



Welcome to AFRS, Brig. Gen. James C. Johnson!

Brig. Gen. James C. Johnson enters the foyer of Air Force Recruiting Service Sept. 5, followed by Col. Michael Romero, AFRS vice commander, and Command Chief Master Sgt. Charles E. Lamer Jr. The general was greeted by the traditional recruiting cheer of "Boy, am I enthusiastic!" and said he was humbled by the experience. He assumes command of AFRS Sept. 11 in a ceremony at the Parr Club at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas. For more photos, see Page 2. (U.S. Air Force photo/Annette Crawford)



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TOP PHOTO – Brig. Gen. James C. Johnson shakes hands with Master Sgt. Ryan Gardner, NCO in charge of Financial Management, Air Force Recruiting Service, Sept. 5. The general will assume command of AFRS Sept. 11. ABOVE – Johnson exits the marketing wing after shaking hands with Master Sgt. Lance Griffin, Event Marketing Superintendent. RIGHT – The incoming AFRS commander is all smiles after being greeted with the traditional recruiting cheer of “Boy, am I enthusiastic!” (U.S. Air Force photos/Annette Crawford)



On their way into the blue

Staff Sgt. Marcus Harvey, Los Angeles Military Entrance Processing Station liaison with the 369th Recruiting Squadron, is surrounded by 19 applicants shipping out to Basic Military Training Aug. 26. (U.S. Air Force photo)



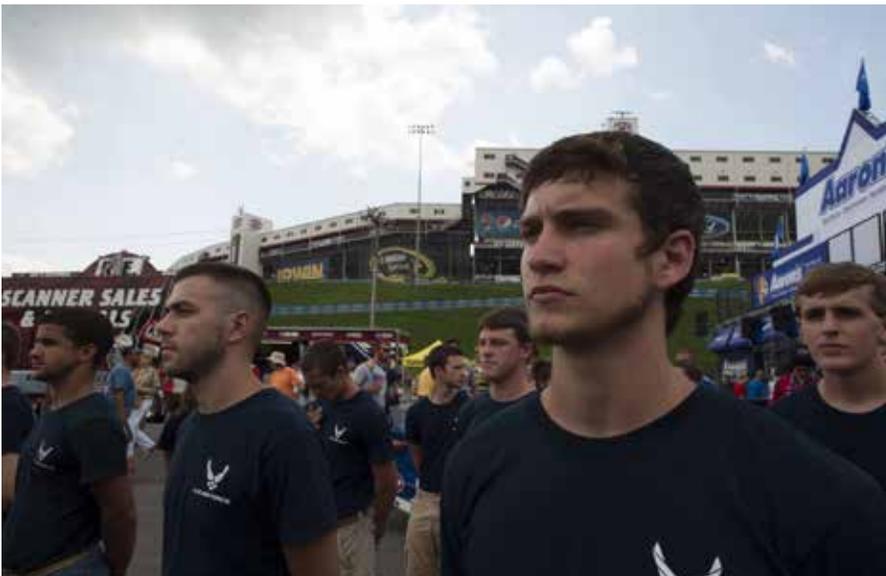
At the 338th

Tech. Sgt. Judson Andrews (right), A-Flight recruiter in Mansfield, Ohio, gives his zone brief to Col. Michael Romero (left), acting commander of Air Force Recruiting Service, during Romero's visit to the 338th Recruiting Squadron Aug. 29. Also present for the briefing in the Columbus, Ohio, recruiting office were Tech. Sgt. Chris Henderson (second from left), A-Flight recruiter in Springfield, Ohio, and Staff Sgt. Zach Stratton, A-Flight recruiter in Columbus. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Ready for football

NCOs from the 338th Recruiting Squadron provided a color guard detail for the Indianapolis Colts vs. New Orleans Saints preseason NFL game at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Aug. 23. From left are: Tech. Sgt. Paul Golembiewski, operations NCO; Tech. Sgt. Erich Marquardt, D-Flight recruiter in Huber Heights, Ohio; Tech. Sgt. Anthony Marvin, line officer recruiter; and Tech. Sgt. Amanda De La Cruz, instructor at the U.S. Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. (U.S. Air Force photo/ Tech. Sgt. Cindy Taylor)



Bristol Motor Speedway

ABOVE -- Lt. Col. Richard Mendez, left, 332nd Recruiting Squadron commander, prepares Lt. Gen. James Holmes, Headquarters U.S. Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Requirements, for the Delayed Enlistment Program swear-in ceremony at the Bristol Motor Speedway in Bristol, Tenn., Aug. 23. The Air Force's involvement in NASCAR allows Air Force Recruiting Service to meet its mission to inspire the nation's brightest, most competitive young men and women for service. (U.S. Air Force photo/Airman Dillian Bamman)

Brandon Waddell stands by with East Tennessee's Delayed Entry Program for a DEP swear-in ceremony at the Bristol Motor Speedway in Bristol, Tenn., Aug. 23. (U.S. Air Force photo/Airman Dillian Bamman)



Leadership visit

Col. Dennis P. Tucker, commander of the 372nd Recruiting Group, visited the Los Angeles Military Entrance Processing Station Sept. 2 as part of his site visit to the 369th Recruiting Squadron. From left are: Staff Sgt. Phillip Adams, Staff Sgt. Corey Nauden, Staff Sgt. Seong Kim and Staff Sgt. Marcus Harvey, all MEPS liaisons; Tucker; Master Sgt. Marco Soto, 369th RCS Operations Flight Chief; Tech. Sgt. Alfonso Coley, senior MEPS liaison; and Chief Master Sgt. Paul Gallagher, 372nd RCG superintendent. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Reenlistment time

Lt. Col. Michael Fenimore (left), 314th Recruiting Squadron commander, administers the oath of enlistment to Master Sgt. Jonathan Beaver of C-Flight in Burlington, N.J., Aug. 28. Beaver has served in the Air Force 17 years, with more than three years as a recruiter in Lebanon, Pa. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Frederico Flores)



BA Challenge

Members of the 336th Recruiting Squadron G-Flight conducted a Battlefield Airman Challenge at Moody Air Force Base, Ga., Aug. 9 to promote BA careers in the Air Force. The event featured competitions between applicants, and demonstrations by Airmen in the 347th Rescue Group. Those recruiters participating were Master Sgt. Rachelle Johnson, G-Flight chief; and recruiters Tech. Sgt. Eugene Moll, Staff Sgt. Anthony Tewell, Staff Sgt. Johnny Amaya, Staff Sgt. Dwain Douglas, Staff Sgt. Micah Mincey and Staff Sgt. Ryan Lafferty. ABOVE – Applicants swim during aquatics training. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Tough Mudders

Members of the 360th Recruiting Group participated in the Pittsburgh/Ohio Valley Tough Mudder event in St. Clairsville, Ohio, Aug. 16. From left are Tech. Sgt. Jonathan Mikan, financial management NCO; Angela Ling and her husband, Capt. Ronnie Ling, support flight commander. Angela Ling is a Health Professions Scholarship Program recipient, recruited by the 318th Recruiting Squadron. She will enter active duty in November as a captain, working as a nurse practitioner. Tough Mudder is a 10-12 mile obstacle course designed to test all-around strength, stamina, teamwork and mental toughness. It's the second Tough Mudder event the team has completed in 2014. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Swamp run

ABOVE – Tech. Sgt. Brandon Batungbacal of the 339th Recruiting Squadron, second from left, poses with some of this Battlefield Airmen applicants who participated in the Swampfoot 4 Mile in St. Claire, Mich., Aug. 30. Participating in the race helped raise awareness and recruiting of BA Airmen. (Courtesy photo)

ABOVE – Maj. Steven Hatcher of the 339th Recruiting Squadron, right, climbs an obstacle during the Swampfoot 4 Mile in St. Claire, Mich., Aug. 30. At left, his son, Jacob, also attempts to overcome the obstacle. (Courtesy photo/Emily Hatcher)



Extreme adventure

The 313th Recruiting Squadron's H-Flight took their flight meeting to the next level when they conquered the Adirondack Extreme Adventure Course in Bolton Landing, N.Y., Aug. 27. The course is considered to be the largest aerial treetop adventure park in the U.S. From left are Staff Sgt. Erik Santos, Staff Sgt. Patrick Earl, Tech. Sgt. Paul Garces, Staff Sgt. Jelitza Mangual, Tech. Sgt. Nina Butler (H-Flight chief) and Tech. Sgt. Ben Holt. (Courtesy photos/Bart Butler)



Staff Sgt. Jelitza Mangual contemplates her maneuvers across swinging logs.



Staff Sgt. Patrick Earl (below) mentally prepares for the "Leap of Faith" while Tech. Sgt. Nina Butler tells him to check the rope for safety before she takes the plunge.



Inaugural event

Members of the 336th Recruiting Squadron participated in the Inaugural Hotlanta Half Marathon in Atlanta, Aug. 24. The 336th RCS H-Flight sponsored the event to promote zone awareness about Battlefield Airmen and combat support careers. The recruiters were provided air time to talk about the program. Three recruiters ran in the race. TOP LEFT – Tech. Sgt. Mubarak Rashid, F-Flight recruiter in Tucker, Ga., and his daughter. ABOVE – Tech. Sgt. Jason Crawford, H-Flight chief. LEFT – Staff Sgt. James Robison, H-Flight recruiter in Roswell, Ga. (U.S. Air Force photos)



Atlanta NASCAR

Members of the 336th Recruiting Squadron were on hand for the NASCAR Oral B 500 Race at Atlanta Motor Speedway in Hampton, Ga., Aug. 31. The swear-in ceremony was conducted by Maj. Gen. Scott Jansson, Air Force Program Executive Officer for Weapons and Director, Armament Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. ABOVE – Surrounded by members of the Delayed Entry Program, service members are, from left: Senior Master Sgt. Rob Veuelman, Staff Sgt. Andrew Curtis, Staff Sgt. Bert Cooper, Tech. Sgt. Darren Wittman, Jansson, Lt. Col. Joseph Egresits, Tech. Sgt. Mubarak Rashid, Tech. Sgt. Joe Jessup, Master Sgt. Corey Hartzler, and Tech. Sgt. Steve Young. LEFT – Maj. Gen. Scott Jansson speaks with members of the Delayed Entry Program. (U.S. Air Force photos)



Surf's up

Air Force Recruiting Service sponsored the Supergirl Pro Surf Competition Aug. 8-10 in Oceanside, Calif. The 362nd Recruiting Squadron B-Flight worked the event, which showcases the top 100 female surfers in the world. ABOVE – Tech. Sgt. Jon Wickre, marketing NCO; Tech. Sgt. Tashauna King, logistics NCO; and Master Sgt. Jeff Lisle, B-Flight chief, provide information to beachgoers. LEFT – Senior Master Sgt. Steven Zuege, 362nd RCS production superintendent, presents the Air Force Take Flight Award to Keely Andrew, for achieving the most air from jumping the waves. (U.S. Air Force photos)