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Media Invited to Attend Warrior CARE Events July 23-27

WHAT: The U.S. Air Force Wounded Warrior Program (AFW2), administered by the Air Force's Personnel Center, in coordination with Col. Michael H. Manion, 55th Wing commander, will host a Warrior CARE event at Offutt Air Force Base, July 23-27.

WHO: More than 90 wounded, ill or injured service members and their caregivers from around across the country will be introduced to the full spectrum of support programs offered by AFW2. Recovering service members attending the athletic portion will train and compete in adaptive & rehabilitative sports including: archery, air pistol and rifle shooting, cycling, sitting volleyball, swimming, wheelchair basketball, and track-and-field competitions including shot-put, discus and running events. Caregivers and trainees for the ambassador and mentorship programs will be immersed in leadership workshops to hone skills, allowing them to help other recovering service members as needed. Additionally, employment and career readiness training programs will be offered to those recovering service members requiring additional education to help them pursue post-retirement employment.

WHEN/WHERE: The event opening ceremony will be held at the Offutt AFB Field House, July 23 at 8 a.m.

WHY: These CARE events provide seriously wounded, ill and injured recovering service members, veterans and their caregivers focused and personalized service through caregiver support training, adaptive and rehabilitative sports events, recovering Airman Mentorship training and employment and career readiness classes along with music, art and comedy programs.

R.S.V.P.: Media interested in covering the opening ceremony or program events should contact the 55th Wing Public Affairs office at 402-294-3663 no later than 5 p.m., July 20.

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