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## 412th TW command chief bids farewell to Team Edwards



From left to right: Amari Simmons, Chief Master Sgt. Todd Simmons, 412th Test Wing command chief, Shannon Simmons, Congressman Steve Knight, and Robyn Lawhon pose for photos on the infield of the JetHawks' stadium in Lancaster, California, after Chief Simmons was presented with the inaugural Bank of America/Merrill Lynch Military Service Before Self Award July 29. (U.S. Air Force photo by Christopher Ball)

By Christopher Ball

412th Test Wing Public Affairs

The 412th Test Wing's command chief master sergeant has been called to another assignment after just 13 months in his position at Edwards.

Chief Master Sgt. Todd Simmons took the position of command chief here in May, 2016, becoming the principal advisor to the 412th TW commander on matters concerning morale, welfare, discipline, training, fitness and effective utilization

of the wing's 14,000 military, civilian, contractor personnel and their families.

Now Simmons has been charged with taking a similar role as command chief at Air University, headquartered at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. Air University is a key component of Air Education and Training Command, and is the Air Force's center for professional military education.

"I had the opportunity to interview for the position with Lt. Gen. (Steven Kwast, Air University commander and president) and was selected a week and a half later," Simmons said. "I wasn't expecting it to move this quickly at all, but Air Force needs come first. As the Air Force goes down the road of perfecting, changing and modernizing enlisted and officer professional military education, I am excited to be part of that."

As he prepares to transition to his new assignment, Simmons said one of his best memories of Edwards is the excitement of becoming a better team.

"Working together can net some amazing results," he said. "Building a team of folks and inspiring them to do the right thing – and to take those things that mean a lot to them forward – that's been my biggest goal. From the enlisted Airmen, the officers and civilians, to our spouses and our families, we've treated this as a community, as a place that we want to live in and want to make better. And we have made it better. We've promoted heritage, we've promoted education here, professional military education, pride of family, and

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## Lockheed Martin vice president lauds F-35 workforce

From 412th Test Wing Public Affairs

Jeff Babione, Lockheed Martin F-35 executive vice president and general manager, visited the Joint Strike Fighter Integrated Test Force July 20 and hosted an all hands event in one of the ITF's hangars.

Babione praised the ITF's important achievement of carrying out the system development and demonstration phase of the F-35 program to its upcoming completion.

"The work [the ITF members] are doing, alongside everyone else on the SDD program, to finish strong is outstanding. While the team is well on their way to closing out SDD, they still have a number of mission critical tests to complete and there is no doubt in my mind that they will finish strong," said Babione.

Joining Babione on stage for the all hands were J.D. McFarlan, Lockheed Martin vice president of F-35 test and verification; Mike Glass, Lockheed Martin director of the Edwards ITF; and Fred Ross, LM vice president of program management. They discussed the importance of crossing the finish line on the SDD program, while also recognizing five employees for exemplary performance.

"Finishing SDD is a major milestone in this 16-year pro-



Jeff Babione, Lockheed Martin F-35 executive vice president and general manager (far left), is joined on stage by J.D. McFarlan, Lockheed Martin vice president of F-35 test and verification; Mike Glass, Lockheed Martin director of the Edwards ITF; and Fred Ross, LM vice president of program management. (Courtesy photo by Michael D. Jackson/Lockheed Martin)

gram," McFarlan said. "Completing flight test is one of the most visible things we can do to show Congress we are ready for follow-on modernization."

The JSF ITF and the 461st Flight Test Squadron conduct developmental testing for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter.

# Enlisted students can earn advanced degrees at AFIT

From Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

In 2002, then Secretary of the Air Force, Dr. James Roche, championed an initiative to open Air Force Institute of Technology's Graduate School of Engineering and Management to senior enlisted personnel. Secretary Roche truly believed in the importance of the enlisted force to military achievements in science and technology. Two years later, eight Air Force and six Marine Corps senior NCOs received master's degrees from AFIT. To date, more than 100 certificates, master's, and doctoral degrees have been awarded to enlisted personnel. Just recently, AFIT alumnus Senior Master Sgt. Jason Russi was awarded a U.S. patent for work done while a graduate student at AFIT on "Stereoscopic 3-D Presentation for Air Traffic Control Digital Displays."

The Enlisted-to-AFIT program provides enhanced combat capability for diverse career fields with positions requiring a higher degree of education.

Master Sgt. Ronald Mitchell earned a master's degree in materials science from AFIT in 2017. He is currently working as a project engineer at the National Air and Space Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Mitchell shared, "Almost immediately I began seeing the benefits of my advanced degree to the Air Force, to my career field and with the enlisted members I was stationed with. My leadership empowered me, my senior scientists supported me and my peers welcomed me."

Master Sgt. Theodore Holliger, a current AFIT master's student working towards a degree in logistics and supply chain management, stated, "AFIT teaches you to think critically. I don't know where my education will take me, but I do know that no matter where I go, I will be prepared to offer solutions that are viable and defensible to leadership."

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Chief Master Sgt. Todd Simmons (left), 412th Test Wing command chief, talks with Staff Sgt. Noah Clifton, 31st Test and Evaluation Squadron, at the Desert Mall Oct. 21 during a Chief Speed Review session. (U.S. Air Force photo by John Perry)

we've promoted our joint partners by partnering more with our Navy, Marine and coalition partners.

The chief said he had many great memories here and his only disappointment, however slight, was leaving unfinished business.

"I wasn't here long enough to see my two-year vision and General Schaefer's vision come to completion, to see the end of things that are going so well," Simmons said. "It's not that



(U.S. Air Force graphic)

Airmen interested in applying for the 18 to 24-month program must at least be selected for a promotion to technical sergeant with a minimum of eight years time in service, 24 months time on station, have completed their seven skill-level upgrade and possess a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and a Community College of the Air Force degree. In addition to academic transcripts, applicants have to provide test scores from either the Graduate Record Examination or Graduate Management Admission Test, depending upon the specific degree-program requirements. Airmen will incur a three year active duty service commitment upon graduation.

Personnel apply to AFIT based on the Enlisted-to-AFIT Call for Nominations sent out in November each year. Selections are released in the spring.

For more information, please visit [www.afit.edu](http://www.afit.edu).

I wish I had a little longer, but what if I had a little longer?"

He said that if he did have a little longer, he would work on improving quality of life for the families on base.

"I wanted to reopen the movie theater for the community and build a splash pad for free use for the community."

Simmons said those are two things he would have loved to see to completion in his second year. But, they are being worked on, he added.

Simmons also shared some of his thoughts on Edwards and the 412th Test Wing.

"Edwards is a special place. This is truly a jewel of the Air force. Folks that work here at Edwards Air Force Base are absolutely operating at the tip of the spear and the future of the Air Force depends on the work we do here at Edwards. This is the best base the United States Air Force has.

"Hopefully the people who work here hold belief that they have a special mission that will never be repeated anywhere else they go in their Air Force career and that they hold the pride that we're putting out air power that will last generations."

"Thank you to all those who served here," he said. "This will be the highlight of my career, serving at Edwards Air Force Base. I have absolutely enjoyed this job – I've enjoyed everything about this place. There's some sadness to go, but I know I'll take the things I've learned here and apply them to my future responsibilities of educating the Air Force."



# 412th Force Support Squadron upcoming events

## Airman and Family Readiness 277-0723

**Women, Infants and Children Program** is Aug. 7, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Open for both walk-ins and appointments, closed for lunch 12-1 p.m. For an appointment or voucher information, call toll free 1-866-327-3074.

**Federal Employment Workshop** is Aug. 8, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Ten Steps to Federal Employment teaches the easy-to-follow, step-by-step process for analyzing your qualifications through tracking and following up with USAJOBS applications. Registration 24 hours prior to class is required.

**First Term Officers Course** Aug. 8, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. This course will introduce first term officers to all aspects of financial readiness.

**Key Spouse Monthly Training** is Aug. 8, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Monthly training for key spouses on resources and services both on and off base. Sign-ups for evening training are required. Call Airman and Family Readiness.

**Plan My Move** is Aug. 9, 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. It will also ensure you receive valuable information necessary to make informed decisions and alleviate stress that might come with a relocation.

**The Thrift Savings Plan** class is Aug. 10, 2:30-3:30 p.m. This workshop will cover all pertinent information regarding the TSP.

**Pre-Separation Counseling** is Aug. 16, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Start your military transition now. Starting this process early will help you better prepare to have a successful transition from military to civilian life.

## Aero Club 275-AERO

**Realize Your Dreams. Start Flying!** — Introductory flight for a low price now until August 31. Join the thousands of men and women who made their dream a reality. Open to active duty military, DOD and NAF civilians, family members, Civil Air Patrol members, retired military, Guard and Reserve, and others by installation approval. Earn three months free Aero Club membership with your introductory flight. For more information visit [myairforcelife.com/aeroclubs](http://myairforcelife.com/aeroclubs) or contact your local Aero Club to sign up for your introductory flight.

## Club Muroc 275-CLUB

**Kids Klub** is Aug. 8, 5-7 p.m. Games, prizes and club member children eat for free. Adults must supervise their children.

**Club Hold 'Em** is Aug. 17 Game begins at 6 p.m. with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Preregister at the club. Price includes complimentary food.

**Local Brews Beer Night** is Friday, Aug. 18 from 6-8 p.m. Sample the best local brews from the Antelope Valley, plus bonus international beers. Featuring Bravery Brewing, Kinetic Brewing Company, Local Craft Beer, Lucky Luke Brewing and Transplants Brewing Company. Preregister to save on entrance fee.

**Fight Night: UFC 215** is Aug. 19, doors open at 5 p.m. Free for club members.

**Splash Nights** are Fridays, 5-8 p.m. Swim for free and grill your own 7 oz. steak for a price. Hot dogs, chips and sodas also available. Music is also provided. Bring the whole family!

**Kid's Eat Free on Saturdays!** Purchase one adult meal and receive one free kid's meal (under 12). Dine-in only.

**Delivery Service** — Did you know that the club delivers to base housing? Call Monday-Friday from 5-8 p.m. to place your order!

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

**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.

**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.

**Arts & Crafts New Hours** are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Auto Hobby hours** are Wednesday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thursday & Friday, 12 p.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, 12 p.m.-5 p.m.

**Woodshop hours** are Monday and Tuesday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, 12 p.m.-5 p.m.

**Interested In Taking Classes?** We are currently offering: stained glass, paper-crafting, mosaics and cookie/cake decorating. Instructors are also needed.

## Library 275-BOOK

**Summer Reading Program: "Reading by Design"** runs until Aug. 11. Sign-ups will continue throughout the program. Children of all ages are welcome to participate. Join the base library staff every Friday at 10 a.m. for a special Summer Reading Program event. **Aug. 11** is the Grand Finale. There will be a grand prize raffle, refreshments and special guest Eddy Coyote.

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

**Storytime** — Toddlers and pre-school children are invited every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a.m. to enjoy a wonderful story and create very unique craft projects. Volunteer readers are welcome!

## Rosburg Fitness Center 275-GYM1

**Ready to Represent? Become an Air Force Athlete!** Athletes selected for specialized training can participate in an Air Force trial camp. Final team selected at this trial camp advances to represent the Air Force at Armed Forces championships and national competitions. Now

**For more information  
about 412th FSS offerings, visit  
[www.edwardsfss.com/wordpress](http://www.edwardsfss.com/wordpress)**

accepting applications for multiple sports. Visit [MyAirForceLife.com/Sports](http://MyAirForceLife.com/Sports) for info.

**Run with History Half Marathon, 10K & 5K** is Saturday, Oct. 14. Blaze by various past, present and future aircraft on multiple Edwards AFB runways, including the world famous Rogers Dry Lakebed with static displays and historical markers along the route. Sign up today at <http://www.active.com/edwards-ca/running/dis-tance-running-races/run-with-history-half-marathon-10-and-5k-2017>. May be subject to additional administration or convenience fees.



## Adopt me!

Pluto is a sweet young adult that's outgoing and friendly. He is always one of the first cats to always walk up and say hello. He does well with other cats and should adjust fine to a friendly dog. Pluto is an amazing boy who is sure to keep you company. He's completely vetted and in search of a forever home. Call APET at 258-9525 today!

### Outdoor Recreation 275-CAMP

**Rappelling In Tehachapi** is Saturday, Aug. 19 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Register by Aug. 17. Price includes transportation, gear, guide, food and water. Come out and connect with nature and the outdoors through the thrill of rappelling and enjoy the scenic region surrounding Tehachapi.

**Rec-On Paintball Takeover** is Aug. 12, 19 and 26, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Scorpion's Nest Paintball Field. Register at ODR. Small fee includes gear rental, all day air and 2000 rounds of paint. Space is limited to 20 participants per day. Advanced signup is required. Sign up today!

**Single Airmen SCUBA Class** — Do you want to learn to SCUBA dive? Become Scuba Certified. Classes available in August during evenings and weekends. Price includes in-class instruction, pool instruction and an ocean dive. R4R pays the rest. Call ODR for time and schedule to sign up. (Must have a signed High Risk Activity Form before signing up) This is a five-day course with a certified PADI instructor at the local dive shop. You'll need to bring your own gear: mask, fins, snorkel and booties. This is a Single Airmen Program Initiative. Only unaccompanied Airmen and one guest.

**Summer Pool Hours:** Oasis Aquatic Center — Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 6-8 a.m. for lap swimming. Sonic Splash Pool — Wednesday-Friday, 1-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 12-6 p.m. Muroc Pool Splash Night Fridays is 5-8 p.m.

**Overnight Camping at Branch Park** — Low fee for a campsite suitable up to four people. Come and get a wilderness experience right here on base. This is a primitive campground with no portable water, telephones, electricity and no RVs.

**Land Sailing Program** — operates by private bookings only. Must be cleared with the flightline one week prior to scheduled event. If you have any questions, call ODR at 275-2267.

### Rod & Gun 275-CAMP

**"Big 50" Thursdays** — The "Big 50" is an ATA Registered shoot in which each participant shoots 50 single targets, 50 double targets and 50 targets from their handicapped position. Call Outdoor Recreation for more information.

### High Desert Lanes Bowling Center 275-BOWL

**Back to School Bowl** is Aug. 10, 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Price includes three games of Glow Bowl and shoe rental.

**Kids Bowl Free Program** — Register your child for a spring and summer fun bowling pass and receive two free games of bowling a day this spring and summer (shoe rental cost not included). To register, go to [www.kidsbowlfree.com/AirForce](http://www.kidsbowlfree.com/AirForce). All KBF members are invited to the KBF Bowling Parties July 25 and Aug. 29 from 3-6 p.m. Enjoy unlimited bowling, shoe rental, two slices of cheese pizza and a drink for a low price per person, per party.

**R4R Single Airman Glow Bowl Nights** are Saturdays from 8 p.m.-midnight. Single Airmen will receive unlimited games and shoes for glow-in-the-dark bowling for free. There will be music and a fun atmosphere for all. Must show valid military ID. Offer ends Aug. 26.

### Muroc Lake Golf Course 275-PUTT

**Customer Satisfaction Survey** — Muroc Lake Golf Course strives to deliver the best possible golfing experience to its customers on every round. We are always eager to hear what our customers have to say and we'd like to invite you to complete our customer survey. Our survey is short and to the point and we encourage you to be open and candid with your feedback. Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you soon. Please visit the Muroc Lake golf Course to fill out a paper survey or head to the following link to complete the survey online: <https://gsp.ngf.org/cgi/start.asp?SC=Edwards-MurocLake>.

**Single Airman Golf Special** — Single Airmen can enjoy 18 holes, cart, burger, fries and drink for a small price. Rental sets are provided for no charge if needed. Limited to the first 100 participants. Single Airmen are Air Force active duty or Air Reserve Component personnel permanently assigned to an Air Force installation or Air Force-led joint base without a spouse and a guest. Must be 18 years or older with a valid driver's license.

**Kids Drive Free** is now until Aug. 31, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Visit the Muroc Lake Golf Course Pro Shop to receive two free tokens per day for junior golfers.

### Youth Programs 275-5437

**Before and After School Care** enrollment for school year 2017-2018 is now open. Please come to the School Age Annex (Bldg. 6459) to complete a Request for Care form. Care is available Monday-Friday, 6:15 a.m.-6 p.m. Before school only; after school only; and before and after care are available. We also provide full-time care during school vacations.

### Teen Center 275-8336

**YES (Youth Employment Skills)** helps teens earn money for college. Open to teens whose parent is active duty Air Force. Earn up to \$1000 towards post high school education.

**Keystone Club** meets every Wednesday at 2:15 p.m. at the Teen Center. The Keystone Club is a leadership club that performs community service projects around the base.

**Youth and Teen Centers Memberships** — For about a dollar a day, you could have peace of mind knowing that your son or daughter is in a safe environment - an environment that fosters development and offers constant supervision, tutoring and fun. The Youth and Teen Centers offer social opportunities and structured programming from affiliated agencies such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and the 4-H Club.

### Information, Tickets and Travel 275-TRIP

**ITT Pricelist & Other Events:** To see the current ITT price list for events, parks, hotels and discount information, visit [www.edwardsfss.com/wordpress/travel/itt](http://www.edwardsfss.com/wordpress/travel/itt).

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**Cruise Crazy** — Have you ever wanted to take a cruise but didn't think you could afford it? Now is the time to get your sea legs in gear and get over to the ITT office because the prices are lower than sea level. Call the ITT office today.

## 412th Security Forces Squadron issues speeding citations

The 412th Security Forces Squadron issued 18 speeding citations and processed three driving suspensions from July 24 through July 30.

### Citations issued

1 to 10 mph.....	4
11 to 15 mph.....	6
16 to 20 mph.....	3
21 to 24 mph.....	4
25+ mph .....	1

### Driving privilege

### suspensions (current)

15 days .....	1
30 days .....	1
60 days .....	0
90 days .....	1
180 days (six months) .....	0
365 days (one year) .....	22
730 days (two years) .....	0
1,095 days (three years) .....	1

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.



# Exchange senior enlisted advisor drops by Edwards

From Army and Air Force Exchange Service Public Affairs

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service's senior enlisted advisor is making it his mission to ensure servicemembers and families at Edwards Air Force Base have the products they deserve, whether shopping in-store or online.

During his July 31-Aug. 1 visit to Edwards, Chief Master Sgt. Luis Reyes toured Exchange facilities and met with Chief Master Sgt. Daryl Baldosser, 412th Mission Support Group superintendent, to address how the 122-year-old DOD retailer can better serve the base populace.

"The Exchange is every Airman's wingman when it comes to readiness and resiliency," Reyes said. "We are committed to providing exceptional service to the Edwards community and we want to make sure we get it right. Competitive pricing and tax-free shopping make the Exchange a tremendous value for those who have earned the right to shop their Exchange," Reyes said. "If shoppers can't find what they need in-store, the Exchange's online site, [www.shopmyexchange.com](http://www.shopmyexchange.com), puts an expanded product assortment at their fingertips."

The Exchange's site has been upgraded with improved navigation, extended product selection and faster shipping, with orders received by noon shipping the very same day. The upgrades ensure the Exchange is prepared to welcome home all honorably discharged Veterans with a lifetime online shopping benefit starting on Veterans Day.

Extending an online exchange benefit to America's honorably discharged Veterans strengthens the exchanges' on-line business to better serve current shoppers. Larger retailers stand to offer a better merchandise assortment at more competitive prices with increased customer-valued service options. The Veterans online shopping benefit will improve the exchange benefit and experience for every member of the military community.

"Items are added online daily, so it's worth it to keep checking the site regularly to see what's new," Reyes said. "What's more, [www.shopmyexchange.com](http://www.shopmyexchange.com) carries a wide assortment of best-selling national brands at all price points, and everything is just a click away."

Authorized shoppers receive free shipping on orders of \$50 or more, but shipping is always free when paying with a MILITARY STAR card. The MILITARY STAR card also rewards Airmen and their families each time they use the card both online and in-store.

"Cardholders earn two points for every \$1 on the installation or at [www.shopmyexchange.com](http://www.shopmyexchange.com)," Reyes said.

Shoppers receive a \$20 Exchange rewards card for every



Chief Master Sgt. Luis Reyes, Army and Air Force Exchange Service's senior enlisted advisor, poses for a photo with Exchange employee Rikkie DeMary after Reyes presented her with an AAFES coin for a job well done Aug. 1. Reyes visited the Edwards Exchange and also met with 412th Mission Support Group leadership during a two-day visit to the base. (U.S. Air Force photo by Kenji Thuloweit)

2,000 points earned and the rewards card can be redeemed anywhere Exchange gift cards are accepted.

Every time Airmen shop their Exchange, whether on base or online, funds are generated to improve life at Edwards. For every dollar earned, the Exchange returns 67 cents to military quality-of-life programs, including Outdoor Recreation programs, combat uniform support and more.

"Last year, the Edwards Exchange generated nearly \$475,000 on behalf of Air Force quality-of-life programs. Every time shoppers go to an Exchange, they are making Edwards a great place to live and work."

Reyes is one of roughly 30 active-duty service members assigned to the Exchange. The Exchange also employs approximately 35,000 civilian associates worldwide. During his visit, he thanked Edwards associates for their passion and dedication.

"Since 1895, the Exchange has provided a lifeline to America's service members and their families," Reyes said, adding that 95 percent of Edwards Exchange associates have a military connection. "Exchange is family serving family. Whether supporting troops downrange or here at home, we're all in for the best customers in the world."

The senior enlisted advisor reports directly to the director/CEO. Reyes acts as the voice of the Exchange, traveling to military installations worldwide to educate with garrison and wing leadership, as well as customers about the Exchange and benefits to patrons. He also brings issues back to the command to be resolved/implemented.

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# Run with History

Half Marathon / 10K / 5K

October 14, 2017

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## This Week in Edwards History

On Aug. 2, 2006, a C-5 Galaxy taxied across a series of ramps laid out on Rogers Dry Lakebed as part of its Reliability Enhancement and Re-Engining Program. The taxi runs tested the structural integrity and movement of the aircraft's new engines and pylons under rough conditions. (Edwards History Office file photo)

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**POC:** Alicia Castro  
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# EXCHANGE

(Army and Air Force Exchange Service logo)

## Vets can shop online Nov. 11

As the Department of Defense's military exchange services prepare to welcome potentially 13 million honorably discharged veterans back to their military families this coming Veteran's Day, [www.VetVerify.org](http://www.VetVerify.org) has launched to confirm eligibility to receive lifelong military exchange online shopping.

Veterans may log onto [www.VetVerify.org](http://www.VetVerify.org), which will use information from the DOD's Defense Manpower Data Center's records and inform them of their ability to access this new benefit. If a veteran's record has character of service data and that data meets the criteria for the online benefit, the veteran will be verified to shop. Then, beginning Nov. 11, the veteran can log onto to the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps and Navy Exchange websites at [www.shop-myexchange.com](http://www.shop-myexchange.com), [www.shopcgx.com](http://www.shopcgx.com), [www.mymcx.com](http://www.mymcx.com) and [www.mynavyexchange.com](http://www.mynavyexchange.com) for tax-free shopping. If a veteran's information is incomplete, [www.VetVerify.org](http://www.VetVerify.org) will provide guidance on next steps.

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