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Wizard takes flight as High Rollers' first-ever Pilot for a Day

By 2nd Lt. Emerson Marcus 152nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

RENO — Every pilot gets a call sign, but they don't

William Hunter, 13, received four finalists for his call lic affairs manager, who oversaw the organization of sign: Kittens Mittens, Chef, Lotto and Wizard.

joys baking. Third, given the 152nd Airlift Wing "hit serving child with some fun and enjoyment, if only for the jackpot" recruiting him into the ranks and fourth a day, as a member of the 152nd Airlift Wing High because Hunter is a fan of the J.K. Rowling book and Rollers. I was shocked and humbled that so many of movie series "Harry Potter."

It was a tough choice, but in the end, "Wizard" took ing this an unforgettable event." flight.

ing a ceremony in front of more than 150 Nevada Air "classified" mission before he received a tour of the Guardsmen in the Wing's auditorium — was one of 152nd Airlift Wing's C-130 aircraft. Hunter also visited Public Affairs. several events Hunter experienced during the 152nd the base firehouse, security forces' weapons simulator Airlift Wing's inaugural Pilot for a Day program held training system and the Federal Aviation Administra-Dec. 16, 2019 at the Nevada Air National Guard Base tion's air traffic control tower before the day concluded in Reno. Pilot for a Day is an Air Force-wide program with his retirement ceremony in the Wing headquarthat provides chronically-ill children a chance to enter ters' auditorium. Air Force life.

surgeries throughout his life.

Renown Children's Hospital nominated Hunter to be a Nevada Air National Guard Pilot for a Day.

"This brought the base together and added perspective to each and every High Roller's life," said Senior Within hours of his commission, Capt. Tennyson Master Sgt. Paula Macomber, 152nd Airlift Wing pubthe unit's first-ever Pilot for a Day program. "It gave First, for his love of cats. Second, because he en- us a chance during the holiday season to provide a demy co-workers put so much care and energy into mak-

The day started with Hunter swearing in for a one-The naming of Hunter's call sign — announced durday oath of commission. Pilots briefed him on his

"Special things like this transcend many of our day-Hunter, or "Tenny" as many call him, has Kabuki to-day tasks," said Maj. Joseph Jaquish, who briefed Syndrome, a congenital disorder triggered by a ge- Hunter's mission and organized his call-sign ceremonetic mutation that affects multiple organ systems and ny. "The Air Force focuses a lot on metrics, data and causes developmental delays. He has had over a dozen other numbers, but some projects go beyond numbers. You can't quantify this. It was much bigger than that. It **CLICK HERE FOR MORE PHOTOS**

Capt. Tennison Hunter (call sign "Wizard"), 192nd Airlift Wing pilot stops to pose for a photo during his Pilot for a Day event. The 152nd Airlift Wing honored "Wizard" for an entire day on Dec. 16, 2019. He was sworn in that morning and retired at the end of the day. Photo by Staff Sgt. Matthew Lee Greiner, 152nd Airlift Wing

felt so nice to be part of something special."

Jaquish added: "What made the day so enjoyable was that Capt. Hunter was such a wonderful kid. I don't want people to lose sight of that. Renown did a good job nominating him for this event."

Macomber said the 152nd Airlift Wing plans to organize a Pilot for a Day event annually at the base. For nominations, contact her at 775-788-4515 or paula.s.macomber.mil@mail.mil.

Col. Hammons' NOTAM

Readiness and Resolve

By Col. Jacob Hammons, Commander, 152nd Airlift Wing



Second World War. (Photo courtesy of Getty Images from HistoryExtra.com) It is 2020 people! For many of us, the dawning of a new decade signals

Firemen tackle a blitz fire amidst the rubble surrounding St. Paul's Cathedral, London, during the

renewed hope, optimism, and eager engagement of new methods to solve our toughest problems. Many of us make resolutions this time of year statistically most of us will break them by mid-February. In the spirit of resolution, let us delve into a topic that I consider of paramount importance to our effectiveness as a military organization – RESOLVE.

In the U.S. Air Force, we obsess over Readiness metrics. Unit, Medical, Deployment, Aircraft Readiness; we wring our hands over percentages and colors on slides. But we rarely talk about resolve, which the U.K. Royal Air Force (RAF) deems to be equally important to warfighting effectiveness. Readiness and Resolve complement each other and lead military units to the decisive point in battle.

Resolve: firm mental decision or intention

My favorite example to illustrate the impact resolve can have on winning wars is Great Britain during World War II. Although a superpower, Great Britain was not ready for the onslaught attack on their shores that Germany swiftly presented in the fall of 1940. Although Great Britain possessed a technologically superior air defense system and fighter aircraft, the Germans overwhelming number of bombers and fighters wore down the British defenses. However, the steadfast resolve of Winston Churchill and his military leadership convinced both the Royal Air Force members and more importantly, the British civilian populace, that overcoming the adversity that the attacks on the home soil presented was the only path to victory (spoiler alert: history proved Churchill correct). A genius with the turn of phrase, Churchill said, "It is not enough that we do our best; sometimes we must do what is required." This simple sentence captures the essence of resolve. In a great power struggle, neither side can ever truly be "ready." Adaptability and resolve are the keys to success. Churchill also said, "Continuous effort – not strength or intelligence – is the key to unlocking our potential." The more we sweat in peace, the less we bleed in war – and that sweat equity teaches us how to deal with adverse and complex situations.

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2019 Kids Christmas Party

Family Programs

By Fred Barton, Airman and Family Readiness Manager



Santa and Mrs. Claus traded their sleigh for a Nevada Air National Guard Fire Truck as they arrived at the Boys and Girls club of Truckee Meadows and were greeted by excited kids of all ages. (Photo by Fred Barton, the Airman & Family Readiness Manager for 152nd Airlift Wing/Released)

The Nevada Air National Guard Airman and Family Readiness Program Manager and Nevada Army National Guard Child and Youth Coordinator hosted its annual Christmas party for 450, military families, veterans and wounded warriors.

The Nevada National Guard Family Programs converted the Boys and Girls club into a winter wonderland, with food, games, letters to Santa and pictures with Santa.

The Nevada National Guard Family Programs could never coordinate an event of this magnitude without support from our local community partners. Special thanks goes to Northern Nevada United Service Organizations (USO) for donating all the food, drinks and assorted pizzas. Also, additional thanks goes out to the following supporting organizations: 152nd Airlift Wing Morale, Welfare and Recreation group with funds to

support the event, New West Distributing and Model Dairy for donating

water, milk and juice, Reno Harrah's Hotel for donating Christmas cookies, Reno chapter of the American Red Cross for serving all the food, Blue Star mothers of Northern Nevada, for making popcorn and cotton candy, Military OneSource, and the 152nd Airlift Wing Key Volunteers. Thanks for everyone who participated to make this an exciting, memorable and fun event for all who attended!





for the menu!



Celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

day of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It is observed on the third Monday of January each year, around the time of King's birthday, January 15. This year, the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service will be recognized on Jan. 20, 2020. In the eleven-year period between 1957 and 1968, King traveled over six

million miles and spoke over twenty-five hundred times, bringing protest

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a U.S. federal holiday marking the birth-

and action wherever there was injustice. In the words of Dr. King, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'" The national recurring theme of this holiday is "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On... Not A Day Off." It calls upon the American people to engage in public service and promote peaceful social change. Dr. King's

unfinished movement toward equality can be achieved by our united, enduring efforts. While others were advocating for freedom by "any means necessary," including violence, Dr. King used the power of words and acts of nonvio-

lent resistance, such as protests, grassroots organizing, and civil disobedience to achieve seemingly-impossible goals. He is the only non-president to have a national holiday dedicated in his honor, and is the only non-president memorialized on the National Mall in the Nation's Capital.

In 1964, at 35 years old, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. became the youngest person to win the Nobel Peace Prize. He was assassinated on April 4, 1968

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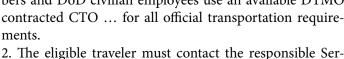
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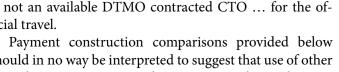
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Members must sign-in with the hotel representatives to ensure they are accounted for in the rooms. Failure to sign-in or not showing up for a confirmed reservation will result in by-name

notification to AW/CC. The cut-off day for reserving a room is COB three days prior to drill. The cut-off day to cancel reservations is COB two days prior to drill. Members are authorized Friday night stays if they are outside the commuting distance. Please see the map on OneHome.

Members on any type of orders will make their own reservations and pay for it on their GTC. Services provides at least two

base billeting list updates during the month to provide a list of members who are currently signed up for lodging. All RUTA lodging requests must be submitted NLT 72 hours before needed and all RUTA lodging is provided at Stead. If

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