

SSgt. Bennett Is 'Warrior Of Week'

A Blackshear native, U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. John Wesley Bennett, stationed in Kyrgyzstan, was recently named "Warrior of the Week."



Bennett

The recently promoted staff sergeant has been in the Air Force four and a half years. He had been stationed at the Transit Center at Manas, Kyrgyzstan four months when

he received his special honor.

Bennett is in aircraft maintenance with the 376th Air Expeditionary Wing deployed from Scott Air Force Base. He said every time a KC-135 aircraft takes off and lands safely, he takes pride in knowing "at one point in time I've turned a wrench on that plane."

The "Warrior of the Week" honor recognizes the individual who exemplifies "outstanding performance, good conduct, work ethic and a job well done."

Bennett is a graduate of Pierce County High School, the son of Melissa and Jim Stapleton and Don Bennett, of Blackshear. He has one brother, Dalton, of Blackshear.

His maternal grandparents are Ruby and Freddie Cox and Jimmy and Marcie Brantley, all of Waycross. His paternal grandparents are Dean Bennett and the late Bill Bennett, of Waycross.