

WRIGHT NOTES



First Lieutenant Daniel W. Boothe, Commander

News from the Band of Flight

January-March 2013

First Sergeant's Message

Welcome to another edition of the United States Air Force Band of Flight's *Wright Notes*. As always, the Band of Flight has hit the New Year with plenty of exciting music. We are in full swing with our Educational Outreach program, performing for students of all ages. Our clarinet quartet is sensational and has been inspiring youth throughout the Greater Dayton area, while individual musicians have been presenting solo recitals and performing with student bands; and just recently our rock band Systems Go pumped up an entire Preparatory Academy of ROTC student cadets. Meanwhile, the Band of Flight's Night Flight Jazz Ensemble is preparing its annual tribute to big band music, which will of course feature music of the great Major Glenn Miller as well as other big band legends! Finally, as most of you know, the Band of Flight is preparing to go through the final stages of our organizational restructure with a reduction from 45 down to 15 members. One thing that will never change is the commitment the Band of Flight has to providing the finest musical support of our military ceremonies and delivering exceptional entertainment to our deployed troops around the world and civilian audiences here at home. Thank you for your continued support of the Band of Flight and all our men and women in uniform around the globe; we look forward to seeing you again soon.



Senior Master Sergeant Jeff Sandru

Night Flight Jazz Ensemble

As the Band of Flight transitions to our smaller footprint, we are featuring a few final performances for various groups. In the month of March, we feature the final performances of our Jazz Ensemble, Night Flight.

This final concert is a big band legends tribute, featuring the music from the libraries of Glenn Miller, Woody Herman, Duke Ellington, Buddy Rich, Stan Kenton, Maynard Ferguson, Thad Jones and Count Basie. As a special treat, we will feature an alumni tribute, as retired Band of Flight members will be joining us on stage to perform "Big Dipper" by Thad Jones.

For more information, check out our website or please call the National Museum of the United States Air Force at (937) 255-5924 or <http://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/>



The U.S. Air Force Band of Flight Night Flight Jazz Ensemble will present the Big Band Legends concert on Saturday, March 2nd at 7:30 p.m. at the National Museum of the United States Air Force. (U.S. Air Force photo) Download Hi-Res

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The new 14-member configuration of the Air Force Band of Flight, as they prepare for their first concert. (U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jesus Delgado)
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Educational Outreach

Members of the Band of Flight have capitalized on some wonderful opportunities to get into the community with our educational outreach program. Our very own clarinet quartet has had the amazing opportunity to perform for students ranging from Kindergarten to sixth grade. A highlight of these performances was for the students of Charity Adams Early Academy for Young Urban Girls.

The students were introduced to some principles of flag etiquette, such as why we place our hand over our hearts when the National Anthem is performed, as well as a brief introduction to the woodwind family, and exposition to different styles of music.

In addition, another member of our woodwind section, saxophonist Master Sergeant Josh Fedele had the distinct opportunity to present several master classes and performances for students in the Ohio and Kentucky regions.



Members of our clarinet quartet, Master Sergeant Nicole Shining, Technical Sergeant Kara Frank, and Staff Sergeants Mary Fessner-Tarjanyi and Lindsay Zufall have been "busy bees," playing for school students all throughout the Dayton, OH region. (U.S. Air Force photo/ Technical Sergeant Dan Bentley) Download Hi-Res

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Members of the Band of Flight proudly march with the USAF Band past the Presidential reviewing stand in the Inauguration Parade. (US Army photo by Sgt Mark A. Cloutier)

Farewell to Departing Members

Separations

**Senior Airman
Kyle Huron
Tuba**

Hometown: Baytown, Texas
Education:
Bachelor of Music Education
Tennessee Technological University, Tennessee
Master of Music - Music Performance
Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music, Ohio

Band of Flight Service: 3 years

Future Assignment:
-The United States Navy Band, Washington, D.C.



**Staff Sergeant
Mary Fessner-Tarjanyi
Clarinet**

Hometown: Rochester, New York
Education:
Bachelor of Music - Music Performance
Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music, Ohio
Master of Music - Performance
Indiana University, Indiana

Band of Flight Service: 8 years

Check out our website!

USAF Band of Flight

Upcoming Appearances



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| March 2 | Night Flight Jazz Ensemble - National Museum of the USAF, Dayton, OH, 7:30 p.m. |
| March 3 | Night Flight Jazz Ensemble - Versailles High school, Versailles, OH, 3:00 p.m. |
| March 29 | Wright Brass - Cedarville Opera House, Cedarville, OH, 7:30 p.m. |
| March 22 | Wright Brass - College of Mt. Saint Joseph, Cincinnati, OH, 7:00 p.m. |
| April 6 | Wright Brass & Systems Go - National Museum of the USAF, Dayton, OH, 7:30 p.m. |

For more information about upcoming appearances, check out our events page!

Mission Statement

The mission of the United States Air Force Band of Flight is to deliver world-class musical products that inspire emotions, create positive impressions and communicate information according to Air Force objectives for the defense of the United States of America.

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