

BRIGADIER GENERAL MARK W. GRAPER, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Brigadier General Mark W. Graper is Commander, 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska. He is responsible for providing realistic combat adversary training to United States and allied forces in air, space and information operations via RED FLAG - Alaska, Pacific Air Forces' premier national and multi-nation large force training exercise and through the PACAF's only Aggressor Squadron. He is also responsible for deploying Airmen in support of global operations and for enabling the staging of forces through Eielson AFB.

General Graper was commissioned in 1980 following graduation from the US Air Force Academy. He has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels. The General served as an air liaison officer with the Egyptian Ranger 999 Brigade during operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, and deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Prior to his current assignment, General Graper was Director, Standing Joint Force Headquarters North, Headquarters US Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.

Education

1980 Bachelor of Science degree, International Affairs, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo. 1982 Master's degree, public policy, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Mass. 1988 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala. 1993 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. 1996 Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

Assignments

1. September 1980 - May 1982, graduate student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. 2. June 1982 - June 1983, student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams AFB, Ariz. 3. September 1983 - May 1984, student, 21st Tactical Fighter Wing, George AFB, Calif. 4. June 1984 - September 1987, F-4E aircraft commander, 335th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C. 5. October 1987 - October 1988, Air Staff Training Officer, Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C. 6. April 1989 - March 1990, F-16 aircraft commander and flight commander, 80th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, South Korea. 7. March 1990 - July 1992, air liaison officer, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Carson, Colo. 8. August 1992 - June 1993, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala. 9. December 1993 - June 1997, F-15E assistant operations officer, operations officer, then Commander, 90th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska. 10. July 1997 - June 1998, student, Naval War College, Newport, R.I. 11. July 1998 - June 2000, Chief, Exercise Division, U.S. Forces Korea (J3), Yongsan Army Garrison, South Korea. 12. July 2000 - April 2002, Commander, 612th Air Operations Group, and Director of Operations, U.S. Southern Command Air Forces, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. 13. August 2002 - May 2004, Commander, 12th Flying Training Wing, Randolph AFB, Texas. 14. June 2004 - January 2006, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, U.S. Forces Korea (J3), Yongsan Army Garrison, South Korea. 15. January 2006 - August 2007, Director, Standing Joint Force Headquarters - North, Headquarters U.S. Northern Command, Peterson AFB, Colo. 16. August 2007 - Present, Commander 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson AFB, Alaska.

Flight Information

Rating: Command Pilot. Flight Hours: More than 2,664. Aircraft flown: F-4E, F-16, F-15E, T-38, and T-6

Major Awards and Decorations

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, Air Force Achievement Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Government of Kuwait).

Effective Dates of Promotion

Second lieutenant: May 28, 1980, First lieutenant: May 28, 1982, Captain: May 28, 1984, Major: September 1, 1991, Lieutenant Colonel: February 1, 1995, Colonel: May 1, 1999, Brigadier General: March 10, 2006.

Reference: <http://www.eielson.af.mil/library/biographies/bio.asp?id=10258>

EDWARD B. DALY, COLONEL, UNITED STATES ARMY

COL Daly enlisted into the Army at age 17 in 1974. He served as an Infantry Squad Leader and Platoon Sergeant with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Germany and later the 101st Airborne Division (AASLT). In 1982, COL Daly was commissioned as an Infantry Officer and was assigned again to Germany with the 1st Armored Division as a Mechanized Infantry Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer and Company Commander. In 1986, COL Daly was assigned to the 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Lewis, Washington as a SCUBA and later Military Freefall Team Leader with deployments to the Philippine Islands. From 1989 to 1992, COL Daly was assigned to the 2nd Ranger Battalion and participated in Operation JUST CAUSE, Panama. In 1993, COL Daly was assigned to the 75th Ranger Regiment as Deputy Operations Officer and later as 3rd Ranger Battalion Executive Officer and Deputy Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment. From 1996 to 1999, COL Daly served as the Joint Special Operations Observer/Trainer for US Atlantic Command. Following Battalion Command from 1999-2001 with the 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry, at Fort Benning, Georgia, he attended the US Air War College at Maxwell, AFB and was assigned to the Army Operations Center, the Pentagon. He was deployed to Afghanistan in 2003-2004 as the Director of Operations for CJTF-180 and later Combined Forces Command-Afghanistan. He returned as the Director of the US CENTCOM Office in Washington, DC. COL Daly commanded the 187th Infantry Brigade at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri from July 2005 until May 2007. He was then assigned back to Afghanistan as the Commander of ARSIC-North, Task Force Phoenix until July 2008. COL Daly is currently serving as the Deputy Commander, U.S. Army Alaska. He is married to a retired U.S. Army Major.

COL Daly is a graduate of the Primary and Basic NCO courses, Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced courses, Army and USMC Command and Staff Colleges, US Air War College and the Air Assault, Airborne, Ranger, Special Forces, Pathfinder, Combat Diver, Military Freefall and Jumpmaster courses. His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Soldier's Medal, two Bronze Stars, the Purple Heart, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Master Parachutist Badge with Combat Jump Star and the Combat Infantryman Badge (2nd award).

Reference: <http://www.usarak.army.mil/main/deputy.htm>



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

S.S. NENANA

11:00-Noon	9 th Army Arctic Warrior Band
Noon	4th of July Ceremony
1:00-1:45	Jammin Salmon Dixieland Band
2:15-3:00	Jammin Salmon Dixieland Band

PLAYGROUND

1:30-2:15	Kids' Games
1:30-3:30	Face Painting
1:45-2:45	Cold Steel Drum Band
3:00-3:30	Red Hackle Pipe Band
3:00-4:00	Kids' Games
3:45-4:45	Pantheon Steel Drum Band

GAZEBO PERFORMANCES

2:00-3:00	Bobby Burns
3:15-4:45	Noisy Furniture
5:00-7:00	Kit Carson and the Scouts
7:00-8:00	Martin Miller (<i>Gazebo Nights Presentation</i>)

MOORE STREET GATE

2:30	Kids' Parade (<i>ALL ARE WELCOME!</i>)
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NATIVE VILLAGE

2:00-6:00	Gospel Music with Sister Barbie
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STAMPEDE STAGE PERFORMANCES

3:00-5:00	Tim Robb
5:00-7:00	Nate Montgomery



July 4, 2009 Ceremony

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Welcome	Ann Secrest & Mike Shultz
Benediction	Reverend Murray Richmond
Presentation of Colors	Joint Ft. Wainwright/Eielson Honor Guard
Pledge of Allegiance	All
National Anthem	9 th Army Arctic Warrior Band
Governor's Proclamation	Ann Secrest
Fairbanks North Star Borough Mayor	Jim Whitaker
Alaska Senate	Senator Joe Thomas
Eielson Air Force Base	Brig Gen. Mark Graper
US Army Alaska	Col. Edward B. Daly
Founding Father's Speech	Ann Secrest & Mike Shultz
Salute to the States	Ft. Wainwright Rifle Team 472 MP Company
Alaska Flag Song	9 th Army Arctic Warrior Band
Closing	Ann Secrest & Mike Shultz

**Shuttle Bus Service Available between
Pioneer Park & Carlson Center from
11:00am-5:00pm**