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**CONGRATULATIONS!
THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR
ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK!**

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134th Air Refueling Wing

Mission - To provide air operations and support in response to any call of the military command structure.

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



NOVEMBER 11TH

VETERANS DAY

**CASE LOT SALE!!! 6TH, 7TH, 8TH
PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM BX**

Customer Service

Hours for

Clothing Issue:

Saturday

0830 -1100

1215 -1530

Sunday 0830 -1430

Customer Service

Hours for

SECURITY FORCES:

Sat

0830-1130

Sun

0830-1130

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**Deadline for
submitting articles
is November 26th**



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CONGRATULATIONS AWARD WINNERS!!!

Inspector General Coin Recipients

Lt Col Elizabeth Hill	134th Force Support SQ
Lt Col Chico Messer	134th Civil Engineering SQ
SMSgt Dustin Lance	134th Force Support SQ
SMSgt Richard Lusby	134th Contracting SQ
MSgt Todd Chamberlin	134th Logistics Readiness SQ
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MSgt Robert Cole	134th Civil Engineering SQ
TSgt Jeffrey Hurst	134th Communications Flight
TSgt Rebecca Nicholson	134th Force Support SQ
SSgt John Rode	134th Communications Flight
SSgt Darla Shannon	134th Security Force SQ
A1C Bobby Cruze	134th Operations Supp Flight

**Maintenance LCAP Inspection 95.2 OUTSTANDING
1st Ever LCAP in ANG!!!**

Maintenance IG Coin Recipients

SMSgt Rick Freiwald
SMSgt John Gresham
SMSgt Steve Lambert
MSgt Marlene Bradley
MSgt Charlie Ferguson
MSgt Steve Kear
MSgt Kenny Meyers

134th Command Post Vacancies - Two Traditional Command Post Controller Positions Open

Mission of the Command Post Controller is to provide the wing commander the capability to execute command and control of his forces in response to any call of the military command structure. The controller is the eyes, ears, and mouthpiece of the Commander.

The Controller:

- * Transmits instructions to aircrews and support assets to coordinate launch, recall, execute, and terminate missions in support of nuclear operational events.

- * In a minimum time and without error, must be able to copy, decode, validate, process, and relay the Emergency Action Message (EAM) to appropriate personnel and complete checklist actions in response to any tasking received from Higher Headquarters.

- * Maintains OPLAN 8010 certification in the Emergency Action Procedures of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS), United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), Air Mobility Command (AMC), and the Air National Guard Bureau (ANG).

- * Maintains 24/7 classified communication systems used for receiving and transmitting message traffic.

- * Establish priority of actions based on a variety of situations, and uses controller judgment to resolve multiple tasking received simultaneously.

- * Controls movement and status of the Alert Force and coordinates Alert Force requirements with key agencies.

- * Briefs the Crisis Action Team (CAT) and the Alert Force on a variety of critical situations.

- * Must learn and retain for instant recall and reference, a considerable body of knowledge related to Emergency Action Procedures (EAP). Monthly testing includes (2) 25 question test, a OPLAN 8010 50 question test, and multiple scenario training.

- * Responds to numerous quick reaction situations initiating Emergency Actions Procedures and Quick Reaction Checklist.

- * Executes and supports all aspects of the Tanker Strategic Aircraft Reconstitution Team (TSART), including establishing classified satellite communication systems.

- * Utilizes a variety of COMSEC documents, including Top Secret.

- * Good communication and written skills are a requirement to accomplish duties and responsibilities.

- * Top Secret Security Clearance and a rotating 24/7 work schedule.

- * Air Force in-residence courses Command Post Apprentice (Keesler AFB, MS), Joint Nuclear Command and Control (Offutt AFB, NE), AMC Command and Control Course (Scott AFB, IL).



The position of a Command Post Controller is an opportunity to be the pulse for any emergency, wartime, or contingency operation of the 134ARW. For more information on the position contact CMSgt Lisa J. Cope, Command Post Superintendent, at DSN 266-4371 or 4023.

134th Air Refueling Wing Dining Out - 6 February 2009

The 134th Air Refueling Wing is honored to host a Military Dining-Out ceremony on February 6, 2009. Please plan to join us in this night of camaraderie, fellowship and social rapport. Throughout antiquity, military feasts have been used by Roman Legions, Medieval Knights, Monastic Orders and the Vikings to celebrate military victories. Drawing from this ancient tradition, the Continental Army, under the leadership of George Washington, adopted the Dining-Out for military celebrations at the birth of our nation.

The Dining-Out will enhance the esprit de corps, lighten the load of your demanding day-to-day work, provide commanders with an opportunity to socialize with their subordinates and will enable military members of all ranks to create bonds of friendship and greater working relations through this atmosphere of good fellowship.

If you have participated in a Dining-Out in the past, please share your experiences with your co-workers and friends. For anyone who has not had the opportunity to experience this military tradition first hand, please come and enjoy the festivities for the night and create memories that will stay with you throughout your lifetime.

For the event, National Guard members should wear the mess dress or semi-formal dress uniform. Civilians should wear appropriate black tie attire, to include a dark suit for males and long evening dress for females. The main entrees will consist of Chicken Florentine and London Broil. Cost for the event is based on your current military rank (Major and above is \$22.00, MSgt through Captain is \$20.00 and Airman through TSgt is \$16.00). All tickets for the event will be available for purchase beginning the December UTA from all installation Chief Master Sergeants. For more information, please contact CMSgt Linda Gibson at 985-3252.

TEC Rewards 228th Member for Service

by Master Sgt. Mavi Smith, I.G. Brown Air National Guard Training and Education Center



Staff Sgt. Jessica Parks poses with Col. Richard B. Howard, TEC Commander, upon receiving the Air Force Commendation Medal. (US Air Force photo by MSgt Kurt Skoglund)

9/25/2009 - McGHEE TYSON ANGB, Tenn. -- A servicemember from the 228th Combat Communications Squadron here received the Air Force Commendation Medal from Col. Richard B. Howard, commander of The I.G. Brown Air National Guard Training and Education Center, during his commander's call at Wilson Hall here, Sept. 25.

Staff Sgt. Jessica C. Parks, a knowledge operations specialist who has been performing active duty operational support days at the Training and Education Center, distinguished herself by outstanding achievement as a curriculum developer from Nov. 24, 2008 to Aug. 1, 2009 while assigned to the Transformative Education (TE) branch.

"I was excited to receive this award," said Parks, whose tour at the Training and Education Center will end on Sept. 30. "I loved working with the TE branch on their projects and it was nice to be recognized for the things I did here." Parks has been working on a special project for the Air Force's Barnes Center for Enlisted Education, which is located at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala.

"We had a huge strategic level project," said Chief Master Sgt. Christopher J. Coyne, Chief of the TE branch, of their project to redesign the paper-based Noncommissioned Officer Academy Course 0009 into a web-based medium for

enhanced learning.

Parks' expertise allowed for the seamless conversion of 21 in-residence lesson plans to a distance learning format using audio, video and graphic material to create an interactive experience for Air National Guard noncommissioned officers. Her demonstrated leadership in organizing, scheduling and coordinating support for the project eliminated costly work stoppage and project delays and enabled the TE branch to meet the project's time-sensitive deadline. "There is no way the project would have ever been completed on time without her," said Coyne. "It was her skills, attitude and energy that helped us to deliver it." But this wasn't only a win for the TE branch. Parks has learned new skills that she has already put to good use at her unit.

"I've learned a lot of things over this period," said Parks. "It's helped me to put a lesson plan together for my job and I was able to teach AFRIMS (Air Force Records Information Management Systems) and ERM (Electronic Records Management) to others at my unit and it's actually helped everyone out. "The Course 0009 project is currently in the evaluation phase at the Air Force's Barnes Center for Enlisted Education. The I.G. Brown Air National Guard Training and Education Center's Transformative Education branch is the Air National Guard's design center for Advanced Distributive Learning initiatives and provides training in numerous personal and professional development courses.

THE SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT

Submitted by Lt Col. Ronald Small, JAG

The Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA), signed into law in 2003, provides many legal protections for members of the Armed Forces. Members of the National Guard recalled for State duty are protected by the SCRA when called to state active duty under Title 32, if the duty is because of a federal emergency, the request for active duty is made by the President or Secretary of Defense, and the member is activated for longer than 30 days.

As noted, the SCRA provides many protections, but this article will discuss some of the most common:

Termination of Residential Leases. The SCRA allows individuals to break a lease when they go onto active duty, if the lease was entered into before going onto active duty. Additionally, the act allows a servicemember to terminate a residential lease entered into while in the military, if the member receives permanent change of station (PCS) orders, or orders to deploy for a period of not less than 90 days. To break a lease under these provisions, the servicemember must make the request in writing, and must include a copy of their orders (orders placing them on active duty, PCS orders, or deployment orders). The termination date for a lease that requires monthly rent, the earliest termination date is 30 days after the first date on which the next payment is due, following proper notification of termination of lease.

Automobile Leases. Military members may also terminate automobile leases in certain circumstances. Just like with residential leases, if a member enters into an automobile lease before going on active duty, the member may request termination of the lease when he/she goes onto active duty. However, for this to apply, the active duty must be for at least 180 continuous days. To terminate an automobile lease, the member must make the request in writing, along with a copy of orders. The member must then return the vehicle to the lessor within 15 days of delivery of the termination notice. The lessor is prohibited from charging an early lease termination fee. However, any taxes, summonses, and title and registration fees and any other obligation and liability of the lessee in accordance with the terms of the lease, including reasonable charges to the lessee for excess wear, use and mileage, that are due and unpaid at the time of termination of the lease shall be paid by the lessee.

Evictions from leased housing. A service member may seek protection from eviction under SCRA. The rented/leased property must be occupied by the service member or his/her dependents for the purpose of housing, and the rent cannot exceed \$2,400. The servicemember or dependent who has received notice of an eviction must submit a request to the court for protection under the SCRA. If the court finds that the service member's military duties have materially affected his ability to pay his rent timely, the judge may order a stay, postponement, of the eviction proceeding for up to 3 months or make any other "just" order.

Installment Contracts. The SCRA gives certain protections against repossessions for installment contracts (including automobile leases). If the contract was entered into before going on active duty and at least one payment was made before that time, the creditor cannot repossess the property, while the member is on active duty, nor can they terminate the contract for breach, without a court order.

6% Interest Rate. If a service member's military obligation has affected his/her ability to pay on financial obligations such as credit cards, loans, mortgages, etc., the service member can have his/her interest rate capped at 6% for the duration of the service member's military obligation. In order for an obligation or liability of a servicemember to be subject to the interest rate limitation, the servicemember must provide to the creditor written notice and a copy of the military orders calling the servicemember to military service. The portion of the loan above 6 percent is permanently forgiven. Furthermore, the monthly payment must be reduced by the amount of interest saved during the covered period.

Court Proceedings. If a servicemember is a defendant in a civil court proceeding, the court **may**, on its own motion, grant a 90-day stay (delay) in the proceedings. If the servicemember asks for a stay, the court **must** grant a minimum 90 day stay, if: The servicemember submits a letter or other communication setting forth facts stating the manner in which current military duty requirements materially affect the servicemember's ability to appear and stating a date when the servicemember will be available to appear; and the servicemember submits a letter or other communication from the servicemember's commanding officer stating that the servicemember's current military duty prevents appearance and that military leave is not authorized for the servicemember at the time of the letter. The provision applies to civil lawsuits, suits for paternity, child custody suits, and bankruptcy debtor/creditor meetings, and administrative proceedings. The new act specifically states that a servicemember communicating with the court requesting a stay does not constitute an appearance for jurisdictional purposes and does not constitute a waiver of any substantive or procedural defense (including a defense relating to lack of personal jurisdiction).

A servicemember who is granted a stay may request an additional stay, if he/she can show that military requirements affect his/her ability to appear (commander's letter is also needed). However, the court is not obligated to grant the additional stay. If the court refuses to grant an additional stay of proceedings, the court must appoint counsel to represent the servicemember in the action or proceeding.

If a default judgment is entered in a civil action against a servicemember during the servicemember's period of military service (or within 60 days after termination of or release from such military service), the court entering the judgment must, upon application by or on behalf of the servicemember, reopen the judgment for the purpose of allowing the servicemember to defend the action if it appears that-- the servicemember was materially affected by reason of that military service in making a defense to the action; and the servicemember has a meritorious or legal defense to the action or some part of it.

These are just a few of the common provisions that service members should be aware of. The Base Legal Office is available to answer questions and/or draft any documents allowing service members to take advantage of the protections of the SCRA. You can contact us at extension 3115 for an appointment.

DID YOU KNOW?

Submitted by MSgt Rachel Harness, 134th Aviation Resource Management

On Armed Forces Day, November 12, 1956 ten streets on McGhee Tyson Air Force Base were renamed for area airmen who were victims of World War II, and the Korean War era. Colonel George Simlar was the Base Commander at the time.

One of the streets named was Briscoe Drive. It was named after Lt Russell Briscoe Jr, who was the first Knox County casualty of the Korean War. Lt Briscoe was a Knoxville High School graduate in 1943 and entered the Air Force shortly after. Lt Briscoe was in training for a possible invasion of Japan, when the atomic bomb suddenly brought WW II to a close. He was discharged to the inactive reserves in November 1945. After separation he attended a little school we still know as the University of Tennessee. He reentered the Air Force and was assigned to DOW Air Force, Bangor Maine, then was transferred overseas to Johnson Air Base near Tokyo, Japan, flying the F-80 Shooting Star Jet Fighter.

After a hurried check-out in the P-51 Mustang Fighter, he moved to Pohang-dong, Korea. On 6 Aug 1950, barely six weeks after the armed conflict began, Lt. Briscoe leading a flight of two P-51's on a low level armed reconnaissance mission in the Yongduk area, was hit by hostile ground fire and crashed. He had previously been awarded the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters for distinguishing himself in battle from 8 July to 2 Aug 1950. On 3 August he led a flight of Mustangs that had destroyed three locomotives, four rail cars, a fuel dump, and many Communist group troops, for this air action he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. The next time you drive down Briscoe Drive, think about what you did to receive your medals!

TEC Recognizes 134th Member for Achievement

by Master Sgt. Mavi Smith, I.G. Brown Air National Guard Training and Education Center



Staff Sgt. Lindsey Watson-Kirwin poses with Col. Richard B. Howard, TEC Commander, upon receiving the Air Force Achievement Medal. (US Air Force photo by MSgt Kurt Skoglund)

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"It's always nice to be recognized when you put a lot of hard work and hours into a project," said Watson-Kirwin, whose tour at the Training and Education Center will end on Sept. 30. "I thoroughly enjoyed working in the TE branch so I'm kind of sad to be leaving." One of the products Watson-Kirwin has been working on is the Air Force Human Resources Management School project to redesign a paper-based training course to a web-based medium for enhanced learning.

"Staff Sgt. Watson-Kirwin is an integral part of our process," said Chief Master Sgt. Christopher J. Coyne, Chief of the TE branch. "The advanced distributive learning projects we do in the TE branch have grown exponentially. Without her here helping us we wouldn't have been able to accept the work, never mind do it."

Her skills allowed for the seamless conversion of 12 in-residence lesson plans to a distance learning format using audio, video and graphic material to create an interactive experience for Employee Management Relations specialists.

"My public affairs background really helped me to ease into the curriculum development process," said Watson-Kirwin of the editing, design and layout skills she uses as a traditional guardsman to help publish the base newspaper, the "Volunteer." She said they were a great complement to the processes the TE branch uses to design web-based training products.

Watson-Kirwin also assisted the TE branch on a special project for the Air Force's Barnes Center for Enlisted Education, which is located at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala.

Her contributions to the project enabled the TE branch to meet a time-sensitive deadline to redesign the paper-based Noncommissioned Officer Academy Course 0009 into a web-based training product for Air National Guard noncommissioned officers. The Course 0009 project is currently in the evaluation phase at the Air Force's Barnes Center for Enlisted Education. The I.G. Brown Air National Guard Training and Education Center's Transformative Education branch is the Air National Guard's design center for Advanced Distributive Learning initiatives and provides training in numerous personal and professional development courses.

November HRA Minute



“Beam me up Scotty! There’s no intelligent life here!” Have you ever wanted to shout that out during a 15 year old diversity video you are enduring for the umpteenth time? Especially when you really need to be back in your section learning how to troubleshoot the new network server, or in the cockpit teaching that new pilot what to do when all the instruments go dark on an instrument approach? Or is it just me?

I remember the first episode of Star Trek in September of 1966. Man, was I captivated. Our country was in a race to put a man on the moon and my 10 year old imagination was captured! Life was much simpler then. Today, we are fighting a war against an enemy who doesn’t wear a uniform. We tip-toe around boundaries of political correctness and attempt to conduct ourselves according to changing rules. In the original Star Trek crew, you saw incredible diversity...Captain Kirk, a farm boy from Iowa; Spock, half human – half Vulcan; Sulu, half Japanese – half Filipino; Scottie; born in Scotland (Duh!); Chekov, a Russian engineer; Lt. Uhura, an African who speaks Swahili; and Dr. McCoy, a University of Mississippi graduate. The Next Generation crews are even more diverse. In addition to physical and ethnic diversity, you see completely different skill sets available to Captain Picard when he makes decisions. He assembles his crew and gets each person’s perspective of situations. Each perspective is unique and critically contributes to the decision making process. There is an emotional, sensitive perspective; a logical, android perspective; the perspective of a blind engineer who can “see” things not visible to the naked eye; the perspective of a warrior who always wants to fight; a caring, nurturing perspective in which the needs of the crew are paramount; and the perspective of a smart junior officer whose intelligence knows no bounds. If Captain Picard listened to only one person, he might end up making an inferior decision. But because he listens to everyone’s input, he makes better, more informed decisions. He has taken full advantage of the diversity within his crew and applies it to each new situation.

I guarantee that there are people in your unit who possess talents that are not being utilized, it may be YOU. There is someone in the background who is not in the “click” who has a good idea but doesn’t speak up because they don’t feel valued. There is someone who is eager to assume more responsibility and can handle it!...if they were only given the opportunity. Diversity is not a training square we fill, **diversity is reality**. If we exclude someone because they are “different”, we cheat the organization. The diversity in our organization makes us stronger. Prejudice and narrow-mindedness can creep into all of our thinking because of our upbringing and the culture in which we live. We are conditioned to think certain things about certain people, even though those things may not be based in reality. I have challenged myself, and I challenge all of us, to judge people by the content of their character. For some of us that might mean “Boldly going where we haven’t gone before”. That journey will pay great dividends.

SMSgt Mike Lonas
134ARW Human Resource Advisor
Ext. 3329

MAINTENANCE MINUTE

By Master Sgt. Dennis Newroth

“After further review, there is enough evidence to overturn the ruling on the field”. At this time of year, you hear those words a lot if you watch enough football. The Maintenance Group was very excited to hear similar words concerning the recent LCAP Inspection. The initial grade that was given to



A vintage KC-97 refueling aircraft from McGhee Tyson ANGB flies through the clouds on the way to its next mission. (US Air Force photo by unknown photographer)

Maintenance was 93% compliant which put the Maintenance Group into the “Excellent” category. This was a good score but it was not the score we expected after all the hard work and preparation. However, the inspectors returned home and conducted their team outbrief and found that several errors were made. The team swiftly corrected their errors, notified the Commanders of their mistakes, and upgraded the score to 95.2% compliant. This boosted the 134th Maintenance Group into the “Outstanding” category which is right where we thought we would be.

The entire Maintenance group put forth an exceptional effort preparing for this inspection and everyone is to be commended for their time and efforts. There were a few individuals that were recognized by the inspection team

as Outstanding Performers: SMSgt Richard Freiwald, SMSgt John Gresham, SMSgt Steven Lambert, MSgt Marlene Bradley, MSgt Joseph Ferguson, MSgt Steven Kear, and MSgt Kenneth Meyers.

Now that the inspection is over, we can all breathe a little easier. We are going to relax and enjoy the “Outstanding” inspection. But as we ease into winter time and the holiday season, let’s not forget about safety. Every day we need to think about safety and how important it is to our jobs and our lives. Sometimes it’s the little things we forget and those things are usually the most important. For instance, when you get into a vehicle, whether at home or at work, BUCKLE YOUR SEATBELT!! Not only is it base policy, it’s the law. Furthermore, there are numerous construction projects in progress around the base so watch out for heavy machinery and also FOD. When traveling on the flightline, make sure your flightline driving certification is current and be aware of your surroundings. If you hear aircraft engines running, look for a marshaller wearing an orange vest in front of the airplane. The airplane may be getting ready to taxi. Also be aware of personnel towing aircraft or aircraft equipment. Once again, congratulations to everyone in Maintenance on a job well done. Let’s savor the “Outstanding” and stay safe!!



“Year of the Air Force Family” Website Launched

Submitted by Sharon White, 119th First Sgt.

Air Force officials have launched a new Web site to showcase the Year of the Air Force Family effort. Airmen and their families can log on to <http://www.af.mil/yoaff/index.asp> to learn about AF-wide initiatives, monthly themes and programs, as well as contact local installation Airman Family and Readiness Centers to find out about local events and activities.

Are You Doing Your Part?

Submitted by Senior Master Sgt. Michael Lonas

We pride ourselves on being professionals here at McGhee Tyson. One thing that professionals do is they support professional organizations. Our professional military organizations deserve our support and if you are one of many members at McGhee Tyson who withhold that support, lend me your ear. Did you know that nearly all of the "quality of life" enhancements we receive as military members come from Congress, not the Department of Defense? Did you know that many of our benefits are continually being challenged by lawmakers as they try to cut costs? The percentage of our elected representatives who have military experience is steadily dropping. Who is going to give the incoming "newbies" our perspective? How can we protect our interests when benefits dollars are put on the chopping block? We can support Professional Military Organizations, that's how. There is strength in numbers, and Congress listens to organizations that represent lots of people. That is why it is important for you to belong. The organizations that represent YOU are the *National Guard Association of the United States* and the *Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States*. Your membership dues provide the means for these organizations to recruit and sustain talented individuals to engage leaders on Capitol Hill and fight for our interests. Here are some recent accomplishments of our national associations:

2008 **Pay!** 3.9% pay raise, even though the Administration only asked for 3.4%
More money! Hazardous duty pay raised from \$150 to \$1,500 monthly
More education! New GI Bill with stipends and better benefits
More affordable! Held TRICARE fees at today's level, not 350% increase
More health care! Extends VA care from 2 years to 5
Earlier retirement! Deployment time counts for earlier retirement

2009
Pay! 3.9% pay raise, even though the Administration only asked for 3.5%
More full time people! Additional AGRs and Mil Techs—readiness!
Longer reup periods! Reenlist for up to 8 years, not capped at 6
More for your spouse! Tuition assistance program for spouses
More equipment! Over a billion dollars invested in your protection

Benefits made possible through state associations (not all benefits are available in all states):

- ✓ Education scholarships and tuition waivers or reimbursements
- ✓ State income tax advantages
- ✓ Group life insurance
- ✓ Distinctive vehicle license plates
- ✓ Low cost home loans
- ✓ State bonus for combat zone service
- ✓ Free drivers license
- ✓ Monetary award for enlistment referrals
- ✓ Credit union membership
- ✓ Free toll passes on bridges and highways
- ✓ Exemption from arrest while going to/from duty
- ✓ Interest free emergency loans
- ✓ State retirement income for NG service
- ✓ Reduced or free hunting/fishing licenses
- ✓ Limited exemption of property taxes
- ✓ Exemption from jury duty
- ✓ Burial rights in state cemeteries



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I'll cut to the chase. Have you enjoyed any of the benefits listed above? There was a cost paid to lobby for those benefits. If you aren't a member, then you have enjoyed something that someone else paid for. Please give serious consideration to joining one of our professional organizations. It will strengthen the organization and ensure that your voice continues to be heard on Capitol Hill. Here are links for more information:

Enlisted Association of the National Guard

www.EANGUS.org

Enlisted Association of the National Guard of Tennessee

www.EANGTN.org

National Guard Association of the United States

www.NGAUS.org

National Guard Association of Tennessee

www.NGATN.org

Other worthy professional military organizations: Air Force Association

www.AFA.org

Air Force Sergeants Association

www.AFSAHQ.org

We have incredible support at McGhee Tyson of the National Guard Association from our officers. As a matter of fact, we lead the country. However, the support from the enlisted ranks is pretty pathetic at about 10 percent. The cost of membership is low and the benefits are great! You will receive periodic newsletters that will keep you informed of association efforts and issues that influence your career. Contact me if you have questions.

SMSgt Mike Lonas

134ARW Human Resource Advisor

EXT 3329



INFORMATION SECURITY

ALERT:

A website has been identified claiming to be the official website of the Air Force Portal (legitimate address: <https://www.my.af.mil/faf/FAF/fafHome.jsp>). Although the website, www.AirForcePortal.net, contains a plethora of information, it is not the official AF site. It uses common phishing practices to gain access to logins, passwords and credentials.

Information Assurance POCs:

MSgt Croegaert, ext 4925 MSgt LaDue, ext 4936.

Recommended Reading “Cyber Threat Bulletin” accessed via the AF Portal main page under *Air Force Announcements*.

Portable Electronic Devices (PED)

Portable Electronic Devices (PEDs), according to AFI 33-100, is a generic title used to describe a myriad of small electronic items (e.g. Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), Cellular Telephones (CTs), two-way pagers, audio/video recording devices, and hand-held/laptop computers) widely available. Almost all have wireless telecommunications capabilities that offer tremendous advantages for government users. However, there are key things that PED users need to know and understand.

- Connecting non-government-owned PEDs to an Air Force network is prohibited. If individuals have a requirement to use a PED on an Air Force network, they must request issuance of a government-owned PED.
- Once issued, users must comply with Air Force IS operating instructions.
- Encrypt data transmitted through a commercial or wireless network (data-in-transit).
- Protect data stored or processed by the PED against tampering, theft, and loss.
- Encrypt all stored information (data-at-rest) not otherwise approved for public release. Contact your CSA for approved procedures for encrypting. Contact your Freedom of Information Act Officer or Public Affairs Officer for information on determining what information is releasable to the public.
- Obtain DAA approval before using a PED for storing or processing High Impact Personally Identifiable Information (PII) and restrict use to protected workplaces. PEDs taken outside protected workplaces must adhere to the following additional security requirements:
 - The PED must be signed in and out of protected workplaces with a supervising official.
 - Do not use wireless-enabled PEDs for storing, processing or transmitting classified information without explicit written approval of the DAA and cognizant security authority.
 - Do not connect PEDs to more than one network at a time. PEDs connected directly to a Department of Defense (DoD)-wired network (e.g., via a hot synch connection to a workstation) must not be permitted to operate wirelessly.
 - Do not use wireless-enabled PEDs in areas where classified information is discussed or processed without coordination from the installation EMSEC manager.
 - Do not enable wireless capability unless necessary for the mission and approved by the DAA.
 - Immediately report lost or stolen PEDs to the Client Support Administrator (CSA) or Information Security Officer (ISO).

134 ARW SAFETY ZONE



Your 134 ARW Safety Team - from left to right: Senior Master Sgt. Michael Smeltzer, Lt. Col. Gary Smith, and Master Sgt. Larry Harper (US Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. David Knable)

Enjoy the Beautiful Autumn Season!!! But Please Think Safety!!!

134th ARW SAFETY

Fall is a wonderful time of the year with many opportunities to celebrate and enjoy the great east Tennessee climate. As you are out and about, utilize the safety mindset you use on base. Also, the holidays provide a wonderful time to enjoy our families and the traditions that each has established. Your safety office can impart insights to aid in your holiday enjoyment. Please contact them if you have any questions regarding how to make your work or home environment safer.

*-Colonel Timothy Dearing
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Fall Seasonal Safety

"We've upped our safety standards, so up yours too!"

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MEDICAL GROUP

SATURDAY UTA

0815-1130 HOURS PHAs
0830-0850 HOURS FITNESS FOR DUTY EVALUATIONS
0830-1130 HOURS IMMUNIZATIONS/NO YELLOW FEVER SHOTS
0830-1130 HOURS QNFT TESTING (BEE OFFICE)
0830-1130 HOURS QNFT TESTING (LRS)
1130-1230 HOURS LUNCH
1300-1430 HOURS IMMUNIZATIONS/NO YELLOW FEVER SHOTS
1300-1400 HOURS SHOT TEAMS TO MXS (ORANGE HANGER)
and BAND (located at 278th Army)
1330-1400 HOURS SHOT TEAM-RILEY'S EXAM ROOM FOR SERVICES PERSONNEL

SUNDAY UTA

0700-0830 HOURS SHOT TEAMS TO LRS/CE/HQ
0800-1700 HOURS ANAM TESTING FOR DEPLOYERS-TEC CLASSROOM 113/115-
MSGT ATKINS-POC
1030-1200 HOURS SF DEPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS-IMMUNIZATIONS, LAB and
OPTOMETRY
1130-1230 HOURS LUNCH
1145-1215 HOURS SHOT TEAM TO OPS/COMM
1230-1500 HOURS GAS MASK FIT TESTING (CE)



FLUMIST IS HERE!!!

Please ensure all personnel who receive shots/flumist have completed the screening form prior to the teams arrival.

Friday:

0530-0700- Security Forces

Saturday:

0830-1130- Clinic

1300-1430- Clinic

1300-1400 Maintenance break room (Orange Hanger)

1330- Services (Clinic-Riley's exam room) 1330-1400-Band 278th Army Facility

Sunday:

0715-0800 HQ (Conference Room)

0730-0830 LRS (Warehouse)

0730-0830 CE (Fire Hall)

1145-1215 Ops/ Comm (Aircraft Briefing Room)



Do You Know the Symptoms of H1N1?

Submitted by Maj Lisa Godsey, 134th Medical Group

What are the symptoms of H1N1... and how are they different from the common cold?

Symptom	Cold	H1N1 Flu
Fever	Fever is rare with a cold.	Fever is usually present with the flu in up to 80% of all flu cases. A temperature of 100°F or higher for 3 to 4 days is associated with the flu.
Coughing	A hacking, productive (mucus-producing) cough is often present with a cold.	A non-productive (non-mucus producing) cough is usually present with the flu (sometimes referred to as dry cough).
Aches	Slight body aches and pains can be part of a cold.	Severe aches and pains are common with the flu.
Stuffy Nose	Stuffy nose is commonly present with a cold and typically resolves spontaneously within a week.	Stuffy nose is not commonly present with the flu.
Chills	Chills are uncommon with a cold.	60% of people who have the flu experience chills.
Tiredness	Tiredness is fairly mild with a cold.	Tiredness is moderate to severe with the flu.
Sneezing	Sneezing is commonly present with a cold.	Sneezing is not common with the flu.
Sudden Symptoms	Cold symptoms tend to develop over a few days.	The flu has a rapid onset within 3-6 hours. The flu hits hard and includes sudden symptoms like high fever, aches and pains.
Headache	A headache is fairly uncommon with a cold.	A headache is very common with the flu, present in 80% of flu cases.
Sore Throat	Sore throat is commonly present with a cold.	Sore throat is not commonly present with the flu.
Chest Discomfort	Chest discomfort is mild to moderate with a cold.	Chest discomfort is often severe with the flu.

If you think you have the H1N1 flu, you should take a few common-sense steps to protect your friends, family members, and coworkers. For instance, if you feel sick, stay home until you feel better and have gone at least 24 hours without relying on medicine to break your fever.

In addition, wash your hands, linens, dishes, and so on thoroughly. And cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze--and then throw the tissue away immediately. Finally, if you have to share a small space with other people, consider wearing a facemask to help make sure you don't spread the flu to the people around you.

LINE OF DUTY DETERMINATIONS FOR INJURIES/ILLNESS WHILE IN A DUTY STATUS

Submitted by Chief Glenn Riley, 134th MDG

If you are injured or contract an illness while in a duty status (IDT, UTA, PT, TPPA, AD Orders less than 31 days) it is imperative that you notify your immediate supervisor and the 134th Medical Group regardless of the extent of your illness or injury for completion of a Line of Duty (LOD) Determination. Payment of medical claims for LOD injuries or illnesses are covered by TRICARE through coordination with the 134th Medical Group and the Military Medical Support Office (MMSO).

It is in your best interest to ensure that a Line of Duty determination is completed and annotated in your medical record in case there are any residual effects from the illness or injury at a later date that require continued care or possible claims through the Veterans Administration for disability.

If you have any questions or need further information please contact the 134th Medical Group's Independent Duty Medical Technicians: CMSgt Glen Riley, ext. 4278, SMSgt Chris McLain, ext. 4286, MSgt Jack Atkins, ext. 4353 or the Senior Health Technician, CMSgt Denise Reagan, ext. 4276.



Angel Tree - Make A Child's Christmas



The McGhee Tyson Family Readiness Group is once again sponsoring our annual "Angel Tree" event. You have the opportunity to help a less fortunate child this holiday season by picking an "Angel" from the Angel Tree, located at the 134th Dining Facility. The Angel will identify whether the child is a boy or girl, their age and their wish. This year, please place the gift in a "gift bag" and then place under the tree with the Angel attached. Please return all gifts by the Dec UTA so they can be distributed before Christmas. We hope you will share in the gift of giving.

Chaplains Assistant Vacancy Announcement

There is a traditional vacancy announcement for a Chaplains Assistant at the 134th Air Refueling Wing. If you are interested in the position please contact Lt Col. (Chaplain) Jimmy Wilson at extension 3217 in the 134th ARW Chaplains Office.



New Kids on the Block



A1C Brent Leach
134th Services



A1C John Champney
572nd AF Band



A1C Lawrence Hampton
134th Security Forces



SrA Scott Hollis
134th Public Affairs



TSgt Jack West
134th Public Affairs



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. Dearing) 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 www.opm.gov/e-gip, 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: <http://www.tnknox.ang.af.mil/Recruiting.htm>

KEEP BLOUNT BEAUTIFUL

BLOUNT COUNTY RECYCLES DAY

November 7 10am-1pm

Bicentennial Park Pavilion

(Behind Blount County Courthouse)

PICK UP YOUR FREE RECYCLING BIN PROVIDED BY ALOCA, INC.

FREE SMALL BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION RECYCLING PACKAGE

(BUSINESSES MUST SIGN A RECYCLING PLEDGE CARD AND LEAVE A BUSINESS CARD)

TO INCLUDE: FREE RECYCLING BIN
FREE CAN CRUSHER
FREE RECYCLING PRESENTATION FROM KBB
FREE 90 DAYS BUSINESS SUBSCRIPTION TO SPECTRA RECYCLING

RECYCLED ART/CRAFT & INFORMATION BOOTHS

****BRING IN A RECYCLABLE ITEM LISTED BELOW AND REGISTER TO WIN PRIZES!****

COLLECTING THE FOLLOWING RECYCLABLES:

USED CLEAN CLOTHING, USED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, EYEGLASSES, HEARING AIDS, LICENSE PLATES, CELL PHONES, ALUMINUM CANS, COMPUTER/ELECTRONICS FOR A FEE OF 50¢ lb, USED CLEAN COATS, CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS & BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION.

EVENT SPONSORED BY:



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THRIFT STORE

SPECTRA RECYCLING

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Keep Blount Beautiful 681-4809 www.keepblountbeautiful.org

**Antiterrorism Force Protection Threat Levels
National Threat Levels for November 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**

Promotions

Major

Frederick M. Kennel, 151st ARS
Uvalde E. Mendez, 119th

Chief Master Sergeant

Dennis L. Pack, 134th SFS

Master Sergeant

Kenneth M. Brown, 134th CF
Carol P. Connatser, 151st ARS
Rachel M. Harness, 134th OSF
Steven R. Kear, 134th MXS
Christopher C. Langdon, 228th
Wayne C. Love, 134th LRS

Staff Sergeant

Bradley R. Anderson, 134th AMS
Ryan L. Banks, 134th CES
Kara C. Bragg, 134th LRS

Senior Airman

Kyle J. Charnley, 119th
Joshua W. Graham, 119th
John C. Jackson, 134th MXS
Donnie L. Jones Jr., 151st ARS
Aaron D. Kimberlin, 134th CES
Lindsey E. Parton, 151st ARS
Michael M. Smith, 134th SFS
Andrew G. Weber, 119th

NOV LUNCH MENU

Saturday

MEAT LOAF
CAJUN BAKED FISH
STEAMED RICE
EGG NOODLES
BAKED BEANS
PEAS
CORNBREAD
GRAVY
SOUP OF THE DAY
SHORT ORDER

Sunday

ROAST TURKEY
ROAST BEEF
MASHED POTATOES
SWEET POTATOES
CARROTS
GREEN BEANS
GRAVY
CORNBREAD DRESSING
CRANBERRY SAUCE
DINNER ROLLS
FRENCH ONION SOUP



Knoxville SALE

November 6, 7, & 8

From 0900 to 1800



We will have holiday items!



We will be in Army Building:
2111 Army Drive
Louisville, TN
(As you first come in the gate)

For additional information contact Patti King at
(270) 798-2606 ext. 3106 or
patricia.king@deca.mil

McGhee Tyson Christmas Party

Wilson Hall
December 5th

1800 Social Hour
Live Band
1930 Prize give away
(Wii, GPS, and more)

Dress is Business Casual
Menu: Shrimp Cocktail, Fajita Bar,
Chicken Tenders, and more

Ticket prices; \$10 (\$12 at the door)
Tickets can be purchased from the First Sergeants