

The HawgByte

November 2019

Welcome to the Wing!

MXS

Tech. Sgt. Frederick Bower
Airman 1st Class Zane Heiter
Senior Airman Ryan England

AMXS

Airman 1st Class Connor Burson

MDS

Senior Airman Alicia Bland

OSF

Tech. Sgt. Jacquette Porter

LRS

Airman 1st Class Marquel Harris
Airman 1st Class Elkana Kosgei

CES

Staff Sgt. Adam Emery

SFS

Tech. Sgt. Francis Sands

303 FS

Senior Airman Ashley Falefitu



PILOT AWARDED DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS RECOUNTS EVENTS IN AFGHANISTAN

In the early morning hours on December 2, 2010, two A-10 Thunderbolt II pilots with the 75th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron, launched out of Kandahar Air Base, Afghanistan, heading west to keep watch over ground forces.

Capt. John "Sapper" Tice, now a major and flight commander with the 303d FS, and Capt. Mike "Balz" Stock knew heavy Taliban activity emanated from the region they were heading towards—the Helmand River Valley.

"That area in 2010 and 2011, we dropped about half of our ordinance in about a 5 mile circle around that point," Tice said about the valley. "It was a significant insurgent hotbed to say the least."

On that day, military engineers worked to build a bridge across a canal and since contact with the Taliban was likely, two Army Special Forces teams were with them to provide cover.

"The special forces guys knew that area pretty well," said Tice. "They knew there were spotters in the area who were coordinating with the local militants."

An interpreter on the team listened to local radio traffic and picked up cues that they were being watched, recalled Tice. After learning this, the joint terminal attack controller, whose job is to direct airstrikes and keep the ground and air forces in communication, gave the pilots certain areas for them to monitor.

To see the full article copy and paste this url in your browser <https://www.442fw.afrc.af.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/2005892/pilot-awarded-distinguished-flying-cross-recounts-events-in-afghanistan/>



UTA EVENTS: SATURDAY

0800

442d AMXS Change of Command in the 5-Bay

1000

Commander's Call in the 5-Bay

1530

Presentation of Distinguished Flying Crosses in the 5-Bay

SUNDAY

0200

Day Light Savings Time ends. Set clock back 1 hour.

0800

Exercise Ozark Thunder 20-1 begins

TUESDAY

2330

End Exercise OT 20-1

Want your event in the HawgByte? Send us an email 442fw.pa@us.af.mil



PROMOTIONS:

Senior Master Sgt.

Devontay Williams, 442 SFS

Master Sgt.

William Reilly, 442 LRS
Ronald Knox, 442 MDS
Derrick Caldwell, 442 MXS
Luke Morgan, 303 FS

Tech. Sgt.

Bryan Grillo 442 AMXS
Ashley Stewart, 442 MDS
Calvin Washington, 442 MDS

Staff Sgt.

Jacob Messer, 442 AMXS
Robert Cochran, 442 MXS

MYPAY LES ACCESS

I'm not thinking about taxes-- *you're* thinking about taxes. But, since you've mentioned it, if you need to print off copies of the last 12 months of LESs, get started before the new year while the last 12 months of LESs are easily accessible on MyPay.



FACEBOOK LIVE FOR AGR PROGRAM CHANGES

The AGR Management Team will be hosting three Facebook Live for AGR Program Changes sessions. Each offering will be 30 min targeted sessions:

- Nov 6th – All current AGRs or those interested to become an AGR,
- Nov 13th – Wing FSS, Nov 20th

– Wing Leadership/Supervisors or AGRs from 1200-1230 (EST). To participate, go to <https://www.facebook.com/HQARPC/> prior to the start time. The briefing will be streamed in real time and a select few questions submitted during the FB Live event will be answered during the event. All questions submitted will be answered in the comments section to view at a later date. If you would like to submit a question to be addressed during the FB Live, email HQ ARPC Public Affairs at arpc.pa@us.af.mil.

PREVENT AROWS-R LOCKOUT

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DIAMOND SHARP

Congratulations to Tech. Sgt. Andrew Flores, 442d Civil Engineer Squadron, for receiving the Diamond Sharp Award for November.