

Team Minot welcomes Secretary of the Air Force Frank Kendall for the holidays! The SecAF met with Airmen of the 5th Bomb Wing and 91st Missile Wing, recognizing some outstanding individuals and touring Minot Air Force Base. Because of their 24/7 commitment to maintaining our nation's strategic defense posture, some Airmen do not get the chance to see their families for the holidays. Secretary Kendall took the time to thank these Airmen for their dedication to the mission and the sacrifices they make to ensure the safety of the U.S and it's allies. See next week for more covereage.

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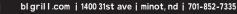
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# **ICBM Deployments: A Balance to Meet Operational Needs** and Promote Personal Predictability

### AIRMAN 1ST CLASS ALLISON MARTIN, MINOT AIR FORCE BASE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D. - Going on alert and tripping out away from your home to a missile alert facility for a week every three weeks sounds daunting to most, but this life is normal for most of the 91st Missile Wing. For the men and women who support one of the nation's most strategic assets in the Department of Defense, the missile squadron deployment cycle has a significant implication on training, family stability, morale, and as a result their ability to proficiently carry out their missions.

The struggles brought on by COVID-19 initiated the change in creating a new deployment construct. Since March 2020, the 91st Missile Wing turned to a squadron-centric deployment model that meets operational requirements but also provides more predictability for their Airmen in both professional and personal capacities. As with implementing any new system, overcoming challenges poses a hurdle but not a barrier.

The new, three-week, rotational deployment model puts the Missile Alert Facility Team of Facility Managers, Chefs, Defenders, and Operators in the field (away from home) for a week at a time, followed by a reset at home station, then a week of preparing before the cycle repeats.

The deployment model used before presented one schedule for the missileers and another for the rest of the supporting



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> COL. KRISTEN NEMISH, 91ST OPERATIONS GROUP COMMANDER



teams. The Missileers' schedule also known as ATO (Alert., Travel, Off day) was a three day cycle. Defenders, Facility Managers and Chefs spent four or five days out in the field and then came home for a week, but also had to fit in two to three days of training during that same week at home.

"The challenge with the ATO model is that it lacked stability, and it lacked predictability for our operators," said Col. Kristen Nemish, 91st Operations Group commander.

The new model of scheduling allows Airmen to see their schedule in advance, giving them more confidence when they make plans, schedule medical or personal appointments or request leave. "The old [ATO] was

unpredictable. This one is predictable because you know when you're off, you know when you have training and you know when you're on alert. You can plan the next six months based on this new construct," said Captain Shaday Mitchell, missile combat crew commander and instructor. "There are mixed views on it, especially depending on your dynamics."

More time off also means more time on and, though most people like this idea, it can be hard for people with families and pets. Being away from family and having one



Misileers from the 91st Missile Wing performing their duties at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

parent take over or having to get childcare for a whole week can be a challenge. However, Minot Air Force Base has childcare options which are helpful for those families. One such program, called Missile Kids, brings in someone from

the community to take care of kids while the Airman deploys to the missile alert facility. This program brings the community together and allows people who trip out on alert together to have an added sense of comfort while away from home.



in the 1980s. scheduling issues and increase (Linda Aldrich, from nps.gov) opportunities for female Airm After the integration, SAC stressed the importance of guaranteeing equal career progression for men and women. This was one major step forward in the journey towards women's equality in the armed forces.



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"It's a lot easier on the family because they know if I'm going to be home for events and other stuff," said Tech Sgt. Shane Wilson, senior facility manager.

The predictability extends to those outside of the Launch Control Center as well. Now each missile squadron is paired up with a security forces squadron, encouraging the added benefit of on-the-job comradery with those outside of their own career field. It also allows any problem to get solved faster, at a lower level.

The previous deployment model seemed to always have last minute changes. Now that those issues have been addressed and fixed, it makes for a better security forces team.

"A benefit that we didn't expect from the new construct was that we were going to get so much synergy between missile squadrons, chefs, and defenders," said Nemish."Problems get solved at the squadron commander level. Why? Because the operations and security forces squadron commanders deploy their teams together every three weeks. Mv commanders have been paired with the same security forces commander since they took the flag."

Finally, with a more predictable field schedule, the new deployment model makes training more flexible.

"They have the ability to schedule more training and get you spun up a little bit faster, "said Wilson. "It works really well for us training new facility managers because we have a whole week with them in the field as opposed to before we had to pull back to backs to get them certified."

On the operations side of the house, the impacts resonate as well.

"Under the old construct you had to figure out how to fit training into the ATO schedule. So sometimes your day off was actually a training day," said Nemish." Now we do all our training as a squadron on a rotational basis that is predictable and we have more flexibility to add additional training if we have an operational need to." Squadron deployment has been in place for over a year now and has proven itself to be an upgrade from the previous models in many ways. It allows for more organized predictable scheduling, training and time off. There are always areas to improve, but the pros provide a variety of benefits to the entire 91 Missile Wing.











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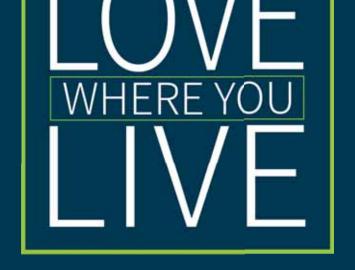
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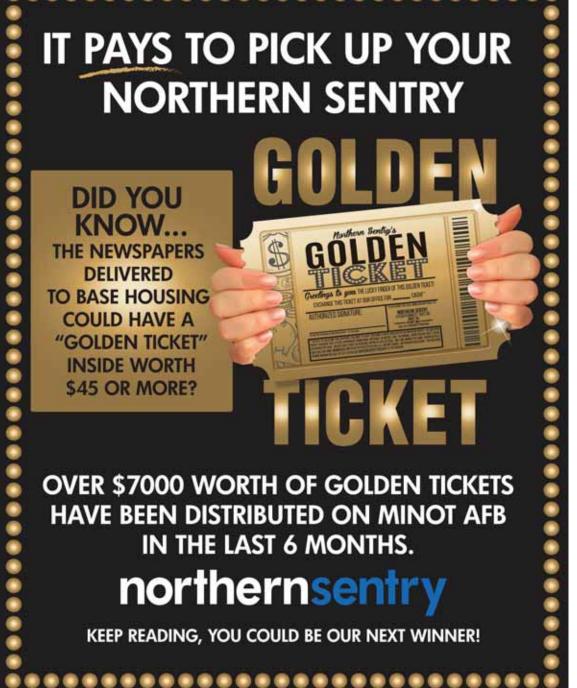
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A VIEW FROM OUR SIDE ROD WILSON, NORTHERN SENTRY

Tonight the big ball drops in Time Square and we celebrate the dawn of a new year, 2022. Most people I talk to can hardly wait for 2021 to be in our rear view mirror. Certainly, there were a lot of challenges in 2021, the most recent was that of a new COVID 19 variant, Omicron. Spending time with Grandkids at Christmas is always a joy, and my oldest Grandson, Carter, is pretty sure that Omicron will be the last of the COVID 19 variants. I hope he is right.

It used to be that the largest challenge of turning the calendar to a new year was changing the year on our checks. With so few checks being written, that challenge has certainly diminished. So, what is my largest challenge as I take my first step into 2022? Having been around Minot Air Force Base as a reporter for almost three years, I look ahead knowing that 2022 will be the change of command as both Col Walters and Col Menuey will soon say good-bye to Minot, North Dakota, and Minot Air Force Base. I believe that if not my largest challenge, it would be one of the top five to say farewell to the Walters and Menuey families. There will be other changes. John McMartin will be retiring as the Executive Director of the Minot Chamber/ EDC. We will also have a new Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, Tom Rafferty. So yes, there will be a lot of changes in 2022 and as before we will all learn to deal with those changes. But there is something that will not change, no matter what year comes up on the calendar. The dedication of the men and women at Minot Air Force Base, and the continued support of the community of Minot for our base and those who serve their country in our military. Happy New Year 2022! Well that chapter has yet to be written, and in 365 days we once again will talk about expectations for 2023.



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**JANUARY 2021** 



# **BUFFS DEPLOY TO** THE MIDDLE EAST

A U.S. Air Force B-52H Stratofortress from Minot Air Force Base, N.D., is refueled by a KC-135 Stratotanker in the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility Dec. 30, 2020. The short-notice deployment underscores the U.S. military's commitment to regional security and demonstrates a unique ability to rapidly deploy overwhelming combat power on short notice. The B-52H is a long-range, heavy bomber that is capable of flying at high subsonic speeds at altitudes of up to 50,000 feet and provides the United States with immediate global strike capability.

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# **F-16S ESCORT BOMBERS THROUGH CENTCOM**

U.S. Air Force B-52 Stratofortresses from Minot Air Force Base fly in formation with U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcons and Royal Saudi Arabian Air Force F-15SAs over the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility Jan. 7, 2021. The bomber deployment underscores the U.S. military's commitment to regional security and demonstrates a unique ability to rapidly deploy on short notice. The B-52 is a long-range, heavy bomber that is capable of flying at high subsonic speeds at altitudes of up to 50,000 feet and provides the United States with a global strike capability.

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**COVID-19 VACCINE ARRIVES AT MINOT AFB** 

Chaplain Maj. General Steven Schaick, U.S. Air Force chief of Col. Christopher Menuey, 91st Missile Wing Commander recieves his first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine on Jan. 11, 2021 at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. The first members of Team Minot to recieve the vaccine were first responders and mission essential personnel.

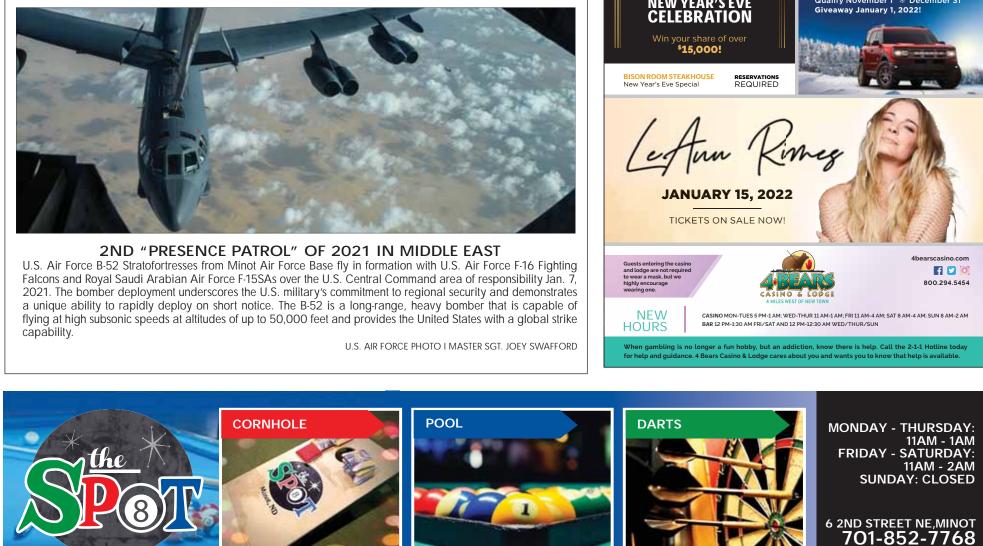
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# 2021 LOADCREW OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

Airmen from the 23rd and 69th Bomb Squadron Weapon Load Crews compete in the annual load crew of the year competition on Jan. 19, 2021 at Minot Air Force Base, ND. The competition is held annually to determine the best load crew.

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FEBRUARY 2021



**SUPER BOWL LV FLYOVER** Air Force Global Strike Command bombers perform the Super Bowl LV flyover at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Fla., Jan. 7, 2021. The trifecta was the first of its kind as it included a B-1B Lancer from Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D., a B-2 Spirit from Whiteman AFB, Mo., and a B-52H Stratofortress from Minot AFB, N.D.

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NEW AIRCRAFT PARTS STORE OPENS FOR THE FLIGHT LINE Col. Michael Walters, 5th Bomb Wing commander, cuts the ribbon for the new Aircraft Parts Store Feb. 9, 2021. The APS is a Logistics Readiness Squadron

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROCLAMATION Minot Air Force Base leadership sign a Black History Month proclamation at the launch of Black History Month February 5, at the Minot Main Exchange.

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MINOT MAYOR SHAUN SIPMA VISITS TEAM MINOT

Honorable Shaun Sipma, Mayor of Minot, North Dakota, Lt. Colonel Brad Haynes, 5th Operations Support Squadron commander, and the flight crew pose in front of a B-52 Feb. 24, 2021 at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. Minot AFB often gives incentive flights to strengthen relationships between Team Minot and Minot township.



# DIVERSE TEAM SUPPORTS MMIII OPERATIONAL TEST LAUNCH

Capt. Tarina Crook, 741st Missile Squadron missile combat crew commander at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, poses for a photo in front of the 576th Flight Test Squadron headquarters at Vandenberg AFB, California, Feb. 18, 2021. Crook was one of the six Minuteman III operators selected for the operational test launch of MMIII, referred to as Glory Trip 237. The unarmed MMIII intercontinental ballistic missile was launched at 11:49 p.m. PT Feb. 23, 2021.

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Take time for yourself – It can be easy to lose yourself during the holidays. Remember to take time for yourself to rest and recharge. Be realistic with finances – The short-term joy of giving should not result in the pain of long-term debt.

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**Set boundaries** – family gatherings can be stressful, communicate expectations clearly and say "no" when appropriate.

**Be realistic and forgiving (to yourself and others)** – Perfectionism is a dangerous practice. Give yourself (and others) grace and space when things don't go according to plan.

**Practice mindfulness in the moment** – It's easy to get caught up looking ahead and reflecting this time of year. Intentionally focus on the here and now so you don't miss a moment with family and friends.

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# **MARCH 2021**



WISE GUY RETURNS TO SERVICE A B-52H Stratofortress "Wise Guy" lands on March 9, 2021 at Minot Air Force Base, ND. Wise Guy is one of the last B-52's to be resurrected from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.

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BOMBER TASK FORCE MISSION TO MIDDLE EAST

Pilots from the 69th Bomb Squadron board B-52H Stratofortress bomber "Wham Bam II" in preparation for a flight on March 6, 2021, at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. Strategic bomber missions enhance the readiness and training necessary to respond to any potential crisis or challenge across the globe.

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WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

To begin the celebrations for Women's History Month, Team Minot hosted a cake cutting ceremony and proclamation signing at the Base Exchange on March 5, 2021. Women's History Month is an annual celebration of the women's contributions to events in history and to today's society, and an important reminder of the progress that women have made in the U.S. military.

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### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ALL WOMEN ALL-FEMALE COMMAND POST

Women missileers from the 740th Missile Squadron pose for a photo in the 91 Operations Support Squadron missile procedure trainer on March 8, 2021, at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. These women participated in an all women key turn in observance of International Women's Day at Minot Air Force Base.

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### HOLLYANNE MILLEY VISITS MINOT AIR FORCE BASE

Hollyanne Milley, the wife of Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Mark Milley, speaks to a member of the base's welcome center March 26, 2021, at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. Milley toured all the quality-of-life facilities and initiatives at Minot AFB.

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91 MW SELM 2nd Lt. William Young, 741st Missile Squadron missile combat crew commander, and 1st Lt. Darian Titus, 741st Missile Squadron deputy missile combat crew commander, pose for a photo after a Simulated Electronic Launch Minuteman exercise on April 7, 2021, at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. The SELM exercise provides an end-to-end test of the launch capabilities of the ICBM process.

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MOBILE COMMAND POST Airmen of the 5th Bomb Wing Command Post and 5th Communications Squadron work in tandem to set up the mobile Single-Channel, Anti-Jam, Man-Portable system on Apr. 15, 2021, at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. The mobile SCAMP system provides mobile, secure, satellite-based command and control communications

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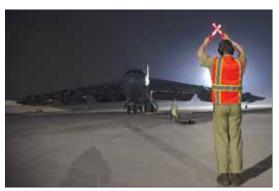
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### **B-52S ARRIVE AT AL UDEID AB IN** SUPPORT OF AFGHANISTAN DRAWDOWN

A B-52H Stratofortress assigned to the 5th Bomb Wing, Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, arrives April 26, 2021, at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. Two B-52 aircraft arrived April 26, joining the additional B-52 bombers that arrived April 23. The bombers are deployed to protect U.S. and coalition forces as they conduct drawdown operations from Afghanistan. U.S. Central Command is committed to providing the necessary force protection to ensure the drawdown is conducted in a safe and orderly manner.

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**CSAF GENERAL BROWN** VISITS MINOT AFB

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Charles Q. Brown, Jr. and members of a congressional delegation, arrive on April 29, 2021, at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. The Congressional Delegation and Brown were greeted by Team Minot leaders, such as the 5th Bomb Wing commander, Col. Michael Walters and the 91st Missile Wing commander, Col. Christopher Menuey. The Congressional Delegation and Brown were accompanied by many Air Force Global Strike Command leaders as well as members from 8th Air Force

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**TEAM MINOT HOSTS** DISTINGUISHED VISITORS On April 29-30, 2021, Minot Air Force Base, N.D., hosted U.S. senators from the Armed Service Committee. From left to right: Sen. Joni Ernst, Sen. Deb Fischer, Sen. John Hoeven, Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, and Sen. Angus King.



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ROD WILSON, NORTHERN SENTRY

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**BRIG. GEN. ANGELLO MAFB VISIT** Brig. Gen. Anthony P. Angello visits Minot Air Force Base May 6, 2021. Angello toured through a launch facility trainer and other departments of the 5th Bomb Wing and 91st Missile Wing.

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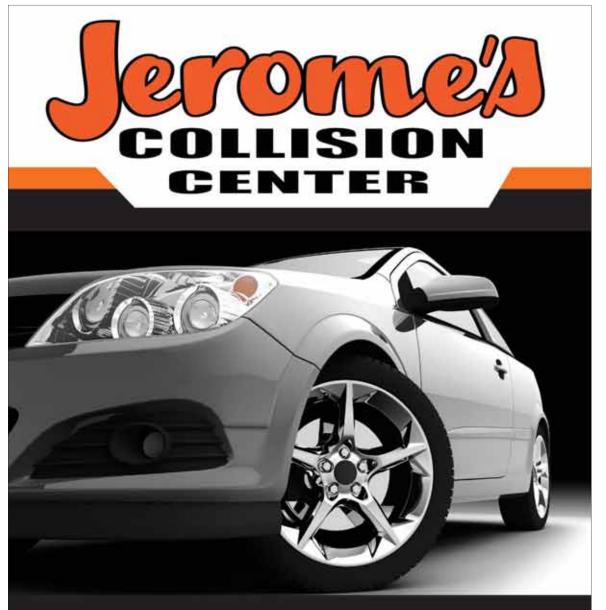
MAJ. GEN WEATHERINGTON VISITS TEAM MINOT Maj. Gen. Mark E. Weatherington, 8th Air Force and Joint-Global Strike Operations Center commander, visited Minot AFB this week to tour the base and connect with Warbird Airmen.

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**CMSAF VISITS MINOT AFB** Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Joanne Bass visited Minot Air Force Base last week. CMSAF had the opportunity to tour a B-52 and attend all calls with the enlisted airmen of Minot AFB that included aircraft maintainers, the 91st Missile Wing, and the 5th Medical Group.

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Coat the inside of a cast iron skillet with oil and preheat the skillet in the grill for 10 minutes. When skillet is hot, sauté diced peppers, stirring every few minutes until desired doneness. While peppers are cooking, whisk together the eggs, milk, salt and pepper to taste. Add the beaten eggs to the skillet and scramble. Add cheese to the skillet when the eggs are almost done.

Remove eggs and heated brisket from grill. Serve eggs in a tortilla topped with brisket. Top with salsa or guacamole if desired. Enjoy!

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# JUNETEENTH IN MINOT

On June 19, 2021, the Minot African American Heritage Council held a community block party to celebrate the first federally recognized Juneteenth National Independence Day. People from all over Minot gathered to have fun and commemorate the freeing of African American slaves in 1865, as well as to reflect upon the strides that the African American community has made since then in the fight for equity and equality.

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On June 29, 2021, members of Team Minot gathered for a groundbreaking ceremony at the track outside of the McAdoo Fitness Center at Minot Air Force Base, N.D. The 5th Civil Engineer Squadron, 5th Force Support Squadron, and KEU, Inc. will be collaborating to build a new outdoor track which will consist of an updated rubberized path and synthetic turf field. Leadership also hopes to install an inflatable dome in the future so that the track can be used year-round.

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**BOMBER TASK FORCE RETURN** Col. Michael Walters, Commander of the 5th Bomb Wing & Chief Master Sergeant Timothy Wieser Command Chief for the 5th Bomb Wing welcome back Airmen from BTF mission to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam.

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**PRAIRIE VIGILANCE** Team Minot in action during Exercise Prairie Vigilance! Prairie Vigilance tests the 5th Bomb Wing's ability to conduct strategic-bomber readiness operations.

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### 2021 YOU MATTER SUMMER GAMES

Team Minot hosts the 7th Annual You Matter Summer Games at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, Aug 20, 2021. Team Minot Airmen participate in multiple events throughout the day such as water sports, dodgeball, basketball, tug-of-war and other activites. The winners of the 2021 Summer Games are 5th Civil Engineering Squadron in first place, Force Support Squadron in second and 891 Security Forces in third.

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# Northern Celebrations

# Eider's joy

# Patricia Stockdill

I know any and all dog trainers, especially those training and working towards hunting dog tests and trials, would cringe at Eider's antics as the 2021 pheasant season drew down.

But I don't care. Eider was having the time of her life and she radiated with joy.

You see, this beloved Hunting Maniac of a 12 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-year-old deaf Brittany with a degenerative heart condition really hasn't had much of an opportunity to retrieve birds.

It's not for lack of trying, we've been afield as much as possible this year and she's doing well. To see her one wouldn't realize her age and heart issue.

She's had lots of opportunities to scent and even point pheasants - a surprising number of birds, actually, because the summer's drought wasn't presenting a positive outlook for this fall's hunting potential.

It's just that the birds really haven't cooperated all that much. For some reason it seems they were flighty even early in the season. That's a tactic they often reserve for later in the year when juveniles wise up a bit and weather makes them on edge.

Admittedly, her hunter wasn't the sharpest this year for some reason and a hunting vest with a multitude of empty shells didn't equate to a hunting vest with birds in the pouch.

But this time things were different. Eider and I decided to hunt an area where success has eluded not only us, but everyone else in the family. It's an area where crafty roosters usually flush through the trees and never present a decent shoot even though the dogs are locked on point. The birds always seem to know which side of the trees and shrubs we're on and they safely fly into heavy creek bottom cover.

Eider and I decided to walk the creek for a short morning hunt before the wind did its usual North Dakota thing. Pheasant tracks slithered through the heavy cover and Eider was oh-so-birdy, so intent on the wonderful smells.

She locked on point. It was evident the bird wasn't about to move so I cautiously kicked around, anticipating something flushing directly in front of my face. I released Eider because I wasn't having any luck. It flushed.

l shot.

Twice. The bird fell, did what many pheasants will do, and ran. Eider followed in fast pursuit.

Unsure if the rooster decided to detour into the slough

dogs do – find and retrieve birds.

It's just that we waited almost all season for the opportunity.

But this is why I know dog trainers will be disappointed in me:

I let my proud, deaf, old hunting dog take her bird all of the way back to my vehicle.

She ran.

She pranced.

She held her head high as she headed back to her destination, first along the creek; then along the hillside, back past a large chokecherry thicket, up to the trail, up the hill, and stood.

Over the rooster.

Next to my vehicle.

I was somewhere back in the distance walking in her running footprints, watching and smiling to no one but myself. Good girl, I thought.

I don't know how far she ran to retrieve the bird, which definitely was on the move as it came to earth, but it's more than one-half a mile from where I shot to the trail, let alone however far she went to find and retrieve the bird, back through the creek, up the hill and to the vehicle.

I could have toned her back with her training collar – at least that's an audio sound she still hears - and had her release the bird to hand to put in my hunting vest pouch. And any trainer will me that's exactly what I should have done.

But, no, I wasn't going to deny this aging hunting dog her joyful moment . A point, a flush, retrieve, and the sheer joy of her bird.

Eider and I had a great pheasant season. It's not the number of the birds.

As a hunting dog, Eider lives to hunt.

Yet I know given her age and heart condition hunting is something we have to regulate so she gets exercise but not overexertion.

This was Eider's sheer joy. And she shared with me. It was our joy, together.



Eider with her rooster.



CULVER'S OF MINOT 3000 S Broadway Minot, ND 58701 701-852-4800 grass and cattails, I stood back as Eider disappeared along the hillside. "Find the bird, get the bird," I called, simply out of years of habit.

So I waited until my liver-and-white Brittany came flying back along the creek, bird in her mouth. I swear I saw her proudly smiling even though this is exactly what hunting PATRICIA STOCKDILL PHOTO

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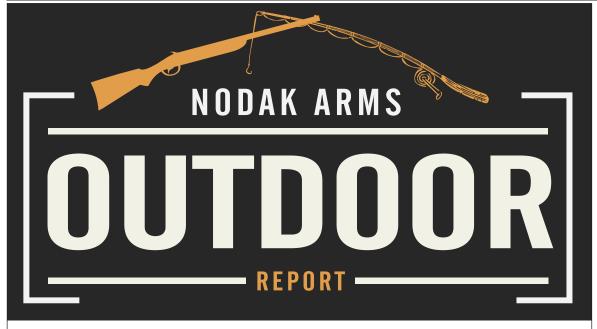
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# **OUTDOOR NOTES:**

PATRICIA STOCKDILL

### Fishing:

Lake Sakakawea elevation, Dec. 27: 1,828.33 feet above mean sea level (MSL); 16,000 cubic feet per second (CFS) Garrison Dam average daily releases.

Devils Lake elevation: 1,447.17 feet above mean sea level (MSL). Stump Lake elevation: 1,447.14 MSL.

• Devils Lake, Ed's Bait Shop, Devils Lake: Fair to good perch success on main Devils Lake around the towers prior to the cold and snow.

• Devils Lake, Woodland Resort, Devils Lake: Access limited to tracked snowmobiles and UTVs. Angler numbers slowed with cold and snow but look for continued fair success from northern feeder lakes and Devils Lake bays.

•Lake Darling, Karma C-Store, Ruthville: Prior to weather front moving through, anglers were still finding fair walleye success around Grano but be prepared for possible poor access conditions.

·Lake Metigoshe, Four Seasons, Bottineau: Anglers finding improving bluegill success with occasional nice-sized crappie mixed in prior to the weather front moving through.

Sakakawea/Lake Lake Audubon, Cenex Bait & Tackle, Garrison: Difficult access on Lake Audubon and Lake Sakakawea back bays.

 Lake Sakakawea/Lake Audubon, Hwy 83 Lawn & Leisure, Garrison: No Lake Audubon reports.

•Lake Sakakawea, New Town: ittle activity with cold and snowy



•Be prepared for heavy snow along shorelines and bring shovels. Ice is never completely safe. Avoid areas with vegetation, moving water, pressure ridges, and springs. Check conditions as you go along on the ice and don't move around at night.

• Upper Souris Nat'l. Wildlife Refuge Prairie-Marsh Auto Tour Route closed until spring.

• Dec. 31: Missouri River Canada goose zone and light goose seasons close

• Jan. 1: First Day Hike, Fort Stevenson State Park, with hiking, snowshoeing, or cross-country skiing along the lighted trail, 6 p.m. Snacks at the Visitor Center.

• Jan. 1: Denbigh Christmas Bird Count.

• Jan. 2: Pheasant, grouse, partridge, High Plains duck, goose, merganser, and archery deer seasons close. • Jan. 2: Medora CBC.

# TOURNAMENTS:

• Jan. 8: Lake Darling, Lake Sakakawea, Lewis & Clark State Park

Jan. 15: Lake Sakakawea, Tobacco Gardens.

•Lake Sakakawea/northwest area lakes. N.D. lakes, Scenic Sports, Williston: Try working 25 feet for 2-Coast, Rolla: No new reports. walleye on the west end of Lake Sakakawea from Long Creek

•Turtle Mtn. area lakes, Coast-Numbers to know:

•N.D. Game and Fish Dept.,

**SEPTEMBER 2021** 



TEAM MINOT STEPS IT UP

SSgt. Andrea Payne poses with the diapers collected from a drive to support the clients of local nonprofit Project Bee. With the help of Minot Air Force Base donors, the drive collected 17,200 diapers, surpassing their original goal of 10,000. Those diapers will be able to supplement over 600 families in the Minot area who are experiencing diaper insecurity.

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AFPC VISITS MINOT AFB Major General Christopher Craige, Air Force Personnel Center Commander along with Command Chief Master Sergeant Eryn McElroy, visited Minot Air Force Base, ND, September 8, 2021. Maj. Gen. Craige and CMSgt. McElroy had the opportunity to speak one-on-one with the staff of the Welcome Center, Airmen Family Readiness Center and Military Personnel Flight during the visit.

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WARBIRD AIRMEN RETURN FROM HISTORIC DEPLOYMENT

Airmen from the 23rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron redeploy, during the week of Sept. 17, 2021, on the flight line at Minot Air Force Base, ND. he airmen returned from a six-month-long deployment from AI Udeid Air Base, Qatar. They deployed in support of U.S. Central Command.

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SENIOR AIRMAN AWARDED FOR SAVING LIFE 91st Missile Wing Commander Col. Christopher E. Menuey presents Senior Airman Jose Rafael Jacuinde Rios with the American Red Cross Certificate of Merit at a ceremony held at Minot Air Force Base, October 22. SrA Jacuinde-Rios was presented the award for saving a man's life earlier this year.

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MAJ. GEN. MICHAEL LUTTON VISITS Maj. Gen Michael Lutton, 20th Air Force Commander, rides in a helicopter assigned to the 54th Helicopter Squadron at Minot Air Force Base, ND, Oct. 28, 2021. Maj. Gen. Lutton had the opportunity to observe a training exercise with the Tactical Response Force from Minot AFB.

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It certainly would be fair to say that each geographical location certainly has different challenges in keeping vehicles properly maintained. That is why it is so important to establish a relationship with a locally owned shop like Tires Plus. And of course maintain that relationship so that they get to know you, and your car. So let's quickly review some of what is important in maintaining your vehicle.

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- 1. Acquaint Yourself With Your Owner's Manual
- 2. Check Your Tires Monthly
- 3. Have Your Oil and Oil Filter changed on Schedule
- 4. Also Have Your Air Filter Replaced With Oil Changes
- 5. Let Tires Plus Inspect All Other Fluids
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the whiteboard wall at the Atomic Spark grand opening on

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**GLOBAL THUNDER 22** Airmen assigned to the 5th Bomb Wing maintain the B-52H Stratofortress during Global Thunder 22 operations on Nov. 3, 2021. Maintainers work around the clock to prepare the bombers for their missions, and without their meticulous care, the B-52 would not have remained in service for over 60 years.

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219TH SFS MEMBERS RETURN FROM DEPLOYMENT

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Seth LaBodda, of the 219th Security Forces Squadron, is greeted with an embrace upon his return home to Minot International Airport, Minot, North Dakota, Nov. 4, 2021. Eight members of the 219th SFS return from a six-month deployment to southwest Asia.

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### BOMBER TASK FORCE EUROPE: B-52S JOIN LONG-RANGE STRATEGIC DEPLOYMENT

Three B-52H Stratofortresses took off from Minot Air Force Base as part of Global Thunder 22 on November 9. During the 20+ hour flight they supported combined operations involving Royal Air Force Typhoon FGR4s and United States Air Force F-15Cs Eagles and F-15Es Strike Eagles out of RAF Lakenheath alongside our fellow Air Force Global Strike Command bombers, the B-1 Lancers out of Dyess Air Force Base. The sortie supported the annual United States Strategic Command exercise, Global Thunder, and validated the ability to integrate with allies and partners around the world.

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# NOTES ON BEING SAFE



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TOP HOLIDAY FOOD SAFETY TIPS

# DON'T BE A TURKEY ABOUT FOOD SAFETY THIS SEASON

Cooks across the country are making plans for holiday feasts that include everyone's favorite dishes, from cornbread stuffing to pumpkin pie. Friends and families are invited, and excitement is in the air. Food safety is probably not the first thing you think about when planning a holiday dinner. But to keep your gathering from being memorable in the wrong way, it's important to take steps to protect your guests from food-borne illnesses.

While the U.S. food supply is one of the safest in the world, some 76 million people get sick from food-borne illness every year, according to the CDC. And food safety can be a special challenge during the holidays. Not only is it cold and flu season, but the menu may includes more dishes than there is room for in the refrigerator or oven.

To make sure your holiday dinner is not only





thermometer. There is simply no other way to determine that food has been cooked enough to kill bacteria.

Refrigerate leftovers within two hours of preparation. Leaving food out too long is one of the biggest holiday food safety problems.

Properly defrost your turkey, or buy a fresh one. "If you choose a frozen turkey, allocate 24 hours per 5 pounds to defrost in the refrigerator, and whatever you do, don't defrost the bird on the kitchen counter

Wash your hands thoroughly and often -before, during, and after food preparation. "Simply washing hands is one of the easiest ways to minimize bacterial contamination and keep your food safe

Wash all fresh produce. Wash even prepackaged greens, to minimize potential bacterial contamination

If you need additional information on holiday food safety tips, please visit one of these websites: U.S. Food and Drug Administration



delicious but as safe as possible, here a few top suggestions:

Have a master plan. Chefs do it, and so should you. Consider your refrigerator, freezer and oven space, and how you'll manage to keep hot foods at 140 degrees or higher and cold foods at 40 degrees or below.

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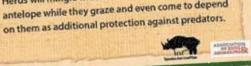
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91ST MW KIDS **CHRISTMAS PARTY** The 91st Missile Wing threw a Christmas party for the children of Minot AFB, ND, Dec. 11, 2021. Airmen and families enjoyed some holiday fun with hot chocolate, reindeer training camp, and visits from Santa Claus and the Grinch!

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**AIRMAN RECEIVES** AWARD FROM AADD Airman First Class Dariana Gutierrez, Primary Scheduler and volunteer for Airmen Against Drunk Driving, was presented several awards for her dedication to protecting Team Minot. By volunteering over 163 hours of her time in a two quarter period, Gutierrez has played a major role in saving over 244 lives and counting.

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SECURITY FORCES GROUP COMMANDERS' CONFERENCE

Chief Master Sgt. Gerald Sullivan, chief enlisted manager in the 91st Security Forces Group, Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, rappels down a building during the Security Forces Group Commanders' Conference Dec. 2, 2021, at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyoming. Leaders from the 90th Security Forces Group from F.E. Warren AFB, Wyoming, 91 SFG from Minot AFB, North Dakota, and 341 SFG from Malmstrom AFB, Montana, met to bring new ideas together on how to improve their group's missile field and base security practices.

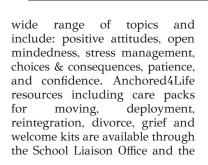
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Military Family Life Consultants. These kits include resiliency-based activities and resources for K-8th grade students which can be used by families to address the stressful situations of military life. For more information on Anchored4Life contact the School Liaison at 701-723-1447 or mafb.school.liaison@ us.af.mil.

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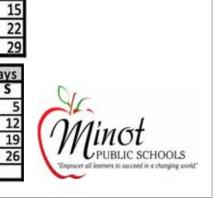
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January 17							
Professional Development Day	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	9	10	11	12	13	14	
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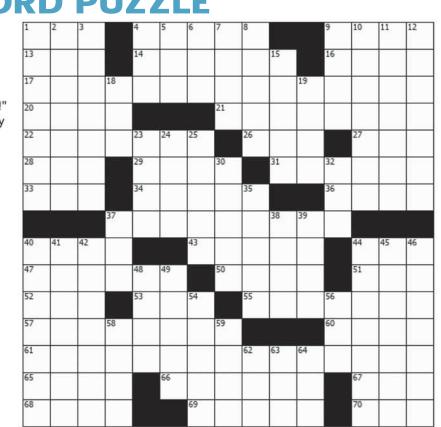




# **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

Across 1. Fast flier 13 4. Mesh with the group 9. Vegas game 17 13. Blood classification system 14. Response to "No you don't!" 20 16. Give \_\_\_\_ of approval: silently okay 22 17. Possible 11/3 headline 28 20. Cabinet dept. 21. Onion cousins 33 22. Defamed in writing 26. Pupil site 27. Hesitant speaker's sounds 28. Call \_\_ day 29. Cuban water 31. Living room piece 33. Below zero: Abbr. 34. European herders 36. Quite 37. Unlikely 11/3 headline 40. Gillette brand 43. Electronics device 44. Marcel Marceau character 65 47. Bricklayer's tool 50. Marcus of movie theaters 51. Lennon's lady 52. "\_\_\_\_ folly to be wise": Gray Down 53. \_\_ generis 55. Distribute, as leaflets 57. Opts not to opt 60. Ballpark figs. maybe 61. Possible 11/3 headline 65. Most eligible to serve 66. The Cyclades' sea

- 67. Chapter in history 68. Oenophile's concern
- 69. College quarters
- 70. CD-\_\_\_



- 1. Olympic spear
- 2. Inelastic rubber
- 3. Pledge drive incentive,
- 4. Needle bearer
- 5. Security guard's requests
- 6. Spinning toy
- 7. "That's the way \_\_\_"
- 8. Dark time in Durango 9. Critic Pauline
- 10. On the way
- 11. Arctic gale 12. Adventurous trip
- 15. Green lights

- 18. Before, poetically 19. Artist Paul
- 23. \_\_ land: unreality
- 24. "Good golly!"
- 25. Taken to the cleaners
- 30. Time for fools
- 32. Hosp. room fixtures
- 35. Attack like an eagle 37. Dogpatch denial
- 38. Thought
- 39. Rather report
- 40. Parent's words of
- encouragement 41. Chicago paper

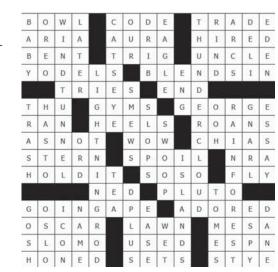
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- 45. Unborn
- 46. 1945 conference site
- 48. Actor Morales
- 49. Soprano Tetrazzini 54. How some losses are
- printed
- 56. Brief moment
- 58. Whaler's direction
- 59. Utah state flower
- 62. Slogan ending? 63. Escape
- 64. USCG rank

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Solution to puzzle on page C6





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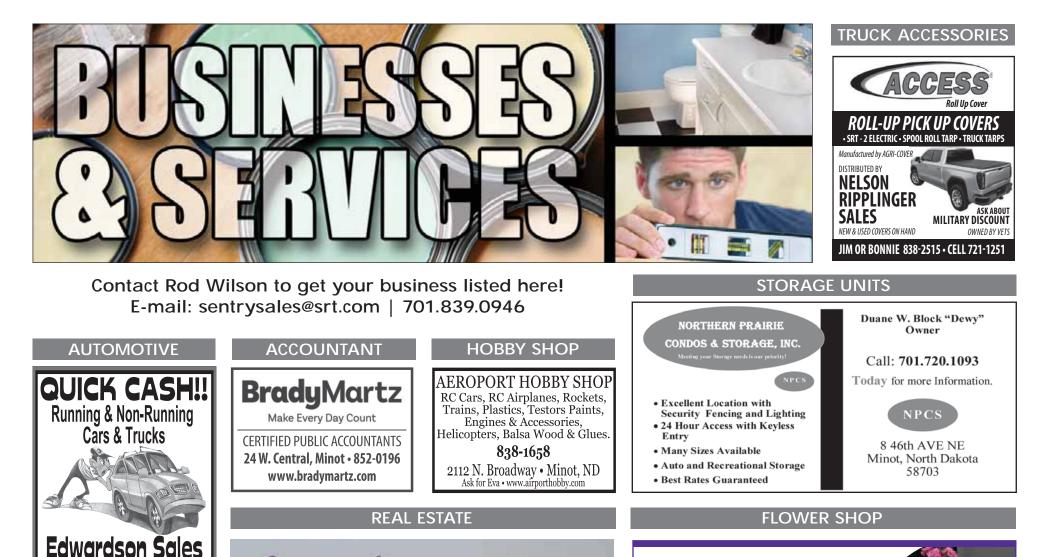
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