



MONTHLY MEMBER UPDATE

APRIL 2023

NEWS & NOTES



DPAA HOSTS HONORABLE CARRY CEREMONY – The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency held its first honorable carry ceremony since the runway reopened April 4, 2023, at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

An Alaska Air National Guard C-17 Globemaster delivered nine transfer cases containing the remains to the lab during the ceremony.

U-2S DRAGON LADY AT OFFUTT FOR EXERCISE – Approximately 60 Airmen and one U-2S Dragon Lady from the 9th Reconnaissance Wing at Beale Air Force Base, Calif., repositioned to Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, March 25 - April 7 to further develop the wing's readiness capabilities.

This exercise will further prepare the 9th RW for potential Agile Combat Employment operations around the world.

OMAHA NAMED GREAT DEFENSE COMMUNITY– The Omaha metro was selected recently as one of five recipients of the 2023 Great American Defense Community by the Association of Defense Communities.

The GADC program was launched by the ADC in 2016 to recognize communities and regions that support military installations for their exceptional commitment to improving quality of life for military.

UPCOMING EVENTS



April 15 – 55th Wing Birthday Ball
@ Embassy Suites in La Vista

- Annual event hosted jointly by the 55th Wing and 55th Wing Association celebrating the illustrious history of the Fightin' Fifty-Fifth.

April 28 – OAC Annual Membership Mtg
@ Dougherty Conference Center

- The OAC president and 55th Wing commander will provide updates during the annual general membership meeting at 4:30 p.m.

May 29 – Memorial Day Ceremony
@ Offutt Cemetery

- Team Offutt pauses to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice at the annual Memorial Day Ceremony at 9 a.m.

June 2 – Appreciation Day Picnic
@ Bellevue Berry Farm

- For more than 20 years the Appreciation Day Picnic has provided Team Offutt with an opportunity to relax with their family.

June 22 – 55th Wing Change of Command
@ Bennie L. Davis Maintenance Facility

- Col. Kristen Thompson hands to reigns to Col. Mark Howard in the time honored change of command ceremony.