move, his passion and professionalism keeps him in the fight – one that parallels the worlds of MMA and being a U.S. Air Force TACP.

“Being in the ring and being a TACP are very similar,” said Staff Sgt. Mark Bunkley, 607th Air Support Operations Group tactical air control party (TACP). “The feeling I get going into the ring, is the same feeling I felt when I stepped out of my vehicle for the first time in Afghanistan and charged my weapon.”

Bunkley continued to explain the butterflies deep in his stomach from the uncertainty of what’s going to occur, which were flooded over by the trust he had in himself and the troops by his side.

“In combat, you don’t know if you’re going to hit an improvised explosive device or if you’re going to start taking contact,” Bunkley said. “You have to be on your toes the whole time. Same with in the ring, you don’t know what your opponent is planning. All you know is that they’re trying to defeat you.”

Whether Bunkley is observing his opponent from a higher terrain or is face to face with them, his goal is to be victorious. The amount of hours, days, months, and years of training can make or break him.

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Airman's innovative idea grants new capability to refueling truck

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — A R-11 refueler 6,000-gallon tanker hose adapter, primarily developed from cannibalized parts, could potentially save the Air Force thousands of man-hours each year by greatly reducing drive times during aircraft defuel operations. The Portable-Return to Bulk (P-RTB) developed by Staff Sgt. Jeremy Sandlin has cut aircraft defuel operations by up to 70 percent.

It started during a conversation with the Distribution Section Chief, Master Sgt. Hugh Mulhern, while riding back to the office from an aircraft defuel operation. The question proposed to SSgt Sandlin was, “How on earth could we make this faster?” Staff Sgt. Sandlin pondered and realized the answer was to connect an R-11 to a hydrant pit as opposed to driving to a pumphouse.

This capability, however, did not exist with the R-11 truck. The R-11 can only RTB into a hydrant system using an offloading header. Andersen AFB has only a limited system using an offloading header. However, the Fuels Management Flight had to utilize other organizations on base, and other national and international members, to provide the R-11 with the necessary parts to make the defuel operation more efficient.

On Jan. 10, 2020, The Andersen Air Force won the Pacific Air Forces Best Fuel Flight for 2019, and is one of three bases considered to win the American Petroleum Institute Award, an award given to the best fuels team in the U.S. Air Force. Andersen was one of the U.S. Pacific Air Forces to award the fuels team with the P-RTB and won the award.

Airman 1st Class Devlin Hubbard (left) and Senior Airman Chad Tibbitts, both 36th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels distribution operators, prepare to fuel a KC-135 StratoTanker during Exercise Cape North 20 at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Feb. 26, 2020. The 36th LRS won the Pacific Air Forces Best Fuel Flight for 2019, and is one of three bases considered to win the American Petroleum Institute Award, an award given to the best fuels team in the U.S. Air Force. Cape North 20 is an annual U.S. Pacific Air Forces Iatral field training exercise with participants from the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF) and the Royal Australian Air Force. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Michael S. Murphy)
Capturing the moment:
From one start to a new beginning

By Senior Airman Darien Perez
51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

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OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea – The 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade’s current color guard boasts an all-female roster, and it was originally conceived and formed by the outgoing Command Sergeant Major, Wilfredo Suarez, to emboldly and emulate the strong female image of St. Barbara, the patron saint of artillerymen. Their first assignment and performance was Jan. 16, during the 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade’s annual St. Barbara’s Ball.

The crowd stood at attention as the color guard approached and marched out in front of the audience echoing the start of the military ceremony. With impeccable precision and timing, they placed the national, host nation, and unit flags into the flag stand base. Their performance was crisp, and each movement was on point.

The color guard Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge, SFC Aaron Johns said, “It’s a proud moment. I always love the way it looks; they were very professional and precise, and when you’re looking at something like that, you’re looking at the soldiers and you’re proud of their dedication to the assignment which they were given. It gives you a sense of satisfaction that you did your duty as an NCO.”

The color guard’s most recent assignment was during 35th ADA BDE’s Change of Responsibility ceremony. During his farewell speech, Command Sergeant Major Suarez praised the color guard on their outstanding performance.

The group of all female soldiers may only have been assembled a few months ago, but their discipline and dedication has produced a color guard whose members are proud of their important contribution to the unit and what it signifies.

Sgt. Tekeisha Edwards, member of the color guard says: “It really shows that it does not have a limit to what females can or cannot do. Everyone has the perception that females cannot do certain things because males are generally stronger. However, having an all-female color guard motivates and encourages other formations.”

During the month of March, notable women throughout history may be quoted, exhibited, and admired, but history is still being made every day. It’s in this display of ability that the unit color helps foster a positive change.

The unit color guard stand with the new brigade Command Sergeant Major, CSM Raymond J. Bell, during the 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade’s recent change of responsibility ceremony. The all-female color guard challenges the perception of strength, and helps foster positive change. Soldiers are capable of fulfilling their duties with drive and determination, regardless of gender or size. Opportunities to showcase such displays, based on discipline and merit, are a welcome sight. (U.S Army photo by Staff Sgt. Jesse Untalan)

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Flight provides vital support to entire continent

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Yokota Air Base, Japan – One small unit has the extensive mission of providing support services over a 76.5 million square mile territory.

As an active-duty service member who has spent 17 years serving overseas, U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Tony Sachau, 357th Support Flight Commander, can detail the unique challenges of being assigned in Australia.

"Most of the time when we’re at an overseas location there’s a U.S. military installation that can provide internal services to get a member’s finances squared away, their household goods shipped and their privately owned vehicles brought in," Sachau said.

That’s where the 357th ASUF comes in to provide individuals, families and leadership with services, policy guidance and morale-enhancing programs.

"There’s a lot that goes on in Australia that sometimes people aren’t familiar with or it gets overlooked, and it’s great to be able to support these individuals," Sachau said.

U.S. service members in Australia perform a wide range of missions across the continent. On the north coast Marines rotate in for 6 months of every year to train as a part of the Marine Rotational Force-Darwin. To the west at the Loomis Solar Observatory Airmen keep an eye to the sky to monitor solar activity, and assigned to Australian units across the country from all branches service as exchange officers participating in the Department of Defense’s personal exchange program.

"We are the lifeline for those individuals," explains Air Force Master Sgt. Alondra Bayless, 357th ASUF superintendent. "We have a vital role in keeping the missions going in Australia, and without someone like my finance troop paying their electricity or other bills, their mission can’t keep going."

The 357th ASUF provides not only vital financial support but also legal, educational, medical, logistical and administrative support.

With their service needs met, Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers and Marines are able to keep their focus on the mission and strengthening the U.S.-Australian partnership.

"Since WWII net troops and their troops have fought together," the U.S. Ambassador to Australia, Arthur B. Culvahouse Jr details. "They have supported us in every major conflict and have fought together," the U.S. Ambassador to Australia, Mr. Culvahouse said.

"It was totally awesome to get the opportunity to go to the UFC Training Center and train with Dustin Porier, Forrest Griffin and Stephen Thompson," Bayless said. "We were able to hear their stories of past fights, how they came up and some of their challenges they’ve faced.

"The goal from this opportunity was for the U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service to strengthen their partnership with the UFC, which provided the Airmen and Sailors of the Indo-Pacific the chance to connect on a professional level with some of the top UFC fighters. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Denise M. Jenson)"

Tours of liquid support for entire continent

In January 2020, the Las Vegas native was one of nine U.S. Air Force special warfare and combat support Airmen to receive an opportunity to visit the Ultimate Fighting Championship Training Center. During this visit he was able to meet and train with some of the top UFC fighters.

"Took my first fight on a seven hour notice" "The adrenaline and excitement overcomes you before you start throwing fists. And it’s all very real. These dudes are straight up trying to knock your head off."

"As soon as the bell rang, Bunkley’s nervous feeling faded away. He was certain of what he could do and how he could defeat his opponent.

"Very quickly, I realized this guy’s striking was a lot better than mine," Bunkley said. "I was getting hit over and over, but I just kept watching him looking for my edge. When I had the chance, I took him to the mat. It was over. I knew that’s where I had him. From there, every round I took him down.

The years of high school wrestling and jiu jitsu paid off for Bunkley in this match, which came down to the very end.

"I played my strength," Bunkley said. "I was tactical about the fight and it all came down to the judge’s decision. Standing there felt like forever for them to announce the winner. And with a unanimous decision, they raised my arm in victory."
As we approach the 70th anniversary of the start of the Korean War, we often go back into history to view elements in publications to see how things were seen at that time. Viewing issues of Stars and Stripes is always a good place to start. However, there are ways to tell history that are not always considered at first glances. While many historians may look at the articles, there is more that may be gleaned. To that end one need only look at the other part of Stripes for interest: the cartoons.

The cartoons drawn for the paper were unique in that they were illustrated by, and for, military readers. These cartoons often told of incidents or inside jokes that an outsider might not readily “get” at first glance. The cartoons which graced the pages of Stars and Stripes were eventually reproduced into a book published in 1945, entitled Out of Line. These cartoons often showed the newly created Air Force in their transition phase. As 7th Air Force Historian James D’Angina recently noted, there was a sudden need for propeller driven aircraft, and this seemingly insignificant detail played into the new service and its combat in Korea. This new mission also played into the cartoons produced.

Perhaps the most renowned of the cartoonists from this era was Glenn Troubstrip. While he was stationed at Clark Air Base in the Philippines, his work did center on the combat of Korea (in the cartoon “Joy in the Night”) while his other cartoon “Thurlow,” centered on an airman who was a bit of a fool. Thurlow was a character modeled on Stan Baker’s “Sad Sack” from the WII magazine YANK.

Thurlow often was used in such a way to relay use of air power. Several of the cartoons dealt with the severance of a bomber’s tail, with a tail or waist gunner still at his station, seemingly unaware of the pending danger from the damage. Another cartoon that featured Thurlow was that he was hired to be a jet mechanic but must adjust to the influx of propeller driven aircraft needed for close air support. Thurlow was chagrined to note an arrow shot into the emblem on the side of his plane.

Tech Sergeant John Kennedy of the Fifth Air Force was another cartoonist who published his work on the Air Force. One cartoon shows a P-51 taking off while the security forces are commenting that all they have to do is hide it to make sure it’s secure when the pilot comes back. The second cartoon noted close air support where the USAF hit targets “Oh you sweetheart!”

Finally, a cartoon signed by Sellel and Mayer (no first names given) demonstrated in visual form another unique aspect of Korea: the need for reservists and veterans – as well as previously mentioned propeller aircraft for close air support. This cartoon in particular noted that the obviously old – through his Rip Van Winkle beard, and flying a bi-plane – pilot flies by two jets. One jet pilot noted to the other “must be another reservist”.

While these cartoons made light of the situations that all equipment, reservists, rookies and the new branch of the government, the cartoons still resonate with the reader. While many of these cartoons have been lost to time or a wide variety of other media, the mere fact that they exist and are items of history from the Korean War are of importance. And for that we should relive the past.
**Brothers in Arms, at Home**

By Senior Airman Zachary Heal

36th Wing Public Affairs

**ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam** — “There are a couple of moments in your life that you know that you will remember for the rest of your life,” said Lt. Col. Antonio Rodriguez, a 56th Expeditionary Refueling Squadron pilot. “Getting married, graduating from college, the birth of my four kids, and so on. This will definitely be one of those moments.”

Although many military members have a sibling or cousin who are also in the armed forces, not many get the opportunity to work directly with them to complete the mission. Often times, two family members aren’t even stationed on the same side of the world, and would consider themselves lucky to be at the same location working together.

At Cope North 2020, that’s exactly what the Rodriguez brothers happened.

At Cope North 2020, Lt. Col. Antonio Rodriguez began in 1994, when Julio was accepted into the Air Force Academy and then eventually, pilot training. Following in Julio’s footsteps into the Air Force, Antonio decided to join the ROTC program to pay for his college costs.

“I don’t think I would be here if it weren’t for Julio,” said Antonio. “He is my hero and it has been great to follow in his footsteps. He’s a good example to me how to carry yourself and be a professional aviator.”

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“It’s been a great experience serving with my brother,” Julio continued. “I’ve always thought that my younger brother is a better man and leader than I could be as he was being groomed for greatness in the active duty.”

Another thing that made this event even more unique is Julio’s upcoming retirement in June, making this likely the only and final opportunity for these brothers to fly together.

“I always knew this day was on the horizon,” expressed Antonio, “but seeing him retiring is going to be emotional quite frankly. He is my older brother and my mentor. Every step of my career I have talked to him about what to do next and received guidance from him.”

While his days of mentoring, teaching, and leading Airmen might be winding down, Julio’s days of flying and teaching are far from over as he is married with four kids.

“I will miss the capacity to work and lead Airmen. An airman might be the only and final opportunity for these brothers to fly together,” reflected Julio. “I will kind of miss the unknown of what will happen or where we will go next. I will miss doing the job on TDY’s or deployments. I won’t miss the time I have to give up with my family. My family has always been my primary priority and it is important to me to spend as much time as possible with them.”


**Opportunity. It’s kind-of an emotional thing. Not only are we involved in a family experience that we can always talk about, but we are taking place in an activity that very few nations in the world can put together, the movement of combat [air]power wherever, wherever!”**

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**Candle Safety**

According to U.S. Fire Administration, on average, 42 home candle fires are reported every day. Most of these fires are caused by the misuse of candles within the home or workplace. Remember, candle fires are preventable! Candles are a nice way to relax after a long day but anytime an open flame is present, there is always a risk of a potential house fire. So, be sure to not place any flammable material on or near a burning candle.

Candles & Home Fire Safety Tips:
- Consider using battery-operated or electric flameless candles and fragrance warmers, which can look, smell and feel like real candles – without the flame.
- If you do use candles, ensure they are in sturdy metal, glass or ceramic holders and placed where they cannot be easily knocked down.
- Avoid using candles in bedrooms and sleeping areas.
- Extinguish candles before and after going to bed.
- Keep candles at least 12 inches from anything that can burn.
- Keep candles out of the reach of children and pets.
- Children should never be allowed to play with matches, lighters or candles.
- Never use a candle where medical oxygen is being used. The two can combine to create a large, unexpected fire.
- Always use a flashlight – not a candle – for emergency lighting.
- Never put candles on a Christmas tree.
- And NEVER leave burning candles unattended!

According to PM WMT 32–2001, Para 6.15.2.2 (2009 Edition) states that the use of candles, incense, or other open flame devices is prohibited in all base buildings excluding MFH. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Fire Prevention Office at 784-4832/4875.

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**OSAN CITY’S ENGLISH PROGRAM FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS**

As part of the Good Neighbor Program, 7th AF Public Affairs has been supporting the conversational English program organized by the Osan City Mayor for middle school children in Osan City. The program is in need of volunteers who will assist and teach conversational English to the students for the 2020 first semester. The program occurs every Thursday from 2 April 2020 to 23 July 2020. Transportation is provided from Checkertails at 1540 and will return 1830 each Thursday. If you are interested in this “Adopt-A-School English Tutoring Program,” please contact 7 AF PA Ms. Yong Suk via email yong_suk.yom.kr@us.af.mil or DSN 784-4724, cell phone 610-4739-7979.

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**The Crossword**

The Crossword by Jon Dunbar

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- KUNSAN PHOTO CLUB - Interested in sharing your photography experience with others and exploring Korea along the way? Have a camera, but want to learn how to use it more completely? Then join the Kunsan Photo Club as they delve into the finer qualities of photography where the key concept is “It’s not the camera that makes a great photo, but the photographer.” If interested in joining, the group can be found on Facebook, just search for “Kunsan Photo Club.”

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- IG Complaints - IG Complaints - The Air Force is committed to ensuring a culture of respect and integrity. If you have concerns about how the Air Force has treated you, you can file an IG complaint. The IG is an independent and objective arm of the Department of the Air Force that conducts investigations into allegations of wrongdoing, misconduct, and disparities in treatment.

- Chaplain - Chaplain - The Chaplain Office provides spiritual support, assistance, and access to spiritual care for Air Force personnel, their families, and other authorized beneficiaries.

- OSAN YOUTH SPORTS & INTRAMURAL SPORTS - Osan’s Youth Sports and Intramural Sports offer a wide range of activities for Osan community members, including sports, fitness, and cultural programs. Qualified personnel are responsible for participant recruitment and organizing events. To learn about upcoming events and programs, please visit the Osan Education Center Facebook page or contact the Osan Education Center directly.

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- Volunteering - Volunteer opportunities - We have a tutoring opportunity for grade school to junior high school students, on base, for all subjects, especially technology, science, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). In order to be a volunteer, applicants would have to complete a coach/volunteer application and background check. Interested participants can get additional information at our “Ozan AB Tutoring” Group on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/groups/OzanABcoaches/). We meet every Wednesday & Thursday from 1130-1300 at the Base USO.

- U.S. YOUTH MIA & GREG READERS: Interested in volunteering for the Osan Youth Sports and Intramural Sports programs? Qualified personnel are responsible for participant recruitment and organizing events. To learn about upcoming events and programs, please visit the Osan Education Center Facebook page or contact the Osan Education Center directly.

- GO GIRLS OK SK Run: Sit/Walk/Run to finish off the season of the Go Girls! Go running club (3rd-5th grade). Come out to join them, get a great workout in, and get more and more sheet! We are also looking for volunteers for the water stations and road guards.

- OSAH BASE HONOR GUARD “TO SILENCE WITH DIGNITY”: Are you motivated, dedicated to excellent service, and want to be a part of the sharpest? If the answer is yes, the OAH Honor Guard Team welcomes you! You are free to practice every Tues & Thurs at 1030. VOLUNTEERS FOR TEAM OSAH INNOVATION EFFORT: Our Innovation Team is seeking volunteers to become council members who are eager to take the OAH Innovation effort to the next level. Email OAH for list of open positions/descriptions.

- VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Osan Elementary School needs 100+ volunteers to host stations during Field Day on May 22. The first planning meeting will occur on February 28th and all volunteers should reach out by Feb 7 to sign up.

- DOWN RANGE DEPLOYMENT DONATIONS: Red Cross will be hosting a Carnival Event and are looking for Volunteers. Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/?nd=vms_public_form&form_id=7469.


- SPRING PONG TOURNAMENT - To participate, fill out the registration form and visit the Osan Education Center Facebook page for more information.

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Capt. Kristin Wolfe, F-35A Lightning II Demonstration Team pilot and commander flies during a demonstration of the Air Force Heritage Flight Training Course at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., Feb. 29, 2020. The Heritage Flight Training Course is a training course for all single-ship aerial demonstration teams prior to the upcoming summer air show season. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Cody Trimble)
to right the wrong and make the perpetrators pay. In the face of potential problems, we gear up for a war-like confrontation to defeat whatever obstacles oppose us. We immediately view the other as the enemy.

Sometimes this approach is effective because the outrage or indignation we shoulder like shields is overwhelming. In such cases, decisive action—which may or may not always be the best course of action—is efficient. It’s hard to argue when there is no discussion.

In members of the military community, battles are inseparable and our ability to wage effective battles against our enemies is key to global freedom. We stand "ready to fight tonight" because we know that sometimes war is the only option. But one thing war has taught us is that lion-like confrontation comes at a cost. Infrastructure and resources are damaged and depleted. Bridges, ammunition, energy reserves and currency are burned or expended to obtain that outcome. In a military campaign or in our personal lives, battles are costly. Whether we burned bridges across rivers or relationships, whether the ammunition spent is guns or goodwill, whether our energy reserves are oil-based or caffeine-based or whether the currency we use is our cash or our camaraderie, once the battle ends, we are left with less.

Not every problem we face must be met with the same battle strategy. The greatest military personnel know how to minimize costs and casualties. Problems in our personal lives might best be solved using a different approach.

Last month, we recalled how Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. encouraged the expression of love. I wonder if most of our personal battles could be avoided by carrying February’s lessons across the months and years and into this world. Dr. King spoke about the ways we engage with our disappointments and conflicts during his Nobel Prize acceptance speech in December of 1964. He said, "Man must evolve for all human conflict a method which rejects revenge, aggression and retaliation. The foundation of such a method is love." Love is not weakness or timidity. Dr. King was no pushover; he was not silent. In fact most, if not all, of the people honored with the Nobel Peace Prize had spines of steel that refused to bend or break in the tempests that assailed them. The key to their success and the means to their victories were in their battle strategies. They identified the ultimate goals and let obstacles slide off like raindrops in a springtime storm.

Love is the umbrella that can help us weather all kinds of fair and foul; whether or not we get a good assignment, whether or not we get the promotion or award, whether we get our sympathetic customer service or medical referral, whether the powers that be and the stars that align deign to grant us what we want.

Loves lets us look at our friends, colleagues, commanders and children with patience and understanding. It also enables us to perceive the commonalities and dignity of those who we interact with in our personal lives. Love lets us face our fears with logic and insight. It helps us to trust in our own ability to overcome our difficulties without draining ourselves. Love lets us identify the ultimate goals for our lives and gives us actionable steps to achieve them. Be patient when conflict arises, be kind to those you interact with, be humble, trust that you will succeed, protect those who stand with you and stay strong.

For winter always yields to warmer weather. By April, the gentleness of the sun melts the ice on the mountains and its rays coax new life from the resilient planet. Spring, a season personified by peaceful lambs, shows us that love is a viable battle plan. Love can overcome adversity.

When the tribulations of March press upon us and their cruel threats to drown out everything else, remember that the bluster will abate and troubles are temporary, but love never ends.

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The dark night suddenly becomes bright as the lights flicker on. The instructors give a job well done and critiques inside the flight simulator where they TACP’s train.

The 607th Air Support Operations Group is home to one of the most immersive training simulators in the Air Force. Inside the pitch black dome the simulator can replicate any air field in the world or any scenario imaginable plastered on a panoramic screen.

“When you step into the sim, you have to come in with the same mentality that you’re doing this with live air craft,” said Tech. Sgt. Scott Snider, 607th ASOG weapons and tactic, NCO in-charge. “The simulator allows us to train to a real-time environment for downrange operations. It allows us to conduct moving target missions, to spot aircraft and helps us simulate exactly what we are doing downrange in a controlled environment, which is very difficult to do when you’re not actually there.”

Some training sessions can last from 4 hours to one or two days depending on the operator’s skill level and the complexity of the scenario that has been given to them. The simulator helps TACP Airmen hone their skills while getting instant feedback by instructors in their career field.

Along with being in front of a screen, the training allows for users to use real operational equipment they would need to conduct a successful mission and also allows for the user to get hit by enemy fire.

Although the training is done in a virtual environment, the virtual aspect is continuing to change and evolve as time progresses.

“The current simulator we have has made leaps and bounds from what we used to have,” said Master Sgt. Cole Waterbury, 607th ASOG operations superintendent. “To say the original Nintendo is what the original simulators looked like is pretty close. It was a flat screen projected on the wall and it didn’t really have a lot of options. With this new one we are capable of doing a lot more things with it, and provide a lot more realistic training.”

No matter what the training, these Airmen are always ready to adapt to the situation and what obstacles stand in their way, and it is no small part to the state of the art training they receive.
Dr. Kim has written numerous publications in his areas of expertise, including a recent textbook chapter: Orthodontics Basic Aspects and clinical considerations.

Dr. Kim is a member of the American Association of Orthodontists, the Illinois Dental Society, the Chicago Dental Society, the Chicago Orthodontic Study Club, and the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He is also a member of the Illinois State Dental Association and the American Dental Association.

Dr. Kim received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago, his Master of Science degree in Dental Science from the University of Pennsylvania, and his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago. He completed his residency in orthodontics at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Kim is a native of Korea. He came to the United States to study orthodontics and has been practicing orthodontics in Illinois for over 15 years. He is dedicated to providing the highest quality care to his patients and is committed to continuing education in the field of orthodontics.

Dr. Kim's practice is located in the Ivy League Educated & Tricare Approved Preferred Provider Dental Program. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics and a Fellow of the American College of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He is also a member of the Illinois State Dental Association and the American Dental Association.

Dr. Kim is known for his dedication to his patients and his commitment to providing the best possible care. He is committed to using the latest technology and techniques to ensure that his patients receive the best possible care. He is also dedicated to continuing education and staying up-to-date with the latest developments in the field of orthodontics.

Dr. Kim's practice is located at 123 Main Street, Suite A, Chicago, IL 60606. He can be reached at (312) 555-1234. He is also available for appointments online at www.Ivydental.com.

Dr. Kim has been married for 10 years and is the proud father of two children. He enjoys spending time with his family and playing tennis. He is a member of the Ivy League Educated and Tricare Approved Preferred Provider Dental Program and is dedicated to providing the best possible care to his patients.
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Travel

As our daily life changes, the way we see and appreciate art changes with it. While there are many cultural spaces in Seoul to enjoy art, a few new locations skyrocketed to fame in 2019. Offering dynamic exhibitions and plenty of photo spots perfect for social media, people flock to these museums and galleries. What’s even better, they all have free admission! If you haven’t visited already, consider adding one of these new locations to your itinerary!

▲ Seoul Urban Life Museum

Seoul Urban Life Museum brings new life to Seoul Bukbu Legal Complex, the previous site of the northern region’s court and prosecutor’s office. Exhibition halls spread throughout three floors showcase all aspects of life in Seoul from 1945 and onwards. The museum offers audio guides in English, Japanese, and Chinese, making it easy for all guests to enjoy. One of the most unique aspects of this museum is the Detention Center exhibition, where visitors can try on prisoner or guard uniforms from the past and take funny pictures together.

• Address: 27, Dongil-ro 174-gil, Nowon-gu, Seoul
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▲ Jeongdong 1928 Art Center

Jeongdong 1928 Art Center is located along Droikucsong Doldamgil Road. Built in 1928, it was originally used by the Salvation Army for officer training and missionary work. These days, it serves as an exhibition and performance space. The first floor, previously an officer dormitory, has been transformed into the café Heyda. The café is decorated with vintage walls and interior, and plants for a unique atmosphere. The central area features an accordion and chairs upholstered in red velvet for a modern history vibe that translates well in photos. The exhibition space also became a hot spot after it was visited by Rap Monster of BTS.

• Address: 130, Droikucsong-gil, Jung-gu, Seoul
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▲ Donuimun Museum Village

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Seoul’s Newest Art & Culture Attractions

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Ramses graduated from the academy Dec. 5, 2019, earning the Distinguished Honor Graduate Award, Valedictorian, Top Shotooter; and Top Defensive Driver in the Emergency Vehicles Operations Course. During his valedictorian speech he shared laughter from the audience and his peers, intertwining humor in his recap of some of the training.

While he was in the academy, his daughter was born and his goals shifted to focus on what is best for his wife and daughter.

“Before I had my daughter, I was going-b, 100 percent, I'm staying in the military no matter what and this is all I want to do,” Ramses said. “When my wife was five or six months pregnant, I was sent on temporary duty to Guam for three weeks, which was great training. But my wife was in Alaska and our entire family is back in Florida and Georgia.”

He has already planned out different options.

“Take it as a chess player,” Villapando said. “He definitely thinks about everything he does. He’s smart with his money, mature, methodical, organized. He teaches out for advice.”

Ramses currently has two things on his mind: commissioning in the Air Force and hoping to get placed back in Security Forces, or staying in Alaska to work for the police department.

“I know in the military, you have to make sacrifices,” Ramses said. “But becoming a commissioned officer you could impact more people than you could enlisted, because you’d have a further reach. I could make a thousand people’s lives better. That goes back to being a police officer, too. Now you have an entire city you could help out.”

When asked what he considers his greatest accomplishment in life, Ramses said he would rather recognize his mother and everything she did to bring him to this country, raising him and teaching him to be dedicated to his studies. Without her, he said he wouldn’t be where he is today.

She’s the one who made that choice, she made that sacrifice of leaving her mother behind, her brothers and sisters, to make a better life for me,” Ramses said. “She came here and worked so my life could be better.”

Even though he grew up away from his extended family, bad to learn a new language and moved frequently, Ramses views what he went through as something that gave him strength rather than a struggle because it taught him to work hard for what he wants. Some people might see it as, ‘Some guy went through that stuff,’ but I see it as a strength,” Ramses said. “Fighting for everything I have made me dedicated to my goals. It motivated me to never have to live like that again, motivated me to never have my daughter have to go through that.”

His humble strength doesn’t go unnoticed.

“He doesn’t look back and say, ‘Oh I came from a poor family, from a poor neighborhood,’” Villapando said. “He has become this Airman serving in the world’s greatest Air Force and he keeps doing great things.”

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U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Ramses Alfonso (center), 673d Security Forces Squadron lead patrolman, stands in at the Anchorage Police Department 15-1 Academy graduation in Anchorage, Alaska, Dec. 5, 2019. Alfonso earned the Distinguished Honor Graduate Award, Class Valedictorian, Top Shotooter, and Top Defensive Driver in the Emergency Vehicles Operations Course. The partnership between the squadron and the Anchorage Police Department provides Alfonso with a clearer understanding of municipal police procedures as well as builds contacts with all partner law enforcement agencies who participate in the academy.

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