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On 10 Jan, 341 CES structural journeyman SrA Robby Puentes practiced vertical stick welding at Malmstrom AFB, Montana. Malmstrom AFB, Montana, is one of two Air Force installations that offer civilian and military personnel the opportunity to earn certifications accepted by the American Welding Society, including 1G, 3G, and 6G welding certifications. (USAF photo by SSgt Elora J. McCutcheon)

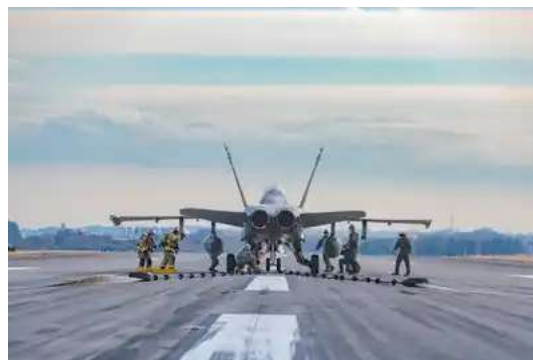




A Fireproof Partnership

Under the automatic aid agreement, the 23 CES has been conducting emergency operations with the Lowndes County Fire Department since Oct 2021. The partnership provides both teams the structural firefighting training and experience needed to decrease the odds of losing life.

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Airmen and Marines Work Together

Airmen from the 374 CES and 374 OSS completed their annual Aircraft Arresting System (AAS) certification with Marines deployed to Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni at Yokota AB, Japan. An AAS can prevent the loss of life if a pilot cannot stop their aircraft during landing; during these extreme cases, the arresting system prevents damage to the aircraft itself or other airfield equipment.

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Battling the Freezing Cold

The 88 CES responded to freezing temperatures at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio when a winter storm wreaked havoc on infrastructure last month. The total cost in damage was nearly \$4M across the installation.

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Time for an Upgrade

Laughlin AFB, Texas, has been awarded \$35.3M to renovate the Rick's Hall Enlisted Dorms. The renovation project will modernize and upgrade the living spaces for enlisted men and women, including adding a kitchenette, new furniture, and appliances and updating the electrical and plumbing systems.

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Cleanup on Aisle Wright-Patterson

Construction of a 420-foot-long trench is underway at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, targeting the hazardous materials storage facility in Area B. The trench intercepts any groundwater containing a firefighting agent called aqueous film-forming foam (AFFF).

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No Threat to the Human Weapon System

To decrease off-duty risk, the Air Force Safety Center sponsored a contest from 8 Oct through 27 Nov encouraging participants to create videos or safety slogans of threats to the Human Weapon System. The winning video was focused on motorcycle awareness, while the winning slogan was, "See Something, Do Something ... Live to Be Lethal!"

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Can you guess this AFB?

Established before Pearl Harbor, this AFB was built primarily due to civic leaders who rallied behind their community in front of the War Department. Over 10,000 pilots graduated from the flying school established on this base in the first four years.

- A. Dover AFB
- B. Goodfellow AFB
- C. Aviano AB
- D. Robins AFB

Scroll to the bottom for the answer!

SPOTLIGHT



CE Weekly Submission by Jenny Gibson

Today, we spotlight TSgt Adam K Ginett, who lost his life while serving in Kandahar, Afghanistan, on 19 Jan 2010. The 31 FW leadership and 31 CES honored TSgt Ginett in a memorial ceremony during Prime BEEF formation on 19 Jan 2023. Lt Col Jenny Gibson, 31 CES commander, CMSgt Jeremy Unterseher, 31 Fighter Wing command chief, and Col Vincent O'Connor, 31 FW vice commander, all gave their words of honor to Ginett's memory before joining the 31 CES in a moment of silence.

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