTION

Staff Sgt. Corey Rose, a 19th Maintenance Squadron C-130 aerospace propulsion craftsman, is in charge of the isochronal engine shop where he ensured approximately 250 maintenance tasks were completed correctly and efficiently during each C-130 inspection. Rose also revamped the master training plan for 23 isochronal engine personnel and created milestones for 1,068 training tasks.

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U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Regina Edwards

Precious Alexander, a 19th Airlift Wing paralegal legal assistant, embraces her husband, Staff Sgt. Alan Alexander, a 314th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron electronic and environmental systems specialist, March 14 at Little Rock Air Force Base. Approximately 100 Airmen returned after supporting operations in Afghanistan.



Welcome home!

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More than 100 Team Little Rock maintainers returned home Saturday from a six-month deployment in Afghanistan. Some of their duties while deployed were maintaining the C-130J's that deliver cargo and passengers throughout Afghanistan. A crowd of approximately 200 family members and friends cheered with balloons, signs and custom-made shirts as the Airmen entered the room. Some were reunited with spouses, others were welcomed by parents, and there were those who met a child for the first time. Precious Alexander, a 19th Airlift Wing paralegal assistant, said, "The hardest part of him being gone was parenting without my rock; it's not easy at all, but the best part of him being back is everything!"



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Airman 1st Class Riocornell Golo

19th Medical Operations Squadron pediatrics technician

Why is your job important?

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What is your favorite part of your job?

"The best part of my job is the people I work with. As an apprentice, I have been blessed with the opportunity to learn from the best. They help me to accomplish my personal and professional goals. Their faith in me gives me the confidence to pursue more and go further in my career."

What is your most memorable experience working here so far?

"It would have to be my first volunteer event - Habitat for Humanity. When I got the email, I wanted to sign up instantly. It was probably my first best decision since I got here. Not only did I help build somebody's house, but I also helped myself build friendships that have continuously flourished up to this day."

What is your most significant accomplishment at Little Rock Air Force Base?

"So far, my most significant accomplishment would be completing my CDCs in six months and passing my EOC with flying colors."



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The 314th Airlift Wing is the nation's C-130 "Center of Excellence." The wing is responsible for training C-130 aircrew members from across the Department of Defense, to include the Coast Guard and 46 allied nations. Some of the ways the 314th AW tracks its successes are through measured aircraft availability and mission-capable rates. Those metrics as of Tuesday are:

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Aircraft availability

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Chief Master Sgt. Robert Boyer, 19th Air Force command chief, talks to 314th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron maintainers March 13 at Little Rock Air Force Base. Boyer met with Senior Airman Laketa Kinghorne, a 314th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron member, who showed him an initiative that the communication navigation shop created to repair communication cords.

19th AF command chief visits the Rock

By Senior Airman Kaylee Clark
19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Chief Master Sgt. Robert Boyer, 19th Air Force command chief, visited Little Rock Air Force Base March 13, 2015, as the guest speaker for the 314th Maintenance Professional of the Year Banquet.

The chief spent time with senior noncommissioned officers, NCOs and Airmen. He also visited the 48th Airlift Squadron, 189th Airlift Wing, 714th Training Squadron and the non-prior service dormitories. He also attended the 62nd AS change-of-command ceremony.

At a luncheon with Airmen and NCOs, Boyer shared his perspective with members of a younger generation. He explained that there is a difference in each generation, and enlisted leaders need to adapt to communicate with "Millennials." "When Airmen ask questions, it's because they want to own the issue," said Boyer. "Our Airmen ask questions because they care."

He added that relationships are the key to communication with Airmen.

"It's about relationships. You have

to know how to work with people. You can't parent like you were parented," said Boyer referring to himself and other chiefs. "It's up to us to change."

The chief talked to the Airmen about the Profession of Arms Center of Excellence website, www.airman.af.mil. According to the site, U.S. Air Force Professionalism has four goals: Inspire a strong commitment to the profession of arms; promote the right mindset to enhance effectiveness and trust; foster relationships that strengthen an environment of trust; and enhance a culture of shared identity, dignity and respect.

Boyer charged Airmen to ask themselves, "When you walk away from the Air Force, what is your legacy going to be?"

While visiting maintainers on the flightline, the chief viewed innovation, fueled by Airmen. Senior Airman Laketa Kinghorne, a 314th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron member, presented an initiative produced by the communication navigation shop. The team created a new maintenance

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capability that can be performed on the communication cords used by aircrew during flight. The new initiative saves the Air Force money because cords can be repaired instead of purchased new each time they are broken.

After visiting the flightline, Boyer met with Tech. Sgt. Leif Kuester, 314th AMXS propulsion craftsman, and four Airmen who were servicing propellers and checking the hydraulic fluid levels.

Additionally, Boyer met with Col. Robert Ator, 189th Airlift Wing commander. During this visit, Ator explained the deep rooted partnership the 189th AW and the 314th AW share to accomplish the schoolhouse mission.

Boyer finished the day by spending time with technical school Airmen where they were given the opportunity to ask various questions about topics that included their roles and futures in the Air Force.



Chief Master Sgt. Robert Boyer, 19th Air Force command chief, walks into the Center of Excellence with Col. James Dryjanski, 314th Airlift Wing commander, March 13 at Little Rock Air Force Base. While visiting the Center of Excellence Boyer toured simulators and also had the chance to fly one.



Technical school Airmen listen to Chief Master Sgt. Robert Boyer, 19th Air Force command chief, March 13 at Little Rock Air Force Base. The students were given the chance to ask questions they have about their future in the Air Force.

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Meeting of medical minds

By Senior Airman Regina Edwards

19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 19th Medical Group and Humana hosted a provider collaboration meeting March 12 at Little Rock Air Force Base.

The purpose of this occasion was to strengthen and solidify relationships with downtown providers who network with the base.

“This provides an opportunity for our primary care managers and nurses to become acquainted with our TRICARE network providers,” said Leslie Kyer, the 19th Medical Group health system specialist. “We invited over 300 TRICARE network providers who have supported us over the years.”

More than 40 providers attended in addition to the base’s medical team. All participants were eager to meet and in many instances it allowed attendees to match names with faces

for people they often communicate with over the phone.

This event provided an opportunity to improve professional relationships through collaboration and exchange of ideas as well as a chance for the 19th MDG to express their appreciation for the community’s continued support of their medical mission.

During the collaboration, Col. William Otter, 19th Airlift Wing vice commander, and Col. Douglas Littlefield, 19th MDG commander, welcomed and thanked the community medical providers for attending and all they do to support the active-duty members and families of Little Rock AFB.

After the networking portion of the event was over, everyone enjoyed a meal while Col. Littlefield and Kyer drew names for four guests to have the opportunity to enjoy a simulated ride on a C-130 or C-17.



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Regina Edwards

Col. Douglas Littlefield, 19th Medical Group commander, welcomes civilian medical providers to the Medical Providers Collaboration Event March 12 at Little Rock Air Force Base. The collaboration meeting was an opportunity for base and community medical providers to network and build relationships.

“Based on the resounding success of this initial event, the 19th MDG plans to continue looking for opportunities to interact with our community medical partners in the future,” said Kyer.

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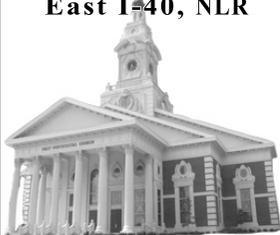
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Training for the Bataan Death March

By Airman 1st Class Scott Poe

19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Faces turn red as exhaustion from trekking through mud and rocky conditions takes its toll on the body. Sweat rolls down faces, but smiles are still intact. High hopes and excitement of what's to come pushes the team forward to their goal; but the gravity of participating in the Bataan Memorial Death March keeps the hikers grounded.

Members from the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron have been training for two months for the march. They're walking in remembrance to honor those who lost their lives during the forcible transfer of prisoners April 9, 1942. The team plans on marching 26.2 miles at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. The annual event, which begins March 21, is expected to draw 5,000 participants.

The Bataan Memorial Death March honors American and Filipino prisoners of war, who after the battle of Bataan marched from Mariveles, Bataan, to San Fernando, Pampanga. They traversed 60 miles of treacherous terrain on foot and then boarded a box train which took them to Camp O'Donnel, Capas, Tarlac. Many of these heroes lost their lives along the way.

The team members are participating in

the Death March in honor of World War II veterans, some are also doing it for more personal reasons.

"I will be wearing my grandfather's and my father's dog tags during the march," said Kenneth Womack, a 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron rigger leader. "My grandfather was a World War II veteran and my father, an Army veteran, used to be stationed at White Sands, New Mexico."

The team has been training for more than a month to endure the desert terrain and to ensure their bodies can handle the brutal conditions.

"Our goal is to finish the march in eight hours or less," said Womack. "We intend on keeping a 3.5 to 4 miles per hour pace."

The weather has hindered the team's training by dropping snow, ice and other unwanted precipitation along with bitter cold winds. After Mother Nature was done, the team went back to training, working harder than ever.

After a 16-mile trek through the trails at Burns Park, the team was in high spirits. It was the team's final practice before the event.

"I am feeling very confident after our training at Burns Park," said Womack. "I had my doubts, but if we can hike through the hills of Arkansas, we make it through

the sands in New Mexico."

Altogether there will be 15 members leaving their footprints in the sands of New Mexico. There are three teams of five; the male military team, co-ed military team and a civilian team.

The team was overwhelmed by the support of the local community. The team was able to secure funds needed to participate in the march. Although the team is confident in finishing their march, many of the members will still be satisfied regardless of the outcome.

"It doesn't matter what time we finish; what matters is that Little Rock is there honoring our veterans," said Tech. Sgt. Patrick Chavez, a 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron noncommissioned officer-in-charge of air terminal self-evaluation.

The trek stands as a tribute to the camaraderie and resilience of the greatest generation that resonates to this day.

"I hope we all finish as a team, strongly and safely," said Tech. Sgt. Douglas Karaffa, a 19th LRS aerial delivery supervisor. "This will be a great team building event and a great way to honor and remember those who were an amazing and tragic part of history."



(Right) Members from the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron take a short break while on their 16-mile hike March 11 at Burns Park in North Little Rock. The 15-member group has been training for the 26.2-mile Bataan Memorial Death March set for March 22, at White Sands Missile Range, (Left) Members from the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron traverse through tough terrain March 11 at Burns Park in North Little Rock. The team is training for the upcoming Bataan Memorial Death March set for March 22, at White Sands Missile Range, N.M.; it consists of 26.2 miles of desert terrain including two miles through sand.



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the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron trek across dirt trails, March 11, at Burns Park in North Little Rock, as part of training for the Bataan Memorial Death March. The Bataan Memorial Death March at White Sands, N.M. honors service members and Filipino prisoners of war during World War II. Historians estimate that the death toll neared 10,000.



Tech. Sgt. Patrick Chavez, a 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron noncommissioned officer-in-charge of air terminal self-evaluation, along with Tech. Sgt. Douglas Karaffa, a 19th LRS aerial delivery supervisor, and Scout the Weimaraner, begin a 16-mile hike March 11 at Burns Park in North Little Rock. Members from the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron were training for the upcoming Bataan Memorial Death March at White Sands Missile Range, N.M.

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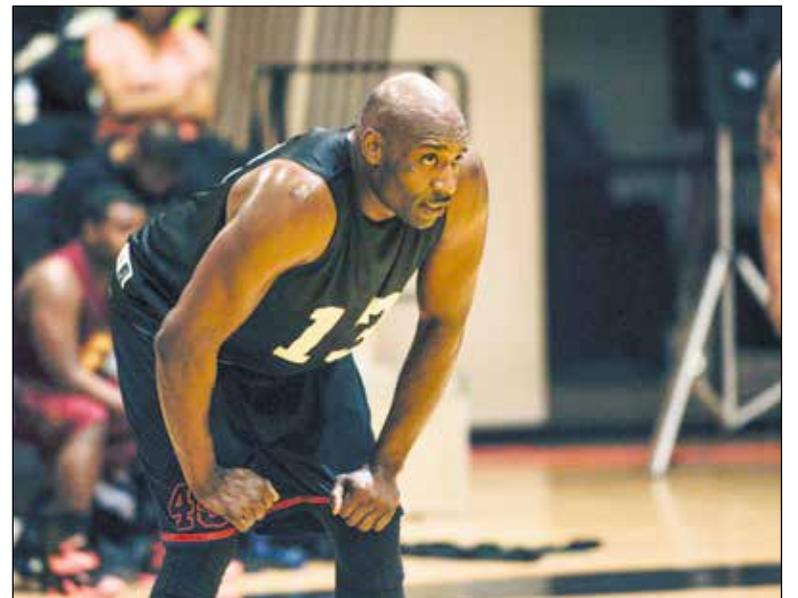
The 19th Medical Group pulled out the win during the first matchup against the 19th Maintenance Group, but the second game was a different story.

The clash of the opposing post players kept the lane

full of intensity.

The medics ran low on energy during the final game, and the maintainers took advantage.

The maintainers defeated the medics the second game and took home the trophy. The maintainers managed to dismantle the medics, 57-44.



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Today

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Opening, 10 a.m.*

Community Happenings

Saturday

Cabot's annual Spring Cleanup and Hazardous Waste Roundup will be from 9 a.m. – noon at Cabot Jr. High South. To register, call (501) 920-2122.

Saturday

The Jacksonville Museum of Military History presents "A Night at the Victory Canteen," a benefit dinner and auction supporting the museum. Begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Jacksonville Community Center. For tickets, or more information, call (501) 241-1943.



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• 216 DAYS TO GO UNTIL LRAFB TURNS 60!

March 19, 2004, the 314th Airlift Wing received its first C-130J Super Hercules. The stretch C-130J-30 number 02-0314 was the first J-model stationed at Little Rock Air Force Base and the first assigned to the active-duty U.S. Air Force. The primary mission of the C-130 aircraft remained unchanged with aircrews continuing to perform the tactical portion of the airlift mission. The J model offered improvements to the C-130 including a modern glass cockpit with digital avionics, an improved electrical system, new engines and propellers, and an enhanced cargo handling and delivery system. In addition, the C-130J aircraft was designed for a three-person flight crew (pilot, copilot, and loadmaster) instead of the five-person flight crew of the previous models.



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Airmen Against Drunk Driving	987-2233
Airman's Attic, Bldg. 940	987-6777
Alterations, Bldg. 787	988-9235
Barber Shop, Bldg. 787	988-1160
Base Exchange, Bldg. 787	988-2237
Base Operator	987-1110
Beauty Salon, Bldg. 787	988-1900
Billeting front desk, Bldg. 1024	987-6753
Burger King, Bldg. 789, AAFES	988-4412
Career Asst. Advisor, Bldg. 710	987-5905
Chaplain, Bldg. 950	987-6014
Chaplain, 19th AW (after hours)	987-1900
Class Six/car care/shoppette, AAFES	988-2301
Clinic appointments, Bldg. 1090	1-800-557-6815
Clinic appointments, Bldg. 1090	987-8811
Clothing sales, Bldg. 787	987-3250
Combat Airlifter, Bldg. 1255	987-5855
Command post (24 hours)	987-1900
Commissary, Bldg. 790	987-6990
Arkansas Federal Credit Union	982-1000
Crime Stop, Bldg. 480	987-6600
Dental clinic, Bldg. 1090	987-7304
Finance cust. service, Bldg. 1255	987-8294
Fire reporting, Bldg. 110	911
First Arkansas Bank and Trust	982-4511
First-Term Amn's Ctr., Bldg. 710	987-1415
Florist, Bldg. 787, AAFES	988-4537
Fraud/waste/abuse hotline	987-3006
General Nutrition Ctr., Bldg. 787	988-0561
Hangar 1080, Bldg. 1080	987-5555
HERK (Base status updates) line	987-4375
Housing maintenance (24 hrs. ops)	983-9050
Housing office (Little Rock Family Housing), 101 Arkansas	983-9044
Housing Referral office, 19 CES, 101 Arkansas	987-6429
Inspector General	987-3596
Laundry and cleaners, Bldg. 787	983-1616
Legal office, Bldg. 1250	987-7886
Gov't transportation, Bldg. 551	987-6086
OSI	987-6116
OSI Hotline	779-0043
Optical shop, Bldg. 787	988-2761
Pass and ID, Bldg. 1255	987-6831
Popeye's Chicken	988-1374
Post Office, Bldg. 966	987-3695
Public Affairs, Bldg. 1255	987-3601
Recycling center, Bldg. 1568	987-6611
Saddle club	987-3365
Security Forces	987-3221
Sexual assault hotline	987-7272
Shoppette, Base Lake	988-4841
Shoppette, Class Six	988-2301
Suicide Prevention Hotline	1-800-273-8255
Theater, Bldg. 461	987-6461
Thrift shop, Bldg. 940	988-1191
Vet Clinic	987-7249

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www.housing.af.mil/littlerock

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Protestant Services

Sunday11 a.m.

Catholic Services

Daily Mass Tuesday - Friday 11:30 a.m.

Sunday Mass.....9:30 a.m.

* Confessions are held 30 minutes prior to each Mass and by appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Protestant RE

Sunday (Sept - May)9:30 p.m.

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PMOC (Wednesday) noon

PWOC (1st, 2nd, and 3rd Wednesday)6:30 p.m.

Catholic RE

Sunday (Sept - May)11 a.m.

RCIA Classes & Adult Bible Studies Available

Catholic Women of the Chapel (3rd Tuesday)6:30 p.m.

Other Faith Groups/Inquiries

Please contact the Little Rock AFB chapel office at 501-987-6014 for specifics on other faith groups or information regarding the local churches in the area.

Chaplain's Thought

"Excellence is the unlimited ability to improve the quality of what you have to offer."

- Rick Pitino

"If you're not making mistakes, then you're not doing anything. I'm positive that a doer makes mistakes"

- John Wooden

SAVES: Week of 16 March 2015

SAVES Level 3

Past 60 Days

(Rollback date: 16 Jan. 2015)

- With NO further incidents, we will be eligible for
- SAVES Level 2 on 27 March 2015
- SAVES Level 1 on 11 April 2015
- This month, the SAVES signs are proudly maintained by:

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Type:

DUI/DWI	3
Underage	1
Drunk/Disorderly	0
Duty-Related Incident	0
Public Intoxication	2
Accident Injury/Death	0
DV/Maltreatment	1
Contributing	0
Crimes Against Property	1
Open Container	0
Drug +	7

AIRMEN AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

2 Person saved this week

0 DUIs this week

Airmen should always have a plan, but if plans fall through, call 987-2233.