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*We will not tire We will not falter We will not fail*

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## The Cauthen Legacy

By Staff Sgt. Teri Eicher, 134th ARW Public Affairs Specialist

MCGHEE TYSON AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Tenn. (July 31, 2018) - After seven years as wing commander and 34 years as a member at the 134th Air Refueling Wing, Col. Thomas Cauthen is moving on to serve at the state level.

Cauthen joined the 134th ARW in 1984 while he was still attending the University of Tennessee as a civil engineering student. After finishing flight school and his bachelor's degree, he spent three years, as he puts it, 'traveling the world as a Guard bum.'

After completing a tour during Desert Storm, he gained full time technician status as the scheduling chief of current operations. Throughout his career he continued to take on additional roles: from flight commander to 151st squadron commander, Operations Group commander, then Maintenance Group commander, leading to five years as vice wing commander before he took on the highest command role in the 134th. Cauthen said that leadership wasn't necessarily something he planned to do, but was a duty he felt compelled to shoulder.

"Stepping up to leadership is something you do because you have a sense of obligation to the unit," Cauthen explained. "Rather than aspire to be a commander and be in charge, it's more like a challenge that you feel the responsibility to accept."

When asked for his thoughts on leadership, Cauthen reflected on lessons learned.

"I've learned a lot about leadership as wing commander, but no matter what level you are, you always have to be able to follow as well as lead," Cauthen said. "Leadership is not running around telling people what to do, it's asking them what you can do to help them. You serve the people you're leading."

Cauthen credits his father, Mel Cauthen, with leading him to a career in the military. His father joined the 134th ARW in 1958 and served until 1983, one year before Cauthen joined the unit. He values the experience

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134th Air Refueling Wing Commander, Col. Thomas S. Cauthen, official biography photo. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Kendra Owenby)





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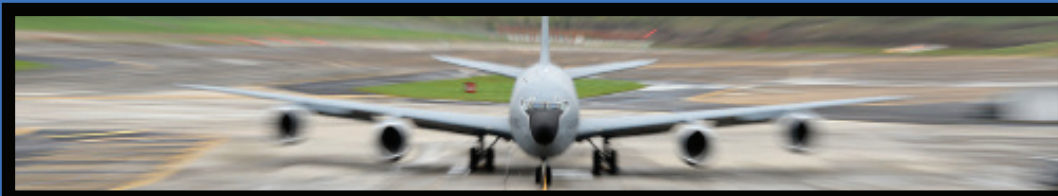
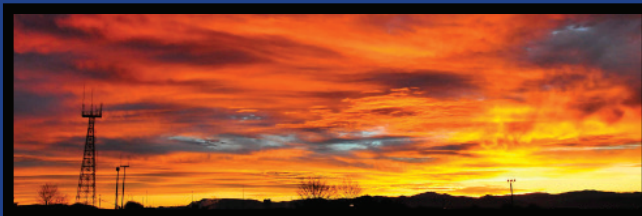
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(U.S. Air National Guard photos by Senior Master Sgt. Kendra Owenby and Tech. Sgt. Daniel Gagnon, 134th ARW Public Affairs)



(Cauthen cont. from pg. 1)

he received at the side of founding members of the wing, many of whom were still serving in 1984.

"The work ethic is strong here, and there's a good sense of family. Our people have a desire and a willingness to do what's necessary to be the best, and that's the foundation established by the original members of our wing. Even though we adapt and grow, we keep the core values that make this guard unit great."

Cauthen will relinquish command on August 5 to Col. Lee Hartley. He will be moving on to Joint Force Headquarters in Nashville, Tenn., to serve as the Director of Staff, Air. Cauthen said he looks forward to the challenges of learning a new position, and hopes his ability to bring a wing perspective to a state level will allow him to benefit all three Air National Guard units in Tennessee. However, he admits moving on won't be easy.

"I've always been a member of the 134th," Cauthen explained, "So it's going to be an emotional moment when I pass that flag off and I'm no longer a member of the 134th. It's been an honor and a privilege to be a member of this wing."



2nd Lt. Thomas S. Cauthen (above), pauses for a photo with aircraft early in his flying career. (U.S. Air Force photo, unknown photographer) Photo left (from left to right) Col. Lee Hartley, vice commander, Col. Thomas Cauthen, commander, and Senior Master Sgt. Ronnie Dixon, boom operator celebrate after Cauthen's fini-flight. In a long-standing tradition, Col. Thomas Cauthen (lower left) is showered with ice water by the aircrew after his fini-flight on July 27. Col. Cauthen smiles at friends and family as he taxis a KC-135-R Stratotanker in for the last time during his fini-flight at McGheeTyson ANG Base on July 27. (U.S. Air National Guard photos by Tech. Sgt. Jonathan Young)







## Command Sgt. Maj. Kepner Visits McGhee Tyson ANG Base

Airmen at McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base recently had the honor to meet Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. Christopher Kepner. Kepner toured the facilities during the July unit training assembly, visiting with various Airmen across the base. He stated that he was excited to see future leaders being developed at the 134th Air Refueling Wing and the I.G. Brown Training and Education Center. Several Airmen were coined by the Command Sgt. Maj. during his visit. (U.S. Air National Guard photos by Staff Sgt. Ben Mellon and Airman 1st Class Kaylee Patterson)





## "Coolin' Off"



134th firefighters create a water arch for Col. Thomas Cauthen's KC135-R Stratotanker as he taxis in for the last time during his fini-flight at McGheeTyson ANG Base on July 27. The event is a tradition when a member of aircrew retire or move on. (U.S. Air National Guard photos by Tech. Sgt. Jonathan Young)

## WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY – 26 AUGUST 2018

*Sixty-sixth Congress of the United States of America;*

*At the First Session,*

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the nineteenth day of May,  
one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.*

### JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution extending the right of suffrage to women.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States.*

"ARTICLE ———.

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

"Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

*F. H. Lile*

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

*Thos. R. Marshall*

*Vice President of the United States and  
President of the Senate.*

Women's Equality Day commemorates the day when women in America were given full voting rights under the U.S. Constitution by the passage of the 19th Amendment. Established by Joint Resolution of Congress in 1919. Women's Equality Day calls attention to the continuing efforts by women toward full equality. Source and for additional information and facts go to: <https://deomi.org/SpecialObservance/SupportDOR.cfm>



# Knoxville Airmen train for debris removal

By Tech Sgt. Daniel Gagnon, 134th ARW Public Affairs Specialist

MCGHEE TYSON AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Tenn. (July 14, 2018) – Airmen from the 134th Civil Engineering Squadron seized a training opportunity when tasked with cutting down a large tree here, July 14.

The Airmen utilized one of their equipment kits known as a debris clearance kit to cut down and clear the mature and dying tree.

The kit contains all the equipment necessary to safely remove trees and debris. Included are two Kubota Skid Steers, two trailers, multiple chain saws, shovels, personal protective equipment, pavement cutter, and various hand tools.

Chief Master Sgt. Mike Dishman, 134th CES chief of operations, said that he wanted to get his Airmen experience and familiarization with the kit to help prepare them for the event of being called out in the aftermath of a hurricane, tornado, or fire.

Tech. Sgt. Joshua McKinzie, 134th CES water and fuels maintenance specialist was available to assist with training.

McKinzie said he has experience



Members of the 134th ARW Civil Engineer Squadron clear debris from a parking lot after cutting a tree at McGhee Tyson ANG Base, Tennessee, July 14, 2018. The Airmen used a debris clearing kit to complete the task. Senior Airman Cory Barton, a pavement and construction equipment technician works to clear brush with a skid steer. The heavy equipment was provided to the squadron as part of a debris clearance kit. (U.S. Air National Guard photos by Tech. Sgt. Daniel Gagnon)

working for a tree company on the civilian side, and was able to teach his fellow Airmen how to operate the equipment safely.

“My primary goal for the day was safety,” said McKinzie. “I wanted to make sure everybody knew and understood the capabilities and safety hazards that come with this kit.”

Also, on site during this training was Tech. Sgt.

Kevin Hair, 134th CES firefighter and emergency medical technician, in case an incident should arise.

“With a lot of people in a small space, a lot of heavy equipment, sharp objects, and chainsaws, something could go bad very quickly,” said Hair.

Although his office is only about a minute away, Hair emphasized that in a life threatening emergency, seconds count and that is why he wanted to be on site and available.

Utilizing these types of equipment kits greatly improves training effectiveness as it allows the Airmen to take on the tasks first hand with the kits they would be using if they were deployed to any location across the globe.







# Welcome Home Volunteers!



U.S. Air National Guard photos by Senior Master Sgt. Kendra Owenby & Staff Sgt. Teri Elcher, 134th ARW Public Affairs



# Force Development

"Knowledge Promotes Understanding, Understanding Promotes Teamwork, Teamwork Promotes Success"

## NCOA & SNCOA

The Distance Learning (DL) prerequisite is no longer required for NCOA and SNCOA. Those members wishing to attend in-residence courses can now do so without completing the distance learning portion.

Eligibility to Attend In-Residence PME:

- SNCOA – Must be a SMSgt or MSgt
- NCOA – TSgt
- ALS – A SSgt assessed from a sister service, or a SrA with a minimum of 36 months of satisfactory service
- Passing and current PT test

Those interested in attending NCOA & SNCOA in-residence must contact their Unit Training

## Testing Hours

Wednesdays & Fridays  
0800 & 1300

Drill Weekend – Saturday  
1300

Required Items for CDC Testing  
CDSAR Printout  
Completed Authorization to Test Form

Required Item for PME Testing  
Email or Printout from Air University

**\*\*Members MUST schedule testing through their Unit Training Managers\*\***

## In & Out Processing

Those attending Formal Training Schools must out-process with their Unit Training Managers and in-process with the Force Development Office, prior to and after attending school.

This ensures that members meet the requirements for attendance, issues can be resolved in a timely manner, and DTS authorizations and vouchers are completed.

For more information, please contact your Unit Training Manager.

## CCAF UPDATES:

To update your CCAF Web Progress Report, you must request a transcript from your civilian college and/or university and have that institution send it directly to CCAF. CCAF will not take transcripts from members or the Force Development Office.

Send Transcripts to:

CCAF/DESS  
100 South Turner Blvd  
Maxwell-Gunter AFB, AL 36114-3011

## Did You Know?

Did you know that updating your Education Level in vMPF is different than updating your CCAF web progress report? Did you know that you can easily update your education level by bringing an official transcript to the Force Development Office? If you have earned a degree from a civilian college and university, just stop by and bring your official transcript to have this placed in your record. And, you'll get your transcript back!



# RULES FOR TURF ATHLETIC FIELD USE

TO RESERVE THE ATHLETIC FIELD FOR NON-TEC TRAINING AND/OR SPORTS ACTIVITIES  
CONTACT [usaf.tn.angtec.mbx.campus-operations@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.tn.angtec.mbx.campus-operations@mail.mil)

1. THE ATHLETIC TURF IS APPROVED FOR USE FOR THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

- a. Physical conditioning/exercises
- b. Flag football
- c. Soccer
- d. Aerobics
- e. Military marching practice and drill activities

2. THE ATHLETIC TURF IS NOT APPROVED FOR USE FOR THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

- a. Golfing, putting, etc.
- b. Shot putting, javelin, discus throwing, etc.
- c. Tire flipping, athletic aleds, etc.
- d. Bicycles, skateboards, in-line skates

3. THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED ON THE ATHLETIC FIELD:

- a. Smoking
- b. Chewing tobacco
- c. Food/beverage/drinks (other than water)
- d. Chewing gum
- e. Sunflower seeds
- f. Muddy shoes
- g. Open flames
- h. Glass containers
- i. Generators (unless secondary containment is provided)
- j. Metal cleats & spikes

4. PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED.

5. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REMOVE SNOW AND ICE FROM THE TURF OR TRACK SURFACE.

6. DO NOT DRIVE STAKES/CORNER FLAGS INTO TURF OR TAPE OR PAINT ANY FIELD MARKINGS.

7. ONLY VEHICLES WITH PNEUMATIC TIRES ARE ALLOWED. >35 PSI ARE NOT ALLOWED.

a. PAR CARS & TENTS MAY BE USED AS NEEDED DURING EVENTS/CEREMONIES

b. Tents may only be anchored using sandbags

8. LONG TERM LOADS OF >432 LBS/SQ FT ARE NOT ALLOWED.

9. PLEASE DISPOSE OF ALL TRASH & PLASTIC WATER BOTTLES IN WASTE RECEPTACLES.

10. ATHLETIC FIELD & TRACK ARE UNDER VIDEO SURVEILLANCE AT ALL TIMES.

\*\*PLEASE REPORT TURF DAMAGE SUCH AS TEARS, OPEN SEAMS, DEPRESSIONS, ETC. TO CE WORK CONTROL AT (865) 336-4219\*\*



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## SATURDAY UTA

0815-1130 HOURS	PHYSICAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS (PHAs)
0830-0850 HOURS	FITNESS FOR DUTY EVALUATIONS
0830-1130 HOURS	IMMUNIZATIONS
0830-1130 HOURS	QNFT TESTING
0830-1100 HOURS	DEPLOYMENT PROCESSING/ANAM TESTING
1000-1100 HOURS	FITNESS TESTING EVALS
1130-1230 HOURS	LUNCH
1230-1400 HOURS	WAIVER/MEDCON/LOD APPS w /DOCs & PAs
1230-1530 HOURS	BLS REFRESHER
1300-1430 HOURS	IMMUNIZATIONS
1300-1500 HOURS	HEARING EXAMS/ANAM

Mental Health Assessments (MHAs) will be scheduled by appointment.

## SUNDAY UTA

### CLOSED FOR TRAINING W/EXCEPTION OF FOLLOWING TIMES:

0730-0800 HOURS	FITNESS FOR DUTY EVALUATIONS
0800-1000 HOURS	WING CHANGE OF COMMAND
1100-1230 HOURS	WING RECEPTION/FAREWELL PARTY

**\*\* CONTACT 134th MDG AT 336-4277 TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO BE SEEN OUTSIDE OF THESE TIME FRAMES**



**PLEASE REMEMBER TO REPORT ALL MEDICATIONS THAT YOU ARE TAKING TO THE MED GROUP IMMEDIATELY!!!**

**NOTE 1:** INDIVIDUALS REQUIRING LIPID TESTS MUST FAST FOR 14 HOURS PRIOR TO PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.

**NOTE 2:** INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT TO CONSUME ANY ALCOHOL FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRIOR TO PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.

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**NOTE 5:** DNA TESTING IS CONDUCTED FROM 0830 - 1100 HOURS OF SATURDAY UTA. PLEASE HAVE YOUR PERSONNEL REPORT AT SCHEDULED TIME.





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(U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Kendra Owenby)



## ROCKY TOP DINING FACILITY

### Sat:

*Polynesian Fish  
Pork Loin  
Rice Pilaf  
Mashed Potatoes  
Mushrooms  
Fried Apples  
Spinach*

### Sun:

*Stroganoff  
Tabaka Chicken  
Egg Noodles  
Potatoes & Mushrooms  
Horseradish Beets  
Russian Glazed Carrots  
Russian Braised Cabbage*

## JEAA



The Junior Enlisted Advisory Association welcomes all junior enlisted members to join the group. All E-1s through E-6s are encouraged to attend. JEAA meeting times/locations are announced at Sat. roll calls. Hope to see you all there!



**Meeting Sunday August 5th 2018**  
**Time: 1330 Place: EOC (bldg. 102)**

