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Last Class Graduates From AMS

By Master Sgt. Greg Rudl, National Guard Bureau

The commissioning bell here tolled 94 times today, and 94 new Air National Guard second lieutenants were challenged to become great leaders. The bell tolled for the last time for the officer candidates of class "O-2009-4," the last class to graduate from the Academy of Military Science, an officer commissioning program here at the I.G. Brown Air National



New 2nd Lt. Teah Johnson rings the commissioning bell during her graduation from AMS at the I.G. Brown Air National Guard Training and Education Center at McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base, Tenn. on June 26, 2009. Johnson is a member of the last officer commissioning program class at TEC. (Photo by Master Sgt. Greg Rudi, National Guard Bureau)

Guard Training and Education Center. When their name was called, candidates rang the bell, stepped up on stage, received their diplomas and a set of gold bars. Presenting firm handshakes and diplomas were: Lt. Gen. Harry M. Wyatt III, director of the Air National Guard; Lt. Col. Ron Daniels, the AMS commandant; and Col. Richard Howard, commander of the Training and Education Center.

Over 600 guests and distinguished visitors watched in Wilson Hall as Wyatt administered the federal oath to these future leaders of the Air National Guard. "It's a great day for them, for us and the entire country," said Capt. Peter Shinn, a faculty advisor for the AMS graduating class. "They have been a through a transformative experience." After 38 years at McGhee Tyson, the Academy of Military Science will move to Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., to form a partnership with the Air Force's Officer Training School. The move will provide a shared, common experience for all officer candidates in the Total Force, Guard officials said. After the commissioning ceremony, the new lieutenants marched in a pass-in-review for Wyatt, Daniels and Howard that included a flyover of F-16s Falcon jets and a P-51 Mustang. The relief and sense of accomplishment could be seen in the faces of graduates, including now 2nd Lt. Tarren Barrett, who said: "I won't stop smiling today." Barrett is headed to civil engineering school at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. "I look forward to going back to my unit ... and support those I've been tasked to lead," she said, adding that she is proud to be a part of the last class here, especially because she's from the local area.

2nd Lt. Lance McDaniel of Spokane, Wash., was practicing his about-faces in front of his mom and girlfriend in Spruance Hall before graduation. "It was tough," he said about the experience. "I took it seriously, and it will give me the tools I need to be a successful officer." Along with honing his problem-solving skills, he learned about traditions, such as why many officers defer wearing ribbons (AMS cont. on pg 4)

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4 TRADITIONAL DAYS LEFT UNTIL THE UCI!!! ARE YOU READY???



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Deadline for submitting articles is Sept 10

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The Long and Short of it

By Command Chief Master Sgt. Jimmy Long

It seems as though I start every article that I write with the words, "It sure has been a busy few months", but it is always busy. The 134th as well as the 119th, 228th, TEC and the 572nd Band stay at a high tempo at all times. Since the completion of our ORI in June 2008 we continue to take care of business with an AEF Cycle, LSET Inspection, ATSE and a Standards and Evaluations SAV at Ops. This does not even consider our continuing preparation for the UCI in October.

Speaking of the UCI it is time now for each of us to check and recheck our area of responsibility. Col. Timothy Dearing and his staff have given us the tools we need to be successful with the evaluation team lead by 2nd Lt. Katrina Hunt, and Col. Thomas Cauthen is constantly reminding us of our duties concerning the Self Inspection Checklists.

It is up to us now to take the proverbial bull by the horns and get things done. We know our jobs better than anyone else. We know where the cobwebs are located so let's do what we have to do to clean them out and make everything look good.

Remember, constant preparation is our responsibility. This applies both personally and professionally. The UCI is our opportunity to demonstrate just how professional and knowledgeable we are in our respective career fields. I know that you will be just as successful with the UCI as you have been with all of the other challenges we have faced.

This success was demonstrated during the June Drill when Maj. Gen. Gus Hargett and Maj. Gen. Russ Cotney visited McGhee Tyson to present the Outstanding unit Award to the 134th, 119th, and 228th. This was not the first of these awards that any of our units had received. As a matter of fact it was the eleventh Outstanding Unit Award for the 134th.

This is an unprecedented accomplishment. The fact that it was the first time that all three units assigned to McGhee Tyson ANGB had received the award in the same year made it even sweeter. These accomplishments are a direct result of your professionalism, dedication to duty, and hard work. Those are the same qualities that will take us through the UCI successfully.

While we are focused on all of these hurdles in our professional lives, many things are also transpiring



on the personal front. Many folks are out of work and while the downturn in the economy has slowed there is still financial hardship everywhere.

The Air National Guard offers many opportunities other than just Traditional Guardsman Status. There are fulltime job openings almost constantly in today's ANG. What better hiring pool to draw from than that of Traditional Guardsmen. We are already familiar with their work ethic, training and experience as well as their character. Please keep a close eye on these openings, an opportunity to better your personal situation may become available to you. If you are unaware of where to find fulltime job listings check the following websites for further information. <u>http://</u> www.ang.af.mil/careers/mva/index.asp <u>http://www. fulltimeguard.com www.fulltimeguard.com</u>

In closing, let me say once again on behalf of Col. Dearing, Col. Cauthen and the entire leadership of the 134ARW. Thanks for the great job you do each and every day. If we continue to maintain the degree of professionalism that is our reputation, the sky is the limit. Remember accomplishment is where preparation meets opportunity. God Speed.

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during normal duty days. He said they do it to focus awards and accolades on their subordinates rather than themselves. McDaniel said that he had many leadership traits before arriving here, but the six-week course taught him more, including not to interfere when someone else was in charge. Being in the last class, "we felt that the bar was raised higher," he said. "Our instructors pushed us, and we as a class wanted to go further and exceed what previous classes had done." McDaniel will report to pilot training in December to fly the KC-135 refueling tanker.

2nd Lt. Teah Johnson waited in the early morning for her parents, boyfriend and brother to join her for the day's events. She will take her gold bars and her newfound leadership skills back to the 182nd Wing in Peoria, II., to become a navigator on the C-130 cargo aircraft. She was a staff sergeant and a crew chief on the plane before she came to AMS. "I learned to be a good leader, but also a good follower," Johnson said. "The first week, I didn't like it here -- that's to be expected -- but it grew on me."

AMS has commissioned more than 14,600 officers in the Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve. During the six-week course, students learn many lessons. And Officer Candidate Wayne Doyle challenged his classmates not to forget them, because "our enemies hope that we forget what we learn here about integrity, leadership and excellence."



INFORMATION SECURITY

Social networking sites have become the most popular websites among individuals surfing the internet. These websites have been evaluated as having several vulnerabilities hackers can use to exploit such as: ease of access with little-or-no regulation, censorship or government control to worldwide audiences, it affords anonymity of communication, and the fast flow of multimedia information through electronic mass media.

Since 2007, the AF-GIG has explicitly blocked social networking sites due to analysis that indicated a significant number of DoD users were accessing these sites, those sites were being exploited for criminal and malicious intent, and they were non-operational or recreational sites.

For example, an individual in Mass. had their laptop infected with a virus that sent explicit photos to coworkers. The laptop had to be destroyed since the malicious software could be not removed.

Another attack method, drive-by download, consists of web pages being compromised so that any user visiting the webpage is infected with malware or a key logger. This malware will reveal personal information from the infected computer at a later time. Celebrity's web pages, like Alicia Keys, have fallen victim to this attack vector.

Other vulnerabilities social networking sites produce are: clogging up the bandwidth through streaming audio and video, theft of personal information like mother's maiden name and first pets name, family and friends forwarding compromised links, and risks to OPSEC. Due to these vulnerabilities the AF-GIG continues to block social networking sites until justified as necessary to complete the AF mission.

A recent change to AFI 33-100, User Responsibilities and Guidance for Information Systems, requires all personnel to read and sign the new AF Form 4394. A copy of the form is located at:

https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/ASPs/docman/DOCMain. asp?Tab=0&FolderID=AN-SC-00-96-12-9&Filter=AN-SC-00-96

The new form provides the ability for digital signature. Please read, sign the new form and send it to your Client Support Administrator NLT Aug. 11.

In accordance with a TCNO, accounts will be disabled on all personnel who do not turn in the new form to their CSA by the deadline.

If you have any questions, please contact your CSA.

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134th Medical Squadron Members Deploy to Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany

By Tech. Sgt. Kendra Owenby, 134ARW Public Affairs Office



Members of the 134th Medical Group pause for a photo in one of the many vineyards on the Mosel River valley of Germany. (photo by Staff Sgt. Vito Cipolla)

Twenty-six members of the 134th Medical Group recently traveled to Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany for a two-week annual training field deployment.

While at Spangdahlem, members worked with activeduty personnel from the 52nd Medical Group to conduct a major accident response exercise, work in pediatrics and flight medicine, and perform a mock inspection of the meat processing plant located on nearby Ramstein Air Base - the only processing plant of its kind in Europe. Additionally, some members worked at the nearby Bitburg Medical Annex.

Also on the deployment were 134ARW Chaplain, Capt. Richard Steen and Chaplain Assistant Staff Sgt. Adam Robinson. They worked alongside 52nd Fighter Wing Chapel personnel offering spiritual guidance to military members stationed and deployed at Spangdahlem and Ramstein as well as wounded troops recovering at nearby Landstuhl Medical Installation. The chaplains also distributed Girl Scout cookies donated by local East Tenn. Girl Scout troops. The cookies were distributed to various locations across Spangdahlem.

During their off-time, deployed members were able to travel to France, Luxembourg, and Belgium as well as throughout the German countryside.

Several members commented the highlight of the trip was a visit to the American Cemetery and Memorial in Luxembourg. The memorial was established in 1944 and is the final resting place for 5,076 U.S. Military personnel who fought in World War Two including Gen. George S. Patton. Members were able to take advantage of the sights and sounds of the nearby cities of Trier, Bitburg, Berncastel-Kruz and Koln. Trier is Germany's oldest city, home to the Porte Nigra, one of the oldest city gates of Romanarchitecture built between A.D. 180 and 200. The nearby Mosel River valley is a picturesque valley famous for its vineyards and quaint shops.

Overall, deployed members stated it was a very successful deployment.

The 134th Medical Group members were able to do what they went to do - to learn from the 52nd Medical Group and to share some of their skills. Personnel from the 52nd Medical Group were very impressed with what the 134th Medical Group had to offer and welcomed then back any time. Chapel personnel were successful in giving spiritual guidance to those in need and bringing uplifting and encouraging words to those deployed away from home. All-in-all, another Volunteer job well done!



The McGhee Tyson Family Program Office will be sponsoring our first "Pet First Aid" course on UTA Saturday, Oct. 3 from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

The presentation combines lecture, discussion, video and skill practice to provide participants with the knowledge and skills they need to provide care to their cat or dog in an emergency.

The goals of the Cat and Dog First Aid presentation are to teach participants how to be prepared for emergencies that involve a cat or a dog and how to protect themselves and the animal from further harm, injury or suffering during emergencies by teaching prompt, effective first aid actions and care.

Although this curriculum is not designed for children, youth are not discouraged to attend the course as long as they are able to participate in and effectively complete the course objectives.

Each family will receive either a Cat First Aid Book and DVD Set or a Dog First Aid Book and DVD set. Participants should identify family members and specify which book they prefer at the time of registration. Advance registration is required so that participant materials can be ordered in sufficient quantities. For more information or to register, please contact Steve Latham in the Family Program Office at (865) 985-3107.



Tech. Sgt. Carol Connatser demonstrates the use of an ultrasound on First Sgt. Michael Vican.



Col. Gregory Blake puts on his war face as Col. Cory Strobel examines what appears to be a sprained ankle.



Tech. Sgt. Al Prudencio and Staff Sgt. Jaymon Bell pose for a photo op while working in the laboratory at the Bitburg annex, Germany. Both are lab technicians with the 134th Medical Squadron.

Photos by Tech. Sgt. Kendra Owenby



Members of the 134th Medical Squadron suit up to tour the meat processing facility at Ramstein Air Base, Germany. While at the facility they performed a mock health inspection.



Master Sgts. Lisa Miller and Troy Long go over paperwork at their section on Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany.



134th ARW Chaplain Richard Steen and Chaplain's Assistant Staff Sgt. Adam Robinson distributed Girl Scout cookies to Security Forces members at Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. The cookies were sent on the deployment as moral boosters for the troops from local Tennessee Girl Scout troops.

134th ARW Deploys to Germany

By Capt. Gary Taft, 134ARW Public Affairs Office

Twenty-six members of the 134ARW, along with two personnel from the 228CBCS recently deployed to Germany, assisting with the on-going mission of the 52nd Fighter Wing at Spangdahlem AB.

Lt. Col. Ted Williams commanded the deployment and was assisted by several officers who played key roles in overseeing the logistics and day-to- day events of the wing members. Lt. Col. John Tereshko served as the logistics readiness officer, ensuring the wing members were adequately transported to the base and provided with lodging and work assignments. Lt. Col. Lana McCallum performed duties as the executive officer and worked diligently to provide Airmen with a number of after-duty events such as dinners, wine tasting and tours of the local area.

The deployment comes on the heels of a two-week deployment by the 134th Medical Group's staff that supplemented the medical clinic at nearby Bitburg Airbase. The 134th deployment is another page in the relationship McGhee Tyson ANGB has with USAFE and Spangdahlem AB and another episode of the Tenn. Air National Guard playing an integral part in the overall Air Force mission.

As the war on terror has developed and progressed, the Air National Guard has become more entwined with its active duty counterparts and the 134th is no exception.



Aerial porters, transportation specialists, and admin personnel smoothly transitioned into active duty life and worked alongside their active duty counterparts.

The 134th personnel arrived in Germany on Thursday July 9 and due to Friday being a wing down day, translated into a three-day weekend. This opportunity allowed wing members to tour the local area and visit such places as Bernkastel and Cochem, both scenic villages along the Mosel River, famous for its vineyards, fine cuisine and hospitable residents.

On the first day the McGhee Tyson members reported to work, some as early as 3 a.m., to do what they came for; honing their skills in the workplace and taking advantage of training opportunities unavailable at their home station. Tenn. guardsmen did everything from operating the base shuttles and finance duties to performing personnel duties and loading aircraft. The workplace opportunities were an invaluable experience for a number of airmen who were



experiencing their first deployment. There is little doubt that the inexperienced Airmen who deployed to Germany will come back a little more seasoned and much more capable of providing valuable assistance at their home station. This will result in the 134ARW being more efficient and capable of carrying out the overall Air Force mission.

The Tennessee Air National Guard can be proud of the efforts put forth by the 134th and can rest assured that when our members are called on to deploy downrange they will be capable of fulfilling their obligations and will represent the squadron well. Members of the 52nd Fighter Wing repeatedly praised our guardsmen and welcomed the 134th to return anytime in the future.



MAINTENANCE MINUTE

By Master Sgt. Dennis Newroth, 134ARW Maintenance Group



The loss of navigators on KC-135 aircrews turned out to be a huge gain for the 134th Maintenance Group.

So now that the navigators are gone, how do the pilots get where they are going? For this answer, we go back inside the cockpit to look at more instruments, gauges, etc.

This month we will focus on the communication/navigation side of avionics directed by Master Sgt. Rick Harris, Sr. Master Sgt. Harris supervises 3 full time technicians and 11 traditional guardsmen who maintain all the navigation and communication equipment on our KC-135's.

On the communication side of the house, Comm/Nav is responsible for 2 UHF (ultra high frequency)/VHF (very high frequency) radios, 2 ARC-190 HF radios, 1 UHF command radio, 1 Satcom radio, and the interphone system. Let's take a look at a couple of these.

The UHF/VHF radios allow the aircrew to communicate with control towers, ground, and other aircraft in their line of sight such as the aircraft they are refueling.

The HF radio can allow the aircrew or maintenance to communicate to other airplanes and ground stations clear

across the world. The Satcom radio is like the airplane's cell phone. This comes in handy when there is a maintenance issue and they need to talk to the specialists. The interphone system allows the crew to communicate with each other and to do maintenance on the ground during their pre-flight and engine start.

On the navigation side, the aircrew inputs their flight plan into the flight management system better known as the FMS for short. Their destination is then navigated through the Tacan (tactical air navigation), the VOR (variable omni range), and the GPS (similar to the one you use in your car) using waypoints to guide them where they are going.

With so many airplanes in the air at the same time, how do they avoid colliding? If a KC-135 is on a collision course with another aircraft, the Enhanced Traffic Collision Avoidance System (E-TCAS) sends an audio alert to the crew and will also send a resolution advisory to avoid a collision.

You may have heard pilots talking about doing instrument landings. In other words, the pilots land the airplane without looking out the window. That's putting a lot of faith into the instruments which is why the maintenance and upkeep is so important.

An instrument landing is accomplished using the instrument landing system (ILS) in conjunction with the glide slope and marker beacon. The instrument landing system guides the crew left and right while the glide slope guides them up and down. The marker beacon gives the crew audible tones for their distance from the end of runway. This is especially handy during reduced visibility.

The Comm/Nav shop is responsible for many more instruments and systems that would take many pages to explain. This was a very brief look at some of the complex systems they are in charge of.

To find out more about the communication/navigation systems on the KC-135, stop by the Avionics shop and talk to Master Sgt. Rick Harris, Sr. and his highly motivated crew.

MTAB Bass Anglers Fishing Club Make the Catch at Ft. Loudon/Tellico

By Master Sgt. Bo Sales, 134ARW Maintenance Group

On the night of July 26, the MTAB Bass Anglers Fishing Club met at the canal on Ft. Loudoun/Tellico Lake. We had 12 boats entered, that fished in a couple of good thunderstorms. After it was all said and done, Master Sgt. Bo Sales and his partner Staff Sgt. Adam Lindsey came away with the win with a weight of 7 lbs. 14 oz. This included the lunker of the tournament, a 4 lb. 4oz largemouth. Second place went to Master Sgt. Bobby Halcomb and Buddy Hutsell with 6 lbs. 2 oz. and third place was Tech Sgt. Kip Kirby and Aaron Taylor with 4 lbs. 2 oz. Next up for MTAB Anglers is Aug. 23, Douglas Lake. The launch will be at the dam, 10 p.m.-2:30 a.m. Come out and join us! Check out www.mtabanglers.com



Staff Sgt. Adam Lindsey proudly displays the lunker of the tournament- a 4 lb. 4 oz. Bass. Thunderstorms didn't slow the fish from biting. (photo by Master Sgt. Dennis Newroth)

134th Legal Office

By Tech. Sgt. Greg Sampson, 134 ARW Legal Office

The 134th Legal Office has changed over the past year. First, the leadership of the legal staff is now under the direction of Lt. Col. Ronald Small, who serves as the Staff Judge Advocate. He is currently a Federal Public Defender in Nashville, Tenn. Lt. Col. Small transferred to the Tenn. National Guard from the La. Air National Guard. The Deputy SJA remains Maj. James Rickman, the long-standing member of the JA team. Master Sgt. Lisa Jones serves as the Law Office Superintendent and is currently deployed to Iraq. Rounding out the legal office staff are two fairly new paralegals, Tech. Sgt. Greg Sampson and Tech. Sgt. Karla Smith. Tech. Sgt. Sampson transferred from the TEC after completing a four-year Statutory Tour teaching PME. Tech. Sgt. Smith is cross-training into the paralegal career field from an IM position in the 134th Operations Group.

Your legal staff provides an array of services for the 134ARW and its tenant unit members. These include: helping with your estate planning which includes the preparation of a will for you and your spouse; preparing powers of attorney for almost any circumstance, most commonly a loco parentis POA required by Family Care Plans or other personal affairs to be dealt with in your absence. The legal office also provides legal assistance on drill weekends for general legal questions. Any matters dealing with criminal proceedings are not handled through legal assistance. Examples of legal assistance questions are matters involving landlord-tenant issues, ESGR or employer matters, generalized advice regarding divorce, custody laws, or court orders.

Our priority is and will always be for our uniformed personnel. Priority status is given to those members who are preparing for a deployment or TDY. Secondly, we strive to meet the regular needs of our assigned members during UTA weekends or during times the JA staff is completing AT. We also provide assistance, such as preparing a will or power of attorney, for spouses of assigned members. We also provide legal assistance to our retirees on a space available basis.

The best way to schedule an appointment is to call us at extension 3116 during UTA weekends. We look forward to provide you the best legal support we can!



Lt. Col. Ronald Small Staff Judge Advocate



Maj.James Rickman Deputy Staff Judge Advocate



Master Sgt. Lisa Jones Law Office Superintendent



Tech. Sgt. Karla Smith Paralegal



Tech. Sgt. Greg Sampson Pararalegal

DID YOU KNOW?

By Staff Sgt. Mark Finney, 134ARW Public Affairs Office

Wilson Hall is named after 1st Lt. James W. Wilson who was killed on Sept. 6, 1952.

He was a pilot of the 105th Fighter Interceptor Squadron and had recently moved from Barry Field to McGhee Tyson Airport.

He was flying an F-47 to Rome, N.Y. to pick up some parts for the base and while flying over Cortland, N.Y. his aircraft burst into flames. Headed for a playground, he veered away and crashed into a vacant lot. His family received over 1300 letters from the citizens of Cortland thanking them for his valiant actions. Those citizens who attended the funeral established the Lt. James W. Wilson Memorial of \$50 to be given annually to the outstanding student of Springfield High School.

Can you imagine how happy the children were that received \$50 back in 1952? WOW!

Exercise, Exercise, Exercise!!!



Practice makes perfect...





Photos by Tech. Sgt. David Knable

August HRA Minute

By Senior Master Sgt. Michael Lonas, 134ARW HRA



As noted in his book, "Good to Great" by Jim Collins, "We can find pockets of greatness in nearly every difficult environment". Every section of our organization has its unique set of difficult constraints, yet some make a leap while others facing the same environmental challenges do not. This is perhaps the single most important point in all of Good to Great. Greatness is not a function of circumstance. Greatness, it turns out, is largely a matter of conscious choice, and discipline.

The great units, in contrast, focus on recruiting and hanging on to the right people in the first place—those who are high performing, those who are self-motivated and self-disciplined, those who wake up every day, driven to do the best they can because it is simply part of their DNA. The Soldier and statesman retired Army Gen. Colin L. Powell wrote, "Organization doesn't really accomplish anything. Plans don't accomplish anything either. Theories of management don't much matter. Endeavors succeed or fail because of the people involved. Only by attracting the best people will you accomplish great deeds."

The Air National Guard's greatest resource is our Airmen. Some of you may consider this statement the "company line," but let me tell you that is a fact. Know without a doubt that Airmen are our greatest resource. Airmen have not just contributed to the mission, they make the mission happen.

The historical list of noble, heroic and impressive acts by Airmen is endless. Today's Airmen are no different than those who have previously served. Airmen continue to be a remarkable force in the war on terrorism. America's footprint has been embedded in the soils of Iraq and Afghanistan because of the great deeds our Airmen accomplished. Today's Airmen are making their own history. No plan or abstract theory accomplished all these great deeds -- it was our Airmen being great!

McGhee Tyson is truly a great place to serve. Our challenges are many and the reward is great. The UCI in October will be an exciting opportunity for us to display greatness. Greatness in our attitudes, greatness in our work ethic and greatness in our commitment continually raising the bar.

RECRUITER'S CORNER

By The 134ARW Recruiting Office

Student Flight – Listen Up!

*****Roll Call** – **Sunday** at **1215** you will report to the Headquarters building. Sunday morning you will report to your unit for roll call. You must report to roll call in order to get paid.

*****Pre-BMT class** – **Sunday** of each drill at **1220**. This is a **mandatory** class **(as directed by Col. Dear-ing)** until you ship out to BMT. Any absence must be cleared through the recruiting office supervisor, Master Sgt. Bart Welch, ahead of time.

*****In Processing Checklist - Saturday** at **1300** of your first drill weekend you are required to report to the photo lab (in the headquarters building) to have your **portrait** taken. This is **mandatory** in order to complete your in processing checklist.

***Security Clearance Process – All new enlistees please ensure you have logged onto <u>www.opm.gov/e-gip</u>, to initiate your clearance. Once you have logged on, you have 60 DAYS to complete this. This is a mandatory item. Failure to complete on time will result in a counseling session with the Force Support Squadron Commander, Lt. Col. Beth Hill. Note: answer `unknown' the first time and only the first time you answer the question `place of birth.'

To Contact the Recruiters

Call DSN 266 or (865) 985-3257, 3242, 3262, 3258 or go to: <u>http://www.tnknox.ang.af.mil/Recruiting.</u> <u>htm</u>

Medical Group Customer Service Hours

SATURDAY UTA

0730-0800 HOURS	ROLL CALL
0815-1130 HOURS	РНАя
0830-0850 HOURS	FITNESS FOR DUTY EVALUATIONS
0830-1130 HOURS	IMMUNIZATIONS/NO YELLOW FEVER SHOTS
0830-1130 HOURS	QNFT TESTING (BEE OFFICE)
1130-1230 HOURS	LUNCH
1230-1400 HOURS	IMMUNIZATIONS /NO YELLOW FEVER SHOTS
1230-1400 HOURS	FITNESS SCREENINGS
1500-1600 HOURS	FITNESS SCREENINGS



SUNDAY UTA

CLOSED FOR TRAINING

JEAA to Award Scholarships for Fall Semester

The JEAA will award three \$500 scholarships for the Fall 2009 semester. Applications are currently being accepted (through Aug. 31). Winners will be announced during Sept. UTA. Turn in completed scholarship application packages to Tech. Sgt. Rebecca Nicholson (ext. 3255), Bldg 134, or Senior Airman Regina Trivette (ext. 3448), Bldg 106.

Application Requirements:

1. Must be a junior enlisted member of the 134ARW, 119CACS, 228CBCS or TEC

2. Must be currently enrolled or contemplating enrollment in a college, university, business, trade or vocational school for the 2009 Fall semester.

- 3. Application package must include:
 - a. JEAA Scholarship Application
 - b. Current CCAF progress report or degree
 - c. Personal letter to the scholarship selection committee

Scholarship Application and additional information is located on the JEAA CoP (link below). You may also obtain JEAA scholarship application guidelines from Headquarters, Bldg 134.

Link address to folder '\$500 Scholarship

https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/ASPs/DocMan/DocMain.asp?Filter=AN-OT-00-80&FolderID=AN-OT-00-80-4&Tab=0

Via AF Portal address

https://wwwd.my.af.mil/afknprod/ASPs/DocMan/DocMain.asp?Filter=AN-OT-00-80&FolderID=AN-OT-00-80-4&Tab=0

ETMA Federal Credit Union Offers Opportunity to Renew Tags

ETMA will give ANG members the opportunity to renew vehicle tags during Sept. UTA for *Blount County residents ONLY*.

A member of the clerk's office will be available Sept. 19, from 10 a.m to 2 p.m. Due to parking and manpower restrictions please try to come between specified times below:

A-F	10 a.m11 a.m.
G-L	11 a.m12 p.m.
M-R	12 p.m1 p.m
S-Z	1 p.m.=2 p.m.

ETMA Federal Credit Union 1828 Air Base Road Louisville, Tn 37777 (865) 970-7283 or (865) 970-2263

You do not have to be a member of ETMA but an ETMA representative will be available to review services



TENNESSEE NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE 2009 FALL SEMESTER

Effective July 30, the Base Education and Training Office will be accepting applications for the Tenn. National Guard Tuition Assistance Scholarship Program.

Applications being accepted are for the Fall 2009 Semester only. Applications for classes starting before or after the Fall 2009 Semester will not be accepted. The Base Education and Training Office must receive all applications along with application addendum, current passing Fitness Assessment and degree plan no later than close of business on Sept. 22.

A Tenn. National Guard member who meets the requirements of the program may receive a tuition assistance scholarship based upon available funds.

To be eligible for the tuition assistance scholarship a guard member must be a member of the Tenn. National Guard on or before the first day of class for the semester, trimester, quarter or term and have successfully completed basic military training on or before the first day of class for the semester, trimester, quarter or term. The guard member must be a satisfactory participant in the Tennessee National Guard, live within the borders of the state of Tenn. and have a current passing Fitness Assessment score of 75 or higher. An unsatisfactory participant is a member who has accumulated 9 or more unexcused absences from Unit Training Assemblies within a 12 month period, or who, without proper authority, fails to attend or complete the entire period of annual training. The guard member must serve in the Tenn. National Guard beyond the end of the term for which the tuition assistance scholarship is granted. The guard member must also successfully complete all courses for which benefits are received.

Members of the Tenn. National Guard who meet the requirements of the tuition assistance program may apply using the Tenn. National Guard Tuition Assistance Scholarship Application Form. The form can be obtained from the Base Education and Training Office and requires the member's commander or designated unit representative's endorsement.

Once the application has been completed and signed by the member and commander or unit representative, the application will be returned to the Base Education and Training Office. Those interested in applying for the tuition assistance program must apply for each semester or term for which they intend to utilize the scholarship.

The tuition assistance scholarship must be applied to an educational institution, not to the individual. An educational institution is defined as any state supported university, community college or vocational or technical school or any private college or university located within the State of Tenn. In no case will the combination of this tuition assistance scholarship with any other tuition assistance program exceed 100% of the student's tuition cost.

After submitting an application, if you decide to make any changes to classes that you listed on your application for tuition assistance to include withdraw of any or all classes listed please contact the Base Education and Training Office as soon as possible. This is important in order to keep from dispensing funds and then having to recoup them at a later date. Failure to successfully complete a course for which tuition assistance was received will cause the guard member to make restitution to the State of Tenn.

Payment of the State Tuition Assistance will be made directly to your educational institution when the money is released by the State of Tenn. Funding will be provided to the maximum amounts possible to each applicant until funds are exhausted on an annual basis. Therefore, the amount of assistance provided may vary from Semester to Semester based upon the funds appropriated and the number of applications received. DO NOT rely on State Tuition Assistance to pay your full Tuition or be paid at the start of the Semester for which you are applying. Payment of the Tuition Assistance is made by the State of Tenn. at the earliest possible date; however it could be delayed until the middle or the end of the Semester for which you are applying. Therefore be prepared to cover your financial obligations with the educational institution you are attending.

Questions regarding the program or application process should be directed to the Base Education and Training Office at 985-3253.

TENNESSEE NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION ADDENDUM

A Tennessee National Guard member who meets the requirements of the program may receive a tuition assistance scholarship based upon available funds. To be eligible for the tuition assistance scholarship a guard member must be a member of the Tennessee National Guard on or before the first day of class for the semester, trimester, quarter or term and have successfully completed basic military training on or before the first day of class for the semester, trimester, quarter or term. The Guard member must be a satisfactory participant in the Tennessee National Guard, live within the borders of the state of Tennessee and have a current passing Fitness Assessment score of 75 or higher. An unsatisfactory participant is a member who has accumulated 9 or more unexcused absences from Unit Training Assemblies (UTA) within a 12 month period, or who, without proper authority, fails to attend or complete the entire period of annual training. The Guard member must serve in the Tennessee National Guard beyond the end of the term for which the tuition assistance scholarship is granted. The Guard member must also successfully complete all courses for which benefits are received. ______(Applicant's Initials)

Members of the Tennessee National Guard who meet the requirements of the Tuition Assistance Program may apply using the Tennessee National Guard Tuition Assistance Scholarship Application Form. The form can be obtained from the Base Education and Training Office (BETO) and requires the member's Commander or his /her designated unit representative's endorsement. Once the application has been completed and signed by the member and Commander or his / her designated unit representative, the application will be returned to the BETO. It is highly recommended that the application be hand carried by the applicant to the BETO. The BETO will then review the application for completeness and then forward it to State Headquarters for processing. Those interested in applying for the Tuition Assistance Program must apply for each Semester or term for which they intend to utilize the scholarship. (Applicant's Initials)

The tuition assistance scholarship must be applied to an educational institution, not to the individual. An educational institution is defined as any state supported university, community college or vocational or technical school or any private college or university located within the State of Tennessee. In no case will the combination of this tuition assistance scholarship with any other tuition assistance program exceed 100% of the student's tuition cost. ______(Applicant's Initials)

After submitting an application, if you decide to make any changes to classes that you listed on your application for Tuition Assistance to include withdraw of any or all classes listed please contact the BETO as soon as possible. This is important in order to keep from dispensing funds and then having to recoup them at a later date. An official transcript reflecting all courses listed on your Tuition Assistance Application for which you have applied must be submitted to the BETO immediately upon completion of that Semester. Failure to provide the required documents will prevent you from applying for future Semesters and may result in Judicial Punishment. Failure to successfully complete a course or withdraw from a course for which tuition assistance was received will cause the Guard member to make restitution to the State of Tennessee. (Applicant's Initials)

After accumulation of 9 semester hours at Tennessee National Guard Tuition Assistance Scholarship Program expense you must also attach a copy of your "Degree Plan" to your application each time an application is submitted. _____ (Applicant's Initials)

My current legal residence is within the borders of the state of Tennessee. _____(Applicant's Initials)

I understand that that in order to be eligible for the Tennessee National Guard Tuition Assistance Scholarship Program I must have a current passing Fitness Assessment score of 75 or higher. I also understand that I will be required to provide a copy of the assessment with the scholarship application each time I apply for tuition assistance. (Applicant's Initials)

Funding will be provided to the maximum amounts possible to each applicant until funds are exhausted on an annual basis. Therefore, the amount of assistance provided may vary from Semester to Semester based upon the funds appropriated and the number of applications received. Payment of the Tuition Assistance will be made directly to your educational institution when the money is released by the State. DO NOT rely on State Tuition Assistance to pay your full Tuition or be paid at the start of the Semester for which you are applying. Payment of the Tuition Assistance is made by the State of Tennessee at the earliest possible date; however it could be delayed until the middle or the end of the Semester for which you are applying. Therefore be prepared to cover your financial obligations with the educational institution you are attending. _____(Applicant's Initials)

Questions regarding the program or application process should be directed to the Base Education and Training Office at 985-3253.

C.E DEPENDENT ATTENDS 2009 TEEN SUMMIT

By Tech. Sgt Rusty Dawson

Tech. Sgt. Brian O'Connor, Sam O'Connor, Ellen O'Connor, Clare O'Connor



The Air Force Reserve and the Air National Guard in conjunction with the Ga. 4-H program began a program in 2008 called the Teen Summit for the dependents of it's members to promote skills in leadership, team building, and community involvement.

Only two applicants are chosen from each state and given the choice to attend a five day camp at Jekyll Island, Ga., for a coastal experience or Wahsega 4-H Center, Dohlonega, Ga., for a mountain experience. The Civil Engineering Squadron is proud to announce that one of its dependants was selected to attend. Clare O'Connor, the daughter of Tech. Sgt. Brian O'Connor, was granted the opportunity to be one of the representatives from the state of North Carolina.

Clare is a 15 year old straight A freshman at Croatan HS in Cape Carteret, N.C., where she runs track and is a member of the swim team. To be selected she submitted two short answer essays on "Why do you want to attend the Teen Summit? What do you hope to learn that you can take back to your community?" and "Who is your role model? What characteristics does this person possess that you admire?"

Clare chose the mountain experience camp at Wahsega which was held July 13-17. While there she strengthened her skills in trust, teamwork, and leadership through activities involving white water rafting, environmental education classes, and a high ropes course. Clare along with the other attendees were broken into small groups and tasked to identify the issues that they faced as dependants of Reserve/ Guard members and what could be potential solutions. Two members of each group were selected to develop a briefing for presentation to Air Force Reserve leadership.

Clare and her team mates were given daily responsibilities such as bath house clean-up, mealtime set-up and clean-up, and common area clean-up. At the end of the camp, they were required to clean their cabins to pass a final inspection giving them an opportunity to display their communication, teamwork, and leadership abilities. Clare said it was a great experience and looks forward to applying next year and hopefully being selected to try the coastal experience. All of us in Civil Engineering would like to say congratulations to Tech. Sgt. Brain O'Connor, his wife Ellen, and especially Clare for her hard work and dedication and best wishes in her future success.

Volunteer Photo Submissions



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Kendra Owenby

St. Stephen's Cathedral-Metz, France

American Cemetery & Memorial - Hamm, Luxembourg

Below: Landshut Castle-Bercastel-Kruz, Germany



Antiterrorism Force Protection Threat Levels National Threat Levels for AUGUST 2009

ELEVATED SIGNIFICANT RISK OF TERRORIST ATTACKS

HIGH

HIGH RISK OF TERRORIST ATTACKS AGAINST THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR

FPCON ALPHA GENERAL THREAT OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY

> INFOCON 3 NORMAL ACTIVITY

REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY CALL EXTENSION 3274 OR 911 YOUR CALL MAY SAVE LIVES

THREAT LEVELS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME



The Junior Enlisted Advisory Association will be meeting in Bldg 134 in the headquarters conference room on drill Saturdays from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. All E-1's through E-6's are encouraged to attend!

AUGUST LUNCH MENU

Saturday

SAVORY BAKED CHICKEN SWEDISH MEATBALLS MASHED POTATOES STEAMED RICE CREAMED CORN ASPARAGUS GRAVY ASST FRUITS & BREADS YOGURT SOUP

Sunday

OVEN FRIED FISH PORK LOIN BAKED MAC & CHEESE O'BRIEN POTATOES PEAS SWEET POTATO BROCCOLI COMBO GRAVY ASST FRUITS & BREADS YOGURT SOUP

AUGUST PROMOTIONS

CAPTAIN James Martin, 134 LRS James Reed, 151 ARS

FIRST LIEUTENANT John Hale Jr., 151 ARS Brandon Venard, 151 ARS

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT John Patterson, 134 MXG

SENIOR MASTER SERGEANT Johnny Shumate, 134 OSF

MASTER SERGEANT Christopher Beitz, 134 CF Kristin Boyanton, 134 MDG Jeffrey Gates, 134 FSS Rachel Hester, 134 OG Tyler Ott, 151 ARS

TECHNICAL SERGEANT

Elzie Bivens Jr., 134 FSS Ryan Kuykendall, 134 MXS Wallace Trent, 134 CF

STAFF SERGEANT

Michael Burlison II, 134 FSS Joshua Clark, 572 Band Daron Keesee, 119 CACS Matthew Milliron, 119 CACS Jamie Sexton, 572 Band Elisa Wardeska, 572 Band Jennifer Wood, 151 ARS

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Matthew Adams, 572 Band Leslie Dix III, 572 Band Matthew Finfrock, 134 FSS Jeremy Kidwell, 134 SFS Paul Kim, 134 FSS Thomas Slagle II, 134 SFS

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Johnathan Pittman, Student Ft Michael Webb, Student Ft Jessica Welch, Student Ft Jordan Welch, Student Ft