

Best of luck to Westover's R2K team

About the time you are reading this edition of the Patriot, our R2K (Rodeo 2000) team will be departing for Pope AFB to represent our wing in the Air Mobility Command's Rodeo 2000 competition.

This is the world's premier mobility event as over 60 teams from the United States and foreign countries compete to see who is the

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best of the best. Aircrew, maintenance, aerial port, aeromedical evacuation and security forces squadron members will represent us.

Not to date myself, but I was lucky enough to be a participant in the 79, 80 and 81 Rodeos. I have a deep respect for what our representatives will go through at the competition. You have to be the best you can be in your job to be a part of the team and our team represents that standard.

I want to thank these folks in advance for giving up their time to be Westover's ambassadors to the world during this competition.

For those who do not remember, we won the Best Airland Wing award for Rodeo 98. We wish our team chief, Maj. Vito Addabbo and all of our R2K team the very best for a safe and successful competition.



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Government travel card coordinators appointed

The 439th Airlift Wing has appointed Agency Program Coordinators for the Bank of America Visa government travel card.

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Pope captures AF award

MSgt. W.C. Pope of the 439th AW Public Affairs office, captured first place in the 44th annual Air Force Print and Broadcast Media Contest.

Pope, whose cartoons appear regularly in the *PATRIOT* and other Air Force Reserve and Air Force publications, won the award in the Information Graphics category.

Pope now moves on to the Department of Defense contest, vying for a Thomas Jefferson award.

May UTA schedule
A UTA May 6-7
B UTA May 20-21



Great New England
Air Show
August 12-13

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