

Charleston Profile

Master Sgt. Dave Corrigan
437th Aerial Port Squadron

Dave Corrigan is superintendent of the 437th Aerial Port Squadron Mobility Flight, presently made up of 65 members. The flight's mission is to deploy to worldwide locations and ensure passengers and cargo are successfully delivered.

Corrigan, a Charleston native, joined the Air Force in 1981. "I was 18 years old and I wanted to learn a useful skill to make a living," he said. Initially, he planned on going into missile systems, but chose the air cargo career field instead. "I've been happy ever since."

His Air Force career has included several assignments in the Pacific theater: the Republic of Korea; Kadena Air Base, Japan; and Hickam AFB, Hawaii. He's been at Charleston AFB for eight months. "I'm glad to be home, close to my family again," he said. His family, who all live locally, includes father, Charles; his mother, Gay Nell; and brothers Charles II and William.

Corrigan said his professional goal is "to enhance the mobility flight as much as possible as far as our mission and personnel and enhance the squadron's increased mobility status." He and his flight are currently focusing on two areas: preparing for the Air Expeditionary Force concept and training to participate as a unit in the Cooper River Bridge Annual Run in April.

His personal goal is to make chief master sergeant.

In his spare time, Corrigan enjoys playing softball and volleyball, as well as hunting and fishing. The best thing about Charleston, according to Corrigan, is "it's home to me."



Senior Airman Michael Duhe

Spotlight

NCOA class 00-2: Tech. Sgt. **Milton Mahon**, 437th Missions Support Squadron, was named the John L. Levitow Award winner during the Noncommissioned Officer Academy class 00-2 graduation Feb. 11 at Warner Robins AFB, Ga.

Tech. Sgt. Derrick Mobley, 437th Aerial Port Squadron, and **Tech. Sgt. Vanessa Smallsbryant**, 437 MSS, were named distinguished graduates.

The following technical sergeants also graduated from the class: **James Lotz**, 1st Combat Control Squadron; **Steven Lovette**, 17th Airlift Squadron; **Kathryn Murray**, 437th Aero-medical Dental Squadron; **Karen Smith**, 437 AMDS; **Lewis Stoffel**, 437th Operations Support Squadron; **Terry Stollar**, 437th Civil Engineer Squadron; **Teresa Ware**, 437th Airlift Wing.

Retirement ceremony: A retirement ceremony for Col. James Norris is today at 10 a.m. at the Charleston Club. A reception will follow. Dress is uniform of the day or flight suit for military members, casual for civilians. All members of the base community are invited.

Retirement ceremony: The 437th Supply Squadron is hosting a retirement ceremony for Maj. Paul Sylvester Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Charleston Club.

Around the base

AFREC: For questions about Air Force Reserve assignments, Palace Chase and Palace Front, call Reserve career counselor and in-service recruiter Master Sgt. Betty Hill at 963-4499.

Air National Guard: Palace Chase/Palace Front opportunities are available for the Georgia Air National Guard, Brunswick area. Current openings include electronics (2E3X1, 2E1X1 and 2E2X1); mechanics (2T3X4 and 3E0X2); and Communications Systems (3C1X1 and 3C2X1). Unit strength is doubling and openings also include Tactical Air Command and Control Specialists (1C4X1) and Air Liaison Officers. Retraining will be considered.

For more information, call 1-800-743-9231 or DSN 860-8004/5; or e-mail Master Sgt. Kelly Smith at kelly.smith@gasava.ang.af.mil

Seminar: The Family Support Center and the Legal Office will hold a Consumer/Estate Planning seminar Thursday from 2-4 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Those interested in attending should call the Family Support Center at 963-4406 to reserve a seat.

Education

CLEP: A math College Level Examination Program preparatory class will