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Top performers honored at 412th TW Annual Awards

From 412th Test Wing Public Affairs

The 412th Test Wing hosted its annual awards banquet at Hangar 1600 Feb. 3 where accolades and hardware were handed out to the wing's top performing individuals and teams. New categories to this year's awards are Innovator of the Year and Innovation Team of the Year. The banquet was held in the maintenance hangar with several planes in the background including an F-22, T-38, B-52 and F-35. Congratulations to all awardees for setting the standard in their categories!

Airman of the Year Senior Airman Joseph Connors 412th Civil Engineering Group

NCO of the Year Tech. Sgt. Amanda Esparza 412th Mission Support Group

Senior NCO of the Year Master Sgt. Christopher Roach 412th MSG

Company Grade Officer of the Year Capt Brian Gilliam 412th MSG

Field Grade Officer of the Year Maj Margaret Coppini 412th Medical Group



The Saber Cordon is ready for award nominees to pass under at the beginning of the 2016 412th Test Wing Annual Award Banquet Feb. 3 in Hangar 1600. (U.S. Air Force photo by Joseph Gocong)

Honor Guardsman of the Year Senior Airman Ambrose Ledesma 412th MSG

Honor Guard Program Manager of the Year Tech. Sgt. Jeremy Waldrip 412th MSG

Individual Mobilized Augmentee Senior NCO of the Year Master Sgt. Anhtuan Dang 412th Test Wing Staff Agency

> IMA Company Grade Officer of the Year Capt. Richardson Honore 412th Test Wing Staff Agency

IMA Field Grade Officer of the Year Maj. Lena Freienmuth 412th Maintenance Group Supervision/Management of the Year Robert Warner 412th Test Wing Staff Agency

Scientific/Engineering of the Year Jeremy Cookson U.S. Air Force Test Pilot School

> Technician of the Year Gordon Ruiz 412th MXG

Trades & Labor of the Year Paul Hernandez 412th Operations Group

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Schaefer highlights accomplishments at commander's call

By Kenji Thuloweit 412th Test Wing Public Affairs

Brig. Gen. Carl Schaefer, 412th Test Wing commander, updated Team Edwards on test programs, highlighted recent accomplishments and thanked everyone on base for their hard work and dedication in accomplishing the mission at two commander's calls held Feb. 1 in the base theater.

"Every weapons system in our inventory gets birthed at Edwards and that's why what we do is so important. That's why what we support is so important. You are the future of air power for our nation, so we can't fail," Schaefer said.

Edwards continues to be a busy workforce with testing being done to enhance almost every airframe in the Air Force inventory, including all three service variants of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter. Among some of the test programs



Brig. Gen. Carl Schaefer, 412th Test Wing commander, addresses a crowd at the base theater Feb. 1 during one of two commander's calls to update the Team Edwards workforce. (U.S. Air Force photo by Kyle Larson)

the general highlighted were the F-16 Automatic Air Collision and Avoidance System; preparations for F-35 Initial Operational and Evaluation Testing; continued testing with the new KC-46 Pegasus aerial refueling tanker; and continual upgrades to the bomber force. The 412th Maintenance Group contin-

ues to maintain 75 aircraft with 15 different airframes.

Schaefer also applauded the work of the 412th Electronic Warfare Group who have been instrumental in recent B-2 and B-52 electronic warfare testing and also the work in supporting the development of a flight simulator for the F-35 JSF. The group has also done testing with the KC-46, which will replace the Air Force's 60-year-old fleet of KC-135 Stratotankers.

Schaefer lauded the work of the base support workforce including the 412th Civil Engineering Group that oversaw the moving of the F-22 Raptor Integrated Test Force to a new compound on the flightline to make space for future programs coming to Edwards.

Other accomplishments around the wings were also listed.

Read more at www.edwards.af.mil

Best of the best honored at 412th TW Annual Awards banquet

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Secretarial/Clerical of the Year Christine Avilucea U.S. Air Force Plant 42

Staff/Specialist/Analyst of the Year Marquette Moore 412th OG

Program Manager of the Year Timothy James 412th CEG

Team of the Year Benefield Anechoic Facility 412th EWG

Innovator of the Year Kyle Schaller 412th Electronic Warfare Group

Innovation Team of the Year Scarlet Snake 412th EWG



The 412th Test Wing Annual Awards Banquet was held in Hangar 1600 Feb. 3. (U.S. Air Force graphic by Joseph Gocong)

412th MXG recognizes 2016 maintenance pros of the year

By Christopher Ball 412th Test Wing Public Affairs

The 412th Maintenance Group honored its top performers for 2016 during a luncheon held Feb. 6 in Hangar 1600. Base leadership routinely acknowledges how the 412th MXG has the most diverse maintenance mission in the Air Force. The group is charged with the maintenance of 75 aircraft in 15 different airframes.

Maintenance Professional, Junior-Level Senior Airman Tyler Broadfoot, 412th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Maintenance Professional, Mid-Level Tech. Sgt. Daniel George, 912th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

> Maintenance Professional, Senior-Level Master Sgt. Frederick Maurath III, 412th AMXS

Maintenance Support Professional, Junior-Level Senior Airman Grace Covert, 412th AMXS

Maintenance Support Professional, Mid-Level Staff Sgt. Andrew Smith, 412th MXS

Maintenance Support Professional, Senior-Level Master Sgt. Jarrod Miller, 412th MXG

Crew Chief of the Year Staff Sgt. Daniel Calderwood, 912th AMXS

Maintenance Support (Test) Professional, Mid-Level Staff Sgt. John Templeton III, 412th Maintenance Logistics Squadron

Maintenance Support (Test) Professional, Senior-Level Master Sgt. Nathan Davis, 412th MXLS

Outstanding Weapons and Munitions Professionals

Airman Category Senior Airman Travis Dougherty, 412th MXG

Noncommissioned Officer Tech Sgt. Jonathan Young, 412th AMXS

Senior NCO Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Rowe, 412th MXG

Civilian Weapons Stephen Trekas, 412th Test Wing Safety Office

> Civilian Munitions Louis Vasquez

Weapons Load Crew of the Year Crew R-2 -- Staff Sgt. Huntington Johnson, Senior Airman Billy Webb and Senior Airman Michael Meyer



From left: Col. Stephen Grotjohn, 412th Maintenance Group commander, presents the 2016 Weapons Load Crew of the Year Award to Senior Airman Billy Webb and Senior Airman Michael Meyer along with wing weapons manager Chief Master Sgt. Andrew Carling Feb. 6 in Hangar 1600. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Joseph Gocong)

412th Maintenance Group Annual Awards

Airman Senior Airman Travis Dougherty, 412th MXG

NCO Tech Sgt. James Greene, 412th MXLS

Senior NCO Master Sgt. Horace Marceaux III, 412th MXS

First Sergeant Master Sgt. Laura Magas, 412th MXS

> Supervision/Management Julie McAndrew, 912th AMXS

Technician Gordon Ruiz, 412th MXS

Trades/Labor Bert Maxwell, 912th AMXS

Staff/Specialist/Analyst Tricia Werdmuller Von Elgg, 912th AMXS

Maintenance Team of the Year Bomber Aircraft Maintenance, 912th AMXS

412th Force Support Squadron upcoming events

AERO Club

275-AERO

Private Pilot Ground School is Monday-Friday, Feb. 13-March 3, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Price includes King/Cessna Private Pilot Ground School Kit and 30-hour class. Call for more info.

Airman and Family Readiness 277-0723

Department of Labor Transition Assistance Program is Feb. 13-17, 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
The five-day TAP workshop is required for all separating and retiring military members; spouses are welcome and encouraged to attend. **Hearts Apart** is Feb. 16, 5-7 p.m. Our monthly event for families of servicemembers who are deployed, on an extended TDY, or on a remote tour assignment. Join us for dinner and fun activities!

Heart Link is Feb. 16, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. This is an introduction to the Air Force for spouses who are newly married or want to learn more about the Air Force way of life. Workshop-based speakers from various service agencies give an overview of services available. Lunch is included. Childcare must be requested two weeks prior to the class.

Ten Steps to Federal Employment is Feb. 21, 10-11:45 a.m. This course teaches the easy-to-follow, step-by-step process for analyzing your qualifications through tracking, and following up with your USAJOBS applications.

Pre-Separation Counseling is Feb. 22, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Pre-separation counseling is a prerequisite for the 5-day Transition Assistance Program. Spouses are highly encouraged to attend.

Plan My Move is Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2-3 p.m. Edwards' "Plan My Move" seminar will assist you in ensuring you select the proper path for a successful PCS, whether it be planning for an OCONUS or CONUS move.

Women's, Infants' & Children's Clinic is Monday, Feb. 27, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Open for both walk-ins and appointments. Closed for lunch noon-1 p.m. For an appointment or voucher information, call toll free 866-327-3074.

Arts and Crafts Center/Auto Hobby 275-ARTS/AUTO

Framing Blow Out Sale is Feb. 13-24. Save big on simple, one-hole mats and a wide variety of molding! While supplies last.

Accordion Mini-Scrapbook Class is Feb. 21, 5-7 p.m. Mind-bogglingly easy to make but so cool to open and display your precious memories, this scrapbook is great for a mini vacation or as a gift to give. All supplies will be provided. Minimum age to participate is 8. Sign up at Arts & Crafts by Feb. 17.

Engraving Shop Email Change - The Engraving Shop's email address is now servicesengraving412@gmail.com.

Instructors Needed! Attention all artists and crafters! If you're creative, we need you! The Arts & Crafts Center is seeking out instructors of all types. Come and share your creative knowledge with a diverse group of students looking

for painting, photography, drawing, scrapbooking and other craft/art related instruction. No prior instructor experience necessary. If you are knowledgeable then we are looking for you! **Smog Checks** - Auto Hobby has a certified Smog Technician available Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. No appointment is required! **Basic vehicle maintenance class** is Saturdays at 10 a.m. Participants will learn the basics of good vehicle maintenance. Learn how to operate a lift, change your oil and check and balance your tires. Call the Auto Hobby Shop at 275-AUTO (2887) for more information.

Automotive detailer wanted - The Edwards Car Wash is looking for an automotive detailer. Call Auto Hobby for more information.

Towing service available through Auto Hobby Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Towing is available on-base and off-base. Call Auto Hobby for more information or prices.

Oil changes and alignments are offered at very competitive prices as well as services in mounting and balancing.

Wood Shop is available Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. For the woodworking hobbyist, the Arts and Crafts Center provides a variety of equipment that includes band saws, table saws, a drill press and much more. A safety course is required to use the Wood Shop.

Club Muroc 275-CLUB

Monday Pizza Night is every Monday night, 5-8 p.m. Enjoy a 16" pizza made with fresh dough for dine-in, carryout or delivery. Make sure to try our delicious Chicken Buffalo Pizza! Call for more options and to place your order. Club Hold 'Em is Feb. 10, 6 p.m., in the Alliance Room. Join us for our first Club Hold 'Em night! Food will be provided.

Valentine's Day Dinner Special is Sunday, Feb. 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Call for prices. Cost includes a starter (Caesar salad or French onion soup), entrée (filet mignon with bleu cheese crumbles, baked chicken parmesan or miso glazed salmon with grilled asparagus and spinach orzo), dessert (chocolate cake topped with strawberries or New York cheese cake with strawberries) and a complimentary glass of champagne. Reservations required by Feb. 10. To make a reservation, or for more info, call 277-2830.

Bar Trivia isThursday, Feb. 16, 6-8 p.m. at Fogleman's Lounge. Test your trivia knowledge for your chance to win a \$50 FSS gift card! The second-place team will also be awarded an FSS gift card.

Win a Designer Handbag Feb. 26 at 3 p.m. 9 Cards, 9 Games, 9 Prizes! Pre-Registration required.

Tipsee Artist Paint Night is Feb. 28, 6-8 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m., painting starts at 6 p.m. Come test your artistic talents! 18 & up to paint, 21 to drink.

High Desert Lanes Bowling Center 275-BOWL

For more information about 412th FSS offerings, visit www.edwardsfss.com/wordpress

Valentine Special is Feb. 14, 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Buy one game and shoe rental, and receive one game and shoe rental free for your sweetheart.

Glow in the Dark Bowling is on Fridays and Saturdays, 6 p.m.-midnight. Shoe rental included with price. Bowl as many games as you want! Don't miss out on all the fun at an affordable price and a fun atmosphere for the whole family.

Library 275-BOOK

Coffee and Coloring is every Tuesday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea while coloring designs created for adults!

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Adopt me!

Lola is a gorgeous brindle colored shephard/bull mastiff mix. She took more of the shephard size and has shown herself to be a lovely girl. She likes kids, cats, and other dogs. Lola is 4-5 years old and is a doll on the leash. Call APET at 258-9525 for more information.

Announcements

Library 275-BOOK

Children's Story Time is every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a.m. Toddlers and pre-school children are invited to join us for a wonderful story time and create very unique craft projects. Volunteer readers are welcome!

Special Holiday Story Times: Valentine's Day: Friday, Feb. 10.

President's Day: Friday, Feb. 17.

Oasis Community Center 275-CNTR

Discover Black History Month Feb. 1-28. Celebrate 28 days of Black History with little known facts, movies and a free activity book! "The Price is Right" trip is Wednesday, Feb. 15, 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Price includes transportation and group T-shirt. Ages 18 and up. If you ever wanted to be on the iconic game show "The Price it Right," here is your chance! We are taking a group down to be audience members and possibly contestants on the longest running game show in history. After the show you will have free time to explore downtown Los Angeles. Sign up at the Oasis Community Center by February 10.

Cupid's Workshop - Show your Valentine how much you care with a custom designed Valentine's Day basket or balloon bouquet from Cupid's workshop in the Oasis Community Center. Surprise them even more with a special delivery from one of Cupid's helpers on Valentine's Day!

Battlefield 4 Tournament (PS4) is Feb. 24, 5-7 p.m. Fees go to overall winner.

Zumba is Mondays: 11 a.m.-12 p.m., and 5-6 p.m. Tuesdays: 4:30-5:30 p.m. Wednesdays: 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Discount for advance purchase of 10 classes

Muroc Lake Golf Course 275-PUTT

Valentine's Day Golf Tournament is Feb. 18, 12:30 p.m. shotgun start (weather permitting). Sign up by Feb. 13 at the MLGC golf shop. AGF card holder – includes golf cart fee, tournament prize fund and food following play. Non-AGF card holder-includes green fee, golf cart fee, tournament prize fund and food following play. Format: 18-hole two-player scramble (couples preferred but not limited to). Limited to the first 36 teams (72 players) to sign up. Want to learn how to play golf? Come learn from our club pro, Chelsea Orozco. Chelsea can teach you everything you will need to know

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Annual Membership - Are you a frequent visitor to the Muroc Lake Golf Course? Save money by purchasing an annual membership! Our memberships run from April 1 through March 31 but you can join now with pro-rated rates.

Outdoor Recreation

275-CAMP

Mammoth Ski Shuttle is Saturday, Feb. 25, from 5 a.m.-9 p.m. Ski rental equipment included with cost. Lift tickets not included, but can be purchased on base at Information, Tickets & Travel.

For lift tickets or more information call 275-TRIP. Minimum age requirement is 6 years. Anyone under 18 years must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian. Fitting required NLT two days prior to trip. Tubing available at the slope for a fee. Alcoholic beverages not permitted.

Land Sailing Program program operates by private bookings only. Must be cleared with flightline one week prior to scheduled event. If you have any questions, call ODR.

Need Ski or Snowboard Gear? Outdoor Rec has all of the equipment you need. Check out the Equipment Rental pricelist on ODR's page at www.edwardsfss.com or come stop by Outdoor Recreation today!

Paintball Field Now Open!

The paintball field is open by reservation only. If you have any questions, call ODR at 275-2267.

Youth Sports 277-8961

Baseball & Softball Registration is Feb. 6-March 3. Season begins in April. Late fee after March 4. Open to children ages 5-15 All baseball teams will be co-ed. Softball will be girls only. Youth Sports Programs is also looking for highly motivated volunteers to umpire for youth baseball and Softball. For more information, call Youth Sports.

Archery Classes are every Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 21-March 16 and March 28-April 20. Level 1 Classes are 3:30-5 p.m., at the Main Youth Center. Youth will learn and develop great archery skills. Classes taught by Rafael Hernandez. Sports physical and shot records required. Sign up now at the Youth Center!

Youth Programs 275-5437

Gymnastics Instructional Classes (ages 3-17)

are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Instructor is Stephanie Snyder. Call 570-640-5895 or email ssgymnastic1@yahoo.com for more information.

Boys & Girls Club Power Hour/Project Learn is Monday-Thursday, 2:30-4 p.m. Power Hour: making minutes count helps club members ages 6-12 become successful in school by providing homework help and tutoring while encouraging members to become self-directed learners. See Ms. Breanne for details and to sign up.

Rosburg Fitness Center 275-GYM1

Run with History Half Marathon, 10K & 5K has temporarily been postponed until an unspecified date.

Lunchtime Basketball League sign-ups are now available for the free Lunchtime Basketball League. You can sign up for the "Green" League or "Gold" League. Green Leaguers are under 30 years old and Gold Leaguers are 30+ years old. Games will be held Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during January and February. Sign up at the Rosburg Fitness Center front counter!

Lunchtime Disc Golf at Mojave Greens on Wednesdays at noon. Meet at Mojave Greens Disc Golf Course, Hole #1. Join us for a round of lunchtime golf. Players of all skill levels are invited to attend. Experienced golfers will be on hand to offer advice and work with beginners. Equipment will be available for loan. Take this opportunity to meet other disc golfers on base and challenge each other on the course!

Personal Trainer available. Call Jennifer Pottinger 757-810-5734 to schedule your appointment and ask about prices.

412th Security Forces Squadron issues speeding citations

The 412th Security Forces Squadron issued three speeding citations and processed one driving suspension from Jan. 31 through Feb. 5.

Driving privilege suspensions (current)

Citations issued	15 days 30 days	0 0
1 to 10 mph	60 days90 days	
	180 days (six months)	0
	730 days (two years)	0

Per AFI 31-218 and EAFBI 31-218, a DD Form 1408 Armed Forces traffic tickets (no-fine) are issued to military members. Military members receiving 1408s are subject to Uniform Code of Military Justice action. A U.S. District Court Violation Notice (USDCVN) (a fine) is issued to all civilians, dependents and retirees. If issued a USDCVN, violators may be required to be present at Magistrate Court in Bakersfield, California, receive traffic violation points against their state-issued driver's license and potentially receive suspension of on-base driving privileges.

Dorm 2424 reopened after renovations, modern upgrades

From 412th Civil Engineering Group

The official ribbon cutting of the newly renovated Dormitory 2424 took place Feb. 8, to signify the completion of its major renovation. The dorm features updated amenities constructed in an apartment-style configuration that includes 61 bedrooms arranged into 20 suites.

Nineteen suites house three Airmen and one houses four.

"We will soon see swift activity as Airmen begin moving their belongings into the beautiful newly renovated building,' said James E. Judkins, Edwards AFB civil engineer.

Judkins credits the dormitory management staff, first sergeants and command chief for developing the plan to allow the smooth transition of residents to the building while working to bring unit integrity to the entire dormitory campus.

The entrance to each suite is through a combined living area that includes a kitchenette, which opens into individual bedrooms surrounding a small hall. Vinyl plank flooring runs through the common areas, while the bedrooms are carpeted.

The living area in each suite is furnished with a sofa, table and television stand with connections for a television and the internet. The kitchenettes include Corian counters with a breakfast bar, cooktop, over-the-range microwave/convection oven. refrigerator, dishwasher and sink with a garbage disposal.

Conveniently located in each suite is a stacked commercial-style washer and dryer set. Airmen can now do laundry in their own suite and not carry laundry baskets to and from central laundry rooms.

"The main desirability of the new dormitory will be the private bathrooms; each Airman will have a private bathroom connected to their bedroom. It's like a multi-bedroom apartment that you would find on any college campus or downtown complex," said Jeff Lensch, 412th Civil Engineering Group housing specialist. "The bathrooms are nicely appointed with a combination tub and shower, ceramic floor and wall tiles, a Corian vanity and mirrored medicine cabinet."

Other amenities include having control of the temperature settings in the bedrooms with individual heating/cooling fan



Base and 412th Civil Engineering Group leadership held a ribbon cutting Feb. 8 to signify the completion of Dormitory 2424 after extenstive renovations and upgrades. (U.S. Air Force photo by Kenji Thuloweit)

coil units. There is natural and overhead lighting in each suite with blackout shades and blinds on all windows so residents can adjust natural light to their preference. The rooms come complete with solid wood furnishings, an adjustable captain's bed, nightstand, dressers, a desk and chair.

Dormitory 2424 was built in 1958 and was last renovated in the mid-90s. The facility originally had interior hallways and later was reconfigured with balcony entrances. The exterior entrances allowed two rooms to be connected by a shared bath. Air Force dormitory standards changed in 2003 establishing a new Dorms-4-Airmen model, which allowed for three or four Airmen to share a suite with each having a private room and attached bath with a common living/kitchen and laundry area.

The project was contracted through the Army Corps of Engineers, who in concert with the 412th CEG, had oversght and maintained quality control. Au Authum Ki was the prime contractor in the renovation project for Dorm 2424 in a design, build contract valued at \$8.5 million. Construction began July 2015 and was completed on Jan. 17. In addition to the reconfiguration of the building, other major upgrades include bringing the fire suppression/alarm systems and the seismic structure up to current codes. Additionally, a mass notification system was installed in the building.

419th FLTS offers inaugural CTF immersion tour

By Christopher Ball 412th Test Wing Public Affairs



Team Edwards members recieve a briefing in front of a 419th Flight Test Squadron B-1B Lancer Feb. 6. (U.S. Air Force photo by Christian Turner)

The first Monday of the month is considered training day for most units at Edwards AFB. Feb. 6 was no different, but this training day offered something new to Team Edwards.

More than 60 Team Edwards members gathered at South

Base for an immersion tour of the 419th Flight Test Squadron and the Global Power Combined Test Force.

According to CTF director Lt. Col. Miles Middleton, the tour was part of the 412th Test Wing Strategic Action Plan for fiscal year 2017, to "Inspire our people through exposure to the flight test mission."

"The intent is to get Airmen who are unaware of the base's overall mission out to CTFs and immerse them in what we do."

The visitors were treated to a CTF mission brief along with an aircraft-specific mission brief and question-and-answer session planeside for all of the bombers in the CTF – the B-1B Lancer, B-2 Spirit and B-52 Stratofortress. While the tour groups visited each bomber, Middleton said his vision was that the impact would be much more profound "if we treat this as an immersion rather than just a tour of each jet."

Since the immersions are part of the Strategic Action Plan, Team Edwards members can anticipate future opportunities to visit and learn about other units. The next visit is planned for the 416th Flight Test Squadron on Team Edwards' next training day, March 6.



This Week in Edwards Flight Test History

On Feb. 11 1945, the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation's XP-81 made its first flight at Muroc. It was piloted by Frank Davis. (Edwards History Office file photo)

Deputy L.A. mayor for Homeland Security tours Edwards



Jeff Gorell, deputy mayor for Homeland Security and Public Safety, Los Angeles, meets with 412th Security Forces Squadron defenders Jan. 31. (U.S. Air Force photo by Ethan Wagner)

By Kenji Thuloweit

412th Test Wing Public Affairs

Jeff Gorell, Los Angeles deputy mayor for Homeland Security and Public Safety, visited Edwards AFB Jan. 31. Gorell was given an orientation tour of the base that included visits to the 412th Security Forces Squadron, F-35 Integrated Test Force, 412th Electronic Warfare Group and 412th Maintenance Group.

"The visit to the 412th SFS translated into a connection with the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department and Los Angeles Police Department to increase training opportunities with them in the future," said Lt. Col. David Watts, 412th SFS commander.



Jeff Gorell, deputy mayor for Homeland Security and Public Safety, Los Angeles, meets with working military dog handlers from the 412th Security Forces Squadron before a WMD demonstration Jan. 31. (U.S. Air Force photo by Ethan Wagner)

According to an L.A. website, Gorell has been in that position since July 2015. He was a member of the California State Assembly representing the 37th and 44th District from 2010 to 2014. Previously, he was a deputy district attorney in Ventura County. Gorell is also a commander in the U.S. Navy Reserve and was deployed twice to Afghanistan.

As deputy mayor for Homeland Security and Public Safety, Gorell oversees and advises the mayor on policy related to the departments of police, fire, and emergency management, and he also coordinates with other regional, state, and federal agencies to ensure Los Angeles is safe and fully prepared for emergencies.



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