



STAFF SGT. MICHAEL O'CONNOR

Beatin' the heat

Senior Master Sgt. Steven Kelly, 447th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron fire chief gets soaked by Senior Master Sgt. Michael Miller, 447th ECES superintendent, who offered up a donation of \$10 for the honors. Both are Arctic Warriors who are deployed to Iraq, and are raising money for the chaplaincy program during one of the many activities planned for Fire Safety Week.



■ Tech. Sgt. George Rice, Tech. Sgt. Trent Spangler, Staff Sgt. Dennis Blomquist, Staff Sgt. Leah Mathewson, Senior Airman Casey Abare, Senior Airman Russ Wilkinson, and Mr. Jeff Eychaner, a team from the 703rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and 962nd Aircraft Maintenance unit radar section, acted to solve a long-standing problem in one of Elmendorf's aircraft.

The team was successful in isolating a persistent radar wiring problem, which plagued an aircraft for more than 10 years.

The team worked several shifts each day, inspecting the radar wiring with a high-powered magnifying glass and flashlights to identify the bad wire.

Following more than two months of painstaking in-flight troubleshooting and ground investigation, the problem was finally identified as a faulty connection in the circuit card wiring.

The team's expertise, as well as outstanding dedication to duty and teamwork, helped to ensure the unit's continuous improvement and success in its operations.

■ This week's commander's shadow is **Staff Sgt. Jomar Rivera**, 3rd Equipment Maintenance Squadron.

Action Line



Col. Michael Snodgrass
3rd Wing Commander

Do you have a problem you can't seem to get solved? Would you like to recognize someone for a job well done?

The commander's action line is your avenue to communicate your questions, comments and concerns directly to the commander, Col. Michael Snodgrass. Your calls will get the commander's personal attention and be answered in a timely manner.

If you have a question, call or e-mail the action line at:

552-2224

actionline@elmendorf.af.mil

The following commanders stand ready to help you and can answer the majority of your questions. If they can't help, then please call the Action Line.

Key phone numbers:

- Lt. Col. Christopher Thelen, 3rd CES/CC
552-3007
- Maj. David Aupperle, 3rd SVS/CC
552-2468
- Maj. Robert Garza, 3rd SFS/CC
552-4304

RVs in housing

Q: It's my understanding that recreational vehicles aren't to be parked in housing areas, and there are alternative places for people to park their RVs. However, I have requested the Aurora Housing Office to handle a situation on four different occasions regarding the same person.

When I first went to the office, they stated that all they could do was give the individual a warning. I let them know that I was concerned for the safety of our kids because, as we all know, kids are curious and they were all over the trailer. Is this a safe environment for our children? I asked this of the office and they again stated that there isn't much they can do. So,

the trailer still sits. Security Forces doesn't like to get involved because it's privatized housing. I am coming to you for support and to see if there is anything that can be done to resolve this issue once and for all.

Thank you.

A: Thank you for your inquiry about regulations regarding RV parking. We want to provide a safe and aesthetically pleasing place for our families to live. Section "D" on page 21 of the Privatized Housing Guide addresses how the RV policies will continue to be enforced (as you know, the privatized housing contract was signed Oct. 1). They mirror current base policies and will continue to be enforced by both Security Forces and Aurora Housing.

I do not believe Security Forces doesn't like to get involved because it is privatized housing. I have previously instructed both the housing office and Security Forces to strictly enforce these guidelines on more than one occasion.

For our RV owners, Services has opened a new RV parking area behind the current DRMO facility, off Vandenberg Avenue before the Davis Highway intersection. Now that this area is open, RV owners should have their vehicles parked in authorized storage. Base residents who do not comply with the RV parking policies and procedures will be ticketed. Failure to abide by base housing regulations is grounds for removing offenders from base housing.

Time to fall back

Arctic Warriors are reminded to set their clocks back one hour!

Daylight savings time begins at 2 a.m.

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3rd Wing Moment in History



Oct. 20, 1920:

The Black Wolf Squadron returned to Mitchell Field from Wrangell, Alaska, covering 9,329 miles with an average speed of 81.83 mph, flying the DH-4 aircraft.