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Austin Hub visit
After an orientation at GSD&M in Austin, Texas, Sept. 9, Brig. Gen. James C. Johnson, Air Force Recruiting Service commander, stopped in to visit the 341st Recruiting Squadron's D-Flight Austin Hub. LEFT – Johnson shakes hands with Tech. Sgt. Robert Isarraraz as Master Sgt. Shawn Amerson, Tech. Sgt. Nicholas Tapia and Victoria Arevalo look on. (U.S. Air Force photo/Annette Crawford)



LEFT – Brig. Gen. James C. Johnson listens as Master Sgt. Shawn Amerson, 341st RCS D-Flight chief, gives him a tour of the office. ABOVE – Lt. Col. Angie Blair (center), 341st RCS commander, briefs on the operations of the hub. Also present was Brig. Gen. Kathleen Cook, director of Public Affairs, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. (U.S. Air Force photos/Annette Crawford)



Saluting EOD

Master Sgt. Michael Malott (right), 336th Recruiting Squadron, presents an Air Force Recruiting Salutes plaque to Tech. Sgt. Anthony Sennhenn and Senior Airman Melissa Taft of the 628th Civil Engineer Squadron at Joint Base Charleston, S.C., Sept. 12. The two Explosive Ordnance Disposal Airmen were recognized for their support of recruiting during a visit by six members of the Delayed Entry Program. The newest DEP member was allowed to put on a bomb suit and complete a mock disposal. After a tour and question and answer session, one additional applicant now wants a career in EOD. (U.S. Air Force photo)



9/11 memorial run

Tech. Sgt. Steve Dagnan of the 337th Recruiting Squadron stands with four members of his Delayed Entry Program at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C., Sept. 11. From left are Shawn Stickle, Samuel Smalley, Dagnan, Alberto Guerrero and Avery Anderson. The team ran in the 5k memorial run dedicated to those who died on 9/11. The run was held on the flightline for the first time. (U.S. Air Force photo)

Recruiter applies SABC training to save lives

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JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas -- On the early morning of Sept. 4, Tech. Sgt. Ryan Cole, 317th Recruiting Squadron line officer accessions recruiter in Waldorf, Md., witnessed a multiple-vehicle accident and was the first on scene.

He quickly called upon his Self-Aid Buddy Care training to assess and treat each of the drivers.

"I saw one of the drivers hanging out of the vehicle vomiting," Cole recalled. "I ran to his vehicle and pulled the driver out. I sat him down in a safe area on the side of the road, and checked him for any other injuries and treated him for shock."

"He seemed disoriented, but could not see any other physical injuries," Cole added.

After stabilizing the first driver, Cole flagged down a bystander to help direct traffic away from the accident by setting out road flares and calling 911.

After stabilizing the scene of the accident, he turned his attention to the second injured driver.

"I rushed over to attend to the female who seemed to be stuck in her vehicle as the entire front end was smashed completely into her dash," Cole said. "She was unresponsive at first, but I kept talking to her, asking her name and checking her pulse until she finally came to."

"I observed blood on her face coming from her nose and possibly from her head," he added. "She was not making sense and I told her help was on the way and to try not to move."

As he continued to help the injured, local emergency crews arrived on scene and transported both drivers to the hospital for treatment.

Looking back, he was thankful for his SABC training as it was crucial to helping the injured.

"SABC was a game changer," Cole said. "Had I not received the training, I wouldn't have been able to properly triage them and get vital information to the medical response team as they arrived."



Tech. Sgt. Ryan Cole, 317th Recruiting Squadron Line Officer Accessions recruiter, hands an applicant a business card at his recruiting office in Waldorf, Md. (U.S. Air Force photo)

Many were proud of Cole's heroic act and attributed his actions to his character.

"I am extremely proud of Tech. Sgt. Cole's quick thinking and the leadership he displayed while handling the situation," said Lt Col. Charity Hartley, 317th RCS commander.

"No matter what the situation, he is always willing to lend a hand and has a very positive, professional attitude," Master Sgt. Thomas McCray, 317th Recruiting Squadron A-flight chief, added. "I am very proud of him and his acts as this type of heroism definitely describes his character of being a great Airman first!"



Admiring the Vapor

Tech. Sgt. James Gilliland, the Paris, Texas, recruiter with the 344th Recruiting Squadron F-Flight, talks with students at Mount Pleasant High School in Mount Pleasant, Texas, about the Vapor Supercar, Sept. 10. The visit was done during the school lunch period and helped acquire several leads. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Formula Drift

Master Sgt. Enrique Nava, the 344th Recruiting Squadron line officer recruiter, set up a visit to the University of Texas at Arlington campus with the Air Force-sponsored Formula Drift driver Ryan Tuerck, Sept. 10. Tuerck (left) stands with UT-Arlington mechanical engineering students and the department head, Dr. Bob Woods. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Battle of Plattsburgh

The Battle of Plattsburgh, also known as the Battle of Lake Champlain, is commemorated annually by the city of Plattsburgh, N.Y. The battle, fought on Sept. 11, 1814, marked a decisive American naval victory against a British fleet in the War of 1812. This year's festivities were held Sept. 13 and included a parade and festival. The city was home to an Air Force base until 1994. LEFT – The Raptor is part of the parade. BELOW – From left are Tech. Sgt. Ben Holt, the local recruiter assigned to the 313th Recruiting Squadron; Tech. Sgt. Nina Butler, 313th RCS H-Flight chief; and Staff Sgt. Ronald Reyome, Recruiter Assistance Program. (U.S. Air Force photos)





PBR event

Staff Sgt. Adam Rome (left), 349th Recruiting Squadron C-Flight recruiter, stands at the Air Force information booth at a Professional Bull Riding event in Springfield, Mo., Sept. 13. Next to Rome is Airman 1st Class Cody Reynard, Recruiter Assistance Program. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Retired Air Force Lt. Col. Patrick Sanders stands in front of 13 Delayed Entry Program members during a rehearsal for the swear-in ceremony at John Q. Hammons Arena, Sept. 13. Sanders is the Junior ROTC commander at Republic High School in Republic, Mo. Staff Sgt. Adam Rome, 349th Recruiting Squadron C-Flight recruiter, arranged for the oath of enlistment ceremony at the opening of the annual Professional Bull Riding event. All C-Flight recruiters participated with the booth during the event. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Fitness fans

Staff Sgt. James Mikus (right), 338th Recruiting Squadron H-Flight recruiter in Kokomo, Ind., and Jake Sampsel, Delayed Entry Program member, are shown at the 10th Planet Indy Sub Only Jiu Jitsu Tournament in Indianapolis, Sept. 13. Mikus took first place in the event which was held at Circle City Martial Arts and Fitness. Sampsel also competed. He lost more than 90 pounds to join the Air Force; he leaves for basic military training in October in the explosive ordnance disposal career field. (U.S. Air Force photo)



9/11 ceremony

A ceremony was held in Kettering, Ohio, Sept. 11, in memory of those who died on 9/11. As part of the event, Lt. Col. Timothy Maxwell (right), 338th Recruiting Squadron commander, conducted a swear-in ceremony for Delayed Entry Program members from Kettering and the greater Dayton area. Standing with Maxwell are, from left: Staff Sgt. Travis Parker, D-Flight recruiter in Kettering; Hobbie Daniels and his son, Travis, a member of the DEP. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Drill and ceremonies

Tech. Sgt. Jeremy Gomez, 361st Recruiting Squadron Operations NCO, coordinated with the Federal Way High School Air Force Junior ROTC in Federal Way, Wash., to teach drill and ceremonies to JROTC cadets Sept. 15. Gomez, a former Military Training Instructor, taught the cadets the characteristics of command voice, physical fitness motivation, drill esprit de corps and enlisted heritage. These sessions will be done on a regular basis; they open opportunities for leads and appointments. (U.S. Air Force photos)

