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DINING HALL MENU

SUMMER COOKING TIPS



Most often food poisoning occurs because food is incorrectly handled, cooked, or stored. These steps can help reduce the chances of getting food poisoning.

- Wash you hands, utensils and food surfaces often
- Keep raw foods separate from ready-to-eat foods
- Cook food to the recommended temperature
- Defrost food safely in the refrigerator, microwave or cold water

USE CAUTION WHEN SERVING FOOD:

- Throw out leftovers that have been out for more than two hours
- Use a tray of ice for cold foods that must stay out for longer than two hours
- Use warming trays for hot foods that must stay out for longer than two hours

ON THE COVER >>



A Massachusetts Air National Guardsman watches the perimeter of a landing zone while a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter touches down during a three day long exercise held on the Massachusetts Military Reservation in June.

U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Aaron Smith

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Unit Training Assembly duty hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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FROM THE DESK OF THE 102 MDG COMMANDER

By Col. Maureen McCarthy

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Hello from Baghdad, Iraq! I am currently deployed as the 447th Expeditionary Medical Squadron (EMEDS) commander at Sather Air Base.

It has been a whirlwind for me getting acclimated to the time zone, climate and new medical staff from all over the United States. This EMEDS is staffed by Air National Guardsman; with the exception of one active duty Air Force Speciality Code (AFSC) not utilized in the ANG. We are a Level II facility, providing all of the medical care on Sather Air Base and 24-hour coverage for urgent, emergent care along with aerospace medicine, public health, and bio-environmental needs for the base. We treat, stabilize and then transfer patients to a higher level of care for any surgical or acute care admission requirements as needed.

The days of deploying with your home unit are a thing of the past for the medical career fields. There are 16 states represented in this EMEDS. The continuous training we received at home station prepared all of us for our deployment. As a commander, I spent my first few days here 'learning the system,' meeting key senior leadership of the 447th Air Expeditionary Group and meeting my medical staff; quickly assessing where we are and where we need to go during this Air and Space Expeditionary Force (AEF) rotation.

Keeping current with the United States' Iraq draw down plan, the Air Force EMEDS here will have a 'smaller footprint' later this year. As our servicemembers have pulled out of the cities and re-located back to the forward operating bases (FOBs), the medical mission here will shift with a U.S. Army Contingency Hospital (CSH) Level III facility moving here to Sather. The Air Force will maintain all primary care duties along with aerospace medicine functions. The responsibility for the 24/7 medical emergency mission will transition to the CSH bringing with them the surgical operation package to handle any trauma in the Baghdad area.

One responsibility we have at EMEDS is ensuring all servicemembers coming into the Area of Responsibility (AOR) are 'medically fit.' Personal responsibility plays a large part of this. Each and every Airman must understand how important it is to meet the requirements to deploy. Your unit deployment manager (UDM) is vital and pivotal to your deployment. The checklist provided by the gaining Major Command (MAJCOM) is pretty clear on the pre-deployment requirements. Each person

deploying gets the most recent deployment guide a few months ahead of departure from home station. It is your personal responsibility to READ every page and understand it totally. Call your UDM if you do not understand any of the requirements listed. All medical immunizations for deployment should be given at home station (unless medically exempt).

Staying physically fit is another aspect of deployment that helps you acclimate quicker. Drinking 4-8 liters of water daily is pretty much the norm here with the temperatures in the 100-120 degree ranges daily in July. Exercising and maintaining a good workout routine makes the adaptation here easier. Everyone walks to wherever they need to go! I brief Group leadership weekly on medical care rendered and if any trends are noted i.e. increase in dehydration/heat stress and methods to avoid these injuries as they result in lost work time.

Staying focused on the mission is also a must. Be alert, always know your surroundings and take care of each other. It is easy to settle into a routine of day to day work and it is important to maintain a good attitude and positive outlook. Many who have deployed are familiar with the 'donut of misery' with a countdown mechanism in it monitoring your deployment time. I have heard this phrase a few times from senior leadership and it rings true daily - do NOT count the days - make every day count!



COMMANDER'S CALL

By Tech. Sgt. Andrew Reitano



Wing members kicked-off the June Unit Training Assembly (UTA) with a commander's call June 6 in Bldg. 158.

Col. Anthony Schiavi, 102nd Intelligence Wing commander, brought up several topics relevant to members of the Wing.

The first subject discussed dealt with quality of life issues such as improvements in the dormitories and the potential installation of a running track near Bldg. 197. Schiavi also stressed the importance of using the Airmen's Council and the annual climate assessment survey as venues for getting ideas and suggestions to leadership.

Maj. Gen. Michael Akey, Massachusetts Air National Guard commander, was also in attendance during the event as part of an on-going leadership visibility effort.

The general began his address to the Airmen by reading the letter Gen. Dwight Eisenhower wrote to the Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen of the Allied Expeditionary Force who were participating



in Operation Overlord (D-Day). Akey also praised the Wing for its ongoing transition from a fighter wing to an intelligence wing. The remainder of Akey's comments were focused on the plan to continually modernize the infrastructure and facilities at Otis as the intelligence and air operations missions continue to gain momentum and grow.

In another topic of discussion, both Schiavi and Akey highlighted and praised the recruiting and retention efforts of the Wing, especially the recruiting office. Eleven accessions took place during the June UTA – raising the annual total to 137 accessions. The Wing is also exceeding its 95 percent retention goal by two points.

Brig. Gen. Scott Rice, Massachusetts Air National Guard assistant adjutant general, did not address the Airmen during the commander's call, but did join Akey and Schiavi for lunch with a group of Airmen from various units throughout the Wing. During the lunch, the Airmen were able to discuss various topics with the senior leaders.

NEW OTIS FAMILY READINESS GROUP

By Erin Creighton

102nd Family Readiness Program Coordinator

This spring, Col. Anthony Schiavi, 102nd Intelligence Wing commander, selected Deborah Kochka as leader for the new Otis Family Readiness Group.

Aligned with the Family Program Office, the Family Readiness Group (FRG) is on the fast track to becoming a highly beneficial organization to the unit, it's members and their families.

Through outreach, events and programs this team will work to boost the resiliency of all members of the Otis community. As a command resource, Col. Schiavi hopes this team will quickly become a viable, trusted asset for all families.

An avid volunteer, Kochka, wife of Master Sgt. Donald Kochka 102nd Operations Support Squadron, supports numerous organizations associated with her daughters, her profession and her civic interests. Now, after 20 years as a military spouse, she can add FRG Chair to her already remarkable resume of unpaid devotion.

Of primary importance she says, "Making sure we communicate that our people are military; that they own it and believe it."

Ownership of being a 'Military Family' may help families notice the opportunities for support and enrichment.

"If your member is full-time or traditional, despite their pay status," explains Kochka, "they are military, and you therefore have unique challenges and rewards."

Kimberly Healy, wife of Airman 1st Class John Healy, 102nd Security Forces Squadron, also quickly stepped up to participate in the FRG. A definite people person, she is enthusiastic about being part of the strengthening the community and increasing families knowledge of the Guard and all it has to offer. As a relatively new military family, Healy was inspired to contribute, remembering her own challenges as she learned to navigate the military system.

"Knowing where to go would have been a big help," Healy recalls after a discussion regarding developing a program to welcome new families.

Kochka and Healy will receive training and will be traveling with the Family Program this summer. They will be provided education on organizational guidelines as well as resources, ideas and initiatives to connect, inform and support families. They will also have the opportunity to network with other FRGs.

The experiences and passion contained in our first two volunteers has set a strong course for success. When asked how she would chart their path, Kochka answered, "I would like to try to identify and cater to the needs and wants of our people," she smiles, "and have fun!"

If you would like to join in, or have ideas for the Otis Family Readiness Group, please contact Erin Creighton at the Family Program Office, (508) 968-4855.



102ND SECURITY FORCES HOMECOMING

Story by 1st Lt. Evan Lagassé

U.S. Air Force photos by Master Sgt. Aaron Smith



A group of Otis Airmen was welcomed home from a deployment to the Middle East with rousing cheers, hives, chest bumps, hugs and kisses from family, friends and Team Otis members this spring.

Fourteen 102nd Security Forces Squadron Airmen landed safely May 21 at T.F. Green Airport in Warwick, R.I., after successfully completing a six-month tour of duty in Saudi Arabia.

While deployed, the Massachusetts Air National Guardsmen were tasked with providing base defense and force protection for military and civilian personnel living and working in their area of responsibility.

Moments before his Airmen came into view, Lt. Col. Christopher Hamilton, 102nd Security Forces Squadron commander, praised their efforts.

"As a commander, it's tough to send away troops...but when the mobilization order came in I asked for volunteers and I got all volunteers to go. They all stepped up and while they were over there they did a phenomenal job. We were getting reports back weekly about (an Airman) that was "getting coined" or receiving an award. The accolades were flowing for the entire deployment," said Colonel Hamilton.

One Airman receiving an accolade was Airman 1st Class Marc McAndrew who was interviewed and selected while deployed to become the newest 102nd Security Forces Squadron operations officer.

Airman McAndrew's mother, Judy McAndrew, put things into perspective while joyfully waiting on pins and needles for her son's return.

"(Marc) may be 6 feet 3 inches tall but he's still my little boy," said McAndrew.

While every Airman who deployed played a critical role in achieving mission success, the tireless efforts of Master Sgt. Robert Miller, who served as team leader for the Otis Airmen, were not lost in the excitement of the homecoming.

"Sergeant Miller did an excellent job keeping the team together and united during the time they were away. I couldn't be more proud of how he performed," said Colonel Hamilton.

This deployment was the second notch in Sergeant Miller's "mobility belt" and his wife of 20 years has learned the best ways to keep in touch with a deployed loved one.

"E-mail was the best way to stay in touch. And there's also Skype. We could actually talk and videoconference for free using Skype which was awesome. You just go to <http://www.skype.com>, download the program, accept each other on your "friends list" and you can talk. It's like calling on the phone...and its free," said Teresa Miller.

With the mission complete and the initial wave of emotional greetings simmering down, Staff Sgt. Edward Rene shared a sentiment that was common among his 13 returning comrades.

"I'm looking forward to my two weeks of leave and getting life back to normal," said Sergeant Rene.



DEPLOYED TO TTB KELLEY

Story & photos by Master Sgt. Aaron Smith

The scene could be from most any deployed base. A Humvee drives up to a heavily guarded entry point. It weaves between concrete barriers and sandbags while being watched from a guard tower by an Airman standing behind a heavy machine gun.

Inside the walls, tents are neatly laid out; a work section on one side and a living section on the other. A line of three humvees sits in the wide gravel lot, while security forces Airmen talk and eat Meals Ready to Eat (MRE's). An M-249 belt-fed machine gun mounted atop their vehicles, ready for the next convoy. The only signs that this base is on the Massachusetts Military Reservation are the lush green trees visible over the outer walls.

Airmen from the 102nd Security Forces Squadron (SFS) based at Otis Air National Guard Base, along with Airmen from the 104th SFS, 104th Services Squadron, 267th Combat Communications Squadron (CBCS), 202nd Weather Flight (WF), and elements of 3rd Battalion 126th Aviation Regiment and Army Aviation Support Facility #1 came to Tactical Training Base Kelley on June 9 for three days and two nights of realistic joint force training.

The base is named for Sgt. Michael J. Kelley, a Massachusetts Army National Guardsman killed in Afghanistan in 2005. It allows units to fully experience a deployed environment and expose their Airmen and Soldiers to countless situations that they may face on a real world deployment.

actual weapons. Lastly, Army Aviation Support Facility #1 and Charlie Co. 3rd Battalion, 126th Aviation Regiment are providing air support with UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters. Technical Sgt. Chris Fiore, an Airman assigned to the 267th CBCS, commented on how participating in the exercise benefitted his unit.

"We've got a lot of new Airmen and this is great training. Some of us who have deployed a number of times can pass on our knowledge in an environment that's like what you see overseas. The stress level goes up, there's a real sense of urgency, and it's real easy to get into the role here."

The three humvees roll down the dirt road, spaced 20 yards apart on a "route reconnaissance" convoy mission. The Airmen's eyes are constantly scanning the brush alongside the road for anything unusual. The lead vehicle turns left, onto a heavily wooded road, suddenly there are two vehicles blocking the way ahead. All three humvees quickly move into position beside



Inside the command post tent, among the communications gear and maps, Lt. Col. Christopher Hamilton, 102nd Security Forces Squadron commander, talks with Technical Sgt. Casey Walsh, a convoy troop commander. Colonel Hamilton goes over the mission briefing for Sergeant Walsh's next convoy. Minutes later, Sergeant Walsh is outside in the gravel lot, huddled over a map on the hood of a humvee, relaying the plan for today's mission to his Airmen.

What was originally planned as an annual security forces training exercise has grown into a multi-unit, multi-service exercise. The 202nd Weather Flight is on hand to keep leaders up to date with the constantly changing weather conditions. The 267th Combat Communications Squadron has setup a complete communications package, supporting all the units on the base.

Volunteers from the 102nd Intelligence Wing are taking part as role players; at times playing villagers trying to sell fruit at the front gate, other times playing heavily armed terrorists with

each other. Suddenly there is the "crack, crack, crack" sound of gunshots from the woods to the right. The turret gunners shout, "Contact right!" then swing their turrets around and open fire. Blank bullet casings tumble onto the roofs of the humvees, as Airmen flow out of the doors to take a defensive position.

Each situation during this training exercise tests the experience and ingenuity of the Airmen, there is no one right answer for every situation. Master Sgt. Marc Vercellone, 102nd SFS training NCO and organizer of the exercise said he expected that squad leaders in particular, would benefit from the training.

"A squad leader has to be able to provide guidance and advice to people in his squad regardless of whether it's technical or tactical. In a day-to-day environment, we're not always making quick decisions and trying to analyze what the immediate outcome and consequences of our decisions are going to be. It isn't as imperative. But when you're in a situation like this, you have to think quickly. It's better to learn how to do it in a training environment than have to learn how to do it when the bullets are flying for real," said Sergeant Vercellone.

Over the course of the exercise the situations vary widely. The missions include convoy operations, quick reaction force (QRF), patrol operations dealing with the local populace to include angry protestors throwing vegetables and personnel recovery, among other things.

The last shots are fired as Airmen start shouting to one

another, figuring out exactly what the situation is. One Airman has been shot, sustaining a sucking chest wound; another is missing and assumed to be a prisoner of war (POW). Two Airmen grasp at the feet and vest straps of the wounded Airman as they lug him out of the woods. The humvees quickly split up and take positions around the nearby road intersection, securing a landing zone (LZ) as they call over the radio for support. Moments later there is a sudden unmistakable noise, the low thumping sound of a helicopter rotor. Dropping right into the intersection with a wave of wind and debris, a Blackhawk from the Army Aviation

the problem areas. These QRFs are used to reinforce units in enemy contact and needing additional forces to gain superiority. Charlie Company 3rd battalion 126th Aviation Regiment provided aerial medical evacuation for the Airmen, using specially outfitted UH-60 Helicopters. Earlier in the exercise Airmen also received training on medevac procedures and practices from Staff Sgt. Joe Stephens, Army medic.



The Airmen in the convoy watched the forest for movement as the medevac helicopter landed and a litter team quickly loaded the injured Airman onboard and lifted away. The quick reaction team was next, leaving exactly the same way they came in. Soon the convoy is left alone again. After a quick review of the plan, they regroup and are continuing their mission en-route back to the base, hoping for no further incidents.

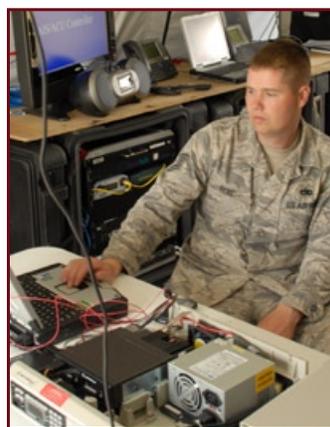
One phrase that is not often heard during this exercise is "simulated."

Sergeant Vercellone noted, "I wanted to provide the most realistic environment for the (Guardsmen) to (train) in. I'm a big fan of immersion training. It's one thing to practice loading a helicopter while it's sitting on the ramp, but when there's rotor-wash and blades spinning, people moving around the landing zone, and you have to get the bird in and out quick, you can't really create that sense of urgency and the distraction that goes with it unless you're actually doing it that way."

Sergeant Vercellone and the other units involved commented that they hoped to grow this training and expand it in the future, to take advantage of the great facilities that Camp Edwards has to offer. With the 102nd Security Forces Squadron deploying more than 40 Airmen in the coming year, it's training that will not go unused.

Support Facility arrives. A quick reaction team streams out of it, single-file, and as soon as the last Airman is clear the helicopter pitches forward and is gone.

Adding the final layer of realism to the training exercise are the Army Aviation Support Facility #1 and the 3rd Battalion, 126th Aviation Regiment. Both units are part of the Massachusetts Army National Guard. Using UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters, the Army Aviation Support Facility provided support by transporting Security Forces quick reaction forces (QRF) into



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FEDERAL WOMEN'S PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS

By Master Sgt. Aaron Smith



The Federal Women's Program 2009 Awards Luncheon and Ceremony was held June 25, with Otis Airmen winning three out of four possible awards. The program's mission is to promote the success of women through the enhancement of personal and professional development and growth by providing a network of information and opportunities.

There were four categories in which selectees were nominated. The first three categories recognized women in the three distinct parts of the Massachusetts National Guard; Army, Air, and Civilian Employee. The fourth category was for "Mentor of the Year."

In the "Woman of The Year" categories, the women chosen provided outstanding leadership in the development and implementation of programs or activities that improved opportunities for women employees and Guardmembers.

In the "Mentor of the Year" category, the selectee actively engaged as a mentor to a woman serving in the Massachusetts National Guard, resulting in her achieving excellence in her career field; or developed and implemented a mentor program to enhance the capabilities of women in the military and Federal service.

Winners:

Massachusetts National Guard Mentor of the Year: **Col. Anthony Schiavi**
 Massachusetts National Guard Civilian Woman of the Year: **Erin Creighton**
 Massachusetts Air National Guard Woman of the Year: **Master Sgt. Jennifer Lovering**

98th VIRTUAL UNIFORM BOARD RESULTS

By Master Sgt. Aaron Smith

Results from the 98th Virtual Uniform Board were released in June. Most of the changes implemented are focused on fixing, improving, and upgrading uniforms in the current inventory. Here are some of the changes that will apply to most Airmen.



Effective Jan. 1, 2010, enlisted metal rank insignia is not authorized for the light weight blue jacket. Only sewn on chevron rank insignia is authorized



Effective immediately hands free cell phone devices, such as Bluetooth headsets and wired earphones are not allowed when walking in uniform.



Effective immediately ABU and BDU trousers must be tucked into the boot and present a bloused appearance. Boot laces must also be tucked into the boot. Excess lacing may be wrapped around the boot before being tucked in.



The foliage green fleece has been approved for wear as an outer garment. The fleece must have the appropriate name, rank, and service designator for outerwear use.



Airmen in uniform can now use personal cell phones while walking. Military customs and courtesies take precedence over any phone calls.



Here at the 102nd IW, with the possibility of funding to support the purchase of the Airman Battle Uniform, 102nd Supply is now taking new uniform orders for enlisted Airmen. During the August and September Unit Training Assembly weekends, room 221 in building 158 will be open from 8 - 11 a.m. and 12:30 - 3 p.m. for uniform fittings and orders. The goal is to outfit each enlisted Airman with two sets of the ABU. Airmen already issued the uniform for school, deployment, or other reasons will not receive any more sets at this time.

101st INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON AIRMEN SERVE IN ALABAMA

By Tech. Sgt. Alicen Hogan
102nd Intelligence Group Unit Public Affairs Representative

April 2008, the 102nd Fighter Wing transformed into the 102nd Intelligence Wing. This new mission required new buildings, new equipment, and new skills. But each venue takes time to build and complete. Taking a "lean forward" approach, the 102nd Intelligence Group pushed its personnel to cross-train and attain crew mission certifications in record time. The retraining occurred so quickly, that it outpaced the arrival of equipment and construction of the facilities in which Team Otis was to work. Taking a lesson from long ago: "If the mountain will not come to Mohammed, Mohammed will go to the mountain," the 101st Intelligence Squadron sought a partnership with another facility to get its people mission ready. The solution was found with the 117th Intelligence Squadron, Distributed Ground Station-Alabama (DGS-AL).

"The surge in MQ-1 Predator sorties for the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq has placed a huge demand on (Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) exploitation. Combatant commanders simply couldn't wait any longer for us to get into the fight," said Lt. Col. David McNulty, 101st IS commander.

"Alabama has always been an Intel unit, so learning from their experience gives our crews a great launching point. Instead of starting out at ground zero, we have the benefit of learning their tried and true tactics, techniques, and procedures," said Colonel McNulty.

Senior Airman Kevin Teves started his Massachusetts Air National Guard career as a security forces specialist. The new mission has found him in Alabama for over a year. The second imagery analyst from Otis to graduate from technical school, Airman Teves has seen the groundswell move from just a handful of Otis people to well over 100 qualified, mission-ready folks to run a mission.

"It's kind of funny because I've met more Otis people (in Alabama) than when I was back (at Otis.) You get to work closely with others," said Airman Teves.

Master Sgt. Charles Mignault is another of the first wave of Team Otis members ready to take part in live missions. Since the transition he has not only successfully completed reclassification, but also become mission qualified in under a year. Picked for his strong mission skills and teaching ability at the 117th, Sergeant Mignault has become one of the first Team Otis members to become 'Instructor Rated Operator' certified.

"Initially, we had a handful of people go out and get certified. Then a few more went out. Then a whole group. Pretty much we are on the downside of spinning up folks. We are ready to go," said Sergeant Mignault.

The partnership seems to be working. Senior Master Sgt. Bill Majors works as the enlisted advisor for the operations of the 117th. As such, his role is to make sure that Team Otis is performing adequately, so when the time comes to run a mission

on their own, they are ready.

"We could not have performed our missions without the help and manpower of Massachusetts. The workload was too great. So, in a sense, Massachusetts was critical for us to maintain the workload we were expected to perform," said Sergeant Majors. "We have learned from each other. While we have trained Massachusetts guys, they have also been able to contribute to our operations due to some individuals' unique skill sets. This has and will continue to benefit the entire enterprise as well as the warfighter."

Airman Teves agrees, "I think we've learned a lot from their experience. I mean, they've been doing the job for over 40 years and all the personnel issues and best ways to do things, we can learn from them. That will make things a lot easier on us."

Major Michael Raszka, the Otis detachment commander at Alabama, feels the same. "What I can tell you is that the 117th has been an extremely accommodating partner and mentor in our efforts to train our people for our new mission," said Major Raszka.

The level of training and need to complete their own mission has pushed DGS-AL to its limits. According to Sergeant Majors, a recent Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency inspection team pointed out that well over half of the crew position evaluations ('checkrides') for the entire DCGS enterprise in 2009 have been conducted at DGS-AL.

"That is substantial considering that we are only a squadron," said Sergeant Majors. Long hours and denied leave requests are unfortunate, but very real, costs of doing business. "It's kind of tough being away from family and friends for so long," admits Airman Teves.

However, with the influx of successfully trained Otis personnel, DGS-AL members are finally able to turn over the reins and get some relief. "Again, we were only able to do this through Massachusetts leaving a core group of people at DGS-AL to alleviate some of the burden," surmises Sergeant Majors. And while the distance from home has been difficult, there is some reward in the knowledge that doing the job helps others. Airman Teves firmly said, "I really feel a sense of accomplishment. That's definitely worth it."

As Team Otis facilities near completion, there will soon be a home for our members to return to and workstations to man. Team Otis welcomes that day but isn't so ready to leave behind the friendships made with DGS-AL.

"We'll miss the barbecue, Auburn University vs. University of Alabama football debates, and their southern hospitality. We look forward to hosting them for visits to the Cape down the road to introduce them to lobster, Red Sox, and snow," said Colonel McNulty.

WIND TURBINE PROPOSAL FOR MASSACHUSETTS MILITARY RESERVATION



The Massachusetts National Guard filed a site plan on June 11 with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Air Force Space Command. The plan called for a review of 17 possible sites to locate wind turbines at the Massachusetts Military Reservation (MMR) on Cape Cod, an ambitious project that could possibly provide power to the entire facility. The wind turbine initiative reflects the commitment of both the state and the U.S. military to increase the use of clean energy and achieve a greater level of energy

independence. The concept of MMR wind is a collaborative effort between the Guard, the Patrick Administration, Senate President Therese Murray (D-Plymouth) and Congressman William Delahunt (D-Massachusetts) and has wide support among other elected officials.

"This filing represents an important initiative that will make MMR a national model for clean energy development on military facilities at the same time that it contributes to our state wind power goals," said Governor Deval Patrick. "I commend the base leadership for their foresightedness and their commitment to a clean energy future for the U.S. military and the Commonwealth."

NEW JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS SIGN >>



Members of the 102nd Civil Engineer Squadron recently traveled to Joint Force Headquarters in Milford, Mass., to install a sign they manufactured and to have it commissioned by Maj. Gen. Joseph Carter. The sign is displayed at the entrance of the headquarters building, it's color representing the joint nature of the facility.

(Pictured above: L to R) Col. Anthony Schiavi, Col. Gary Keefe, Chief Master Sgt. Frederick Manamon, Master Sgt. Roger Chouinard, Maj. Gen. Joseph Carter, Tech. Sgt. Tom Jones, Chris Lewis, and Lt. Col. Steve Demianczyk

OPERATION GLOBAL THUNDER >>



(U.S. Air Force photo/Maj. Chul Lee)

The 102nd Air Operations Group participated in Operation Global Thunder June 23-30 with the 608th AOG, 8th Air Force, Barksdale AFB, La. The unit conducted Time Sensitive Planning, Air Tasking Order production and execution and Air Control Operations.

(L to R) Col. Timothy Estep, Tech. Sgt. Avalito Garcia, Lt. Col. Frank Aflague, Staff Sgt. Alyssa Calorio-Tasha, Senior Master Sgt. Sharon Rich, Staff Sgt. Alexis Colonna, Master Sgt. Joey Johansen, Lt. Col. Martin Richard, Master Sgt. Rob Segrin

SCHOOL HONORS >>

Tech. Sgt.

John Hoffman

101st Intel Squadron

Distinguished graduate in network intelligence analysis course 1N431

Staff Sgt. Nathan Gooding

A1C John O'Brien

A1C Adrienne Harvey

A1C Arck Perra

101st Intel Squadron

Above 90 percent average in imagery analysis course 1N131

Senior Master Sgt.

Mike Perra

101st Intel Squadron

AETC top graduate and class leader in imagery analysis course 1N131

Airman 1st Class

Benjamin Stanley

102nd CES

Above 90 percent average in Heating, venting, air conditioning, and refrigeration course 3E131

Airman 1st Class

Derek Lafontaine

101st Intel Squadron

AETC top graduate in imagery analysis course 1N131

Tech. Sgt.

David Whittaker

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Distinguished graduate in communications - computer systems operations course 3C031

PROMOTIONS >>



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ANNOUNCEMENTS >>

OFFICER BOARD

The 102nd Air Operations Group will hold a board to select personnel to compete for commissions as officers in the Air Operations Center mission. Interested candidates can submit packages to Lt. Col. Martin Richard, 102nd AOG, 165 Izzea St. Box 25, Otis ANGB, MA 02542. Deadline for submission is Aug. 17, 2009. Packages must contain the following: Resume, RIP, PT Scores, AFOQT Scores, Copy of college transcript.

BONFIRE

When: Aug. 22, 5:30 p.m.

Where: Eagle's Nest

Food: Chicken Legs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad and a Roll

Live Music: Gotta Have More Cowbell
Tickets: \$5

Contact: Master Sgt. Long

(508) 968-4133

Master Sgt. Santos

(508) 968-7232

Staff Sgt. Escobar

(508) 968-4186

GOLF TOURNAMENT

When: Aug. 24, 7 a.m.

Where: Paul Harney Golf Club
East Falmouth, Mass.

Fee: General Public: \$115

AFA Members, Otis Officers,

Gov. Civilians: \$90

Otis Enlisted: \$60

Contact: Linda Jean

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CHIEF'S COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now being accepted. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded. One will be awarded to a member of the 102 IW, 253 CCG, or the 267 CBCS, and one will be awarded to a child of a member of the 102 IW, 253 CCG, and the 267 CBCS. Applications must be received on or before Aug. 31. Applications available on the Team Otis Intranet.

ATTENTION MOTORCYCLE RIDERS

It's required to attend and complete an approved motorcycle rider education course to ride on a DoD Installation. There is a list at the I-Gate of all 102nd IW, 253rd CCG & 267th CBCS members that have complied with the DoD requirement. If you are not on the list but are MSF qualified, provide a copy of your MSF card to Wing Safety and the list will be updated.

CHAPEL CALL

By Chaplain (Capt.) Mary Scheer
102nd Intelligence Wing Chaplain

"DON'T EAT THE MARSHMALLOWS"

It was a hot, humid day in the middle of Kansas City. The eight hour shift seemed especially long for the veteran bus driver. Suddenly, a young woman, apparently upset about something, let loose with a string of unforgettable, not to mention unrepeatable, words. The bus driver, looking in his overhead mirror, could sense everyone around the young woman was embarrassed by the string of profanity. Still mumbling, the angry passenger began to get off a few blocks later. As she stepped down, the bus driver calmly said, "Madam, I believe you're leaving something behind." She quickly turned and snapped, "Oh? And what is that?" "A very bad impression," the bus driver responded." (Zig Ziglar, Something Else to Smile About)

In the late 1960s an experiment took place at Stanford University in which four-year-old children were invited into a room with a chair and a desk. Once seated, the kids were invited to pick a treat from a tray that included marshmallows, cookies, and pretzel sticks. A researcher asked a girl named Carolyn to pick a treat and she chose the marshmallow. The researcher then made Carolyn an offer: she could eat one marshmallow right away or, if she was willing to wait while he stepped out for a few minutes, she could have two marshmallows when he returned. If she rang a bell on the desk while he was away he would come running back, and she could eat one marshmallow immediately but would forfeit the second. Most of the kids in the study struggled to resist the treat and held out for an average of less than three minutes. Walter Mischel, the Stanford professor of psychology in charge of the experiment recalls, "A few kids ate the marshmallow right away, they didn't even bother ringing the bell. Other kids would stare directly at the marshmallow and then ring the bell 30 seconds later." About 30 percent of the children were like Carolyn, they successfully delayed gratification, waiting until the researchers returned, some 15 minutes later. The kids wrestled with waiting

and temptation but found a way to resist. Following up years later Professor Mischel found that the children who rang the bell quickly and ate the marshmallow right away were more likely to have behavioral problems in school and home, they made lower S.A.T. scores, they struggled in stressful situations, found it difficult to maintain friendships, and often had trouble paying attention. The children who could wait 15 minutes to snag an extra marshmallow had an S.A.T. score that was, on average, 210 points higher than that of a kid who could wait only 30 seconds. Basically, children who are able to pass the marshmallow test enjoy greater success as adults. Dr. Mischel argues that intelligence is largely at the mercy of self-control. (Jonah Lehrer, The Secret of Self-Control)

Self control, the ability to wait, is a key indicator of whether or not we will be successful. We can't control everything in life, but if there is one thing we can control and need to control, it is the self. Dr. Roy Baumeister of Case Western Reserve University said, "If you look at the social and personal problems facing people in the United States – drug and alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy, unsafe sex, school failure, shopping problems, gambling – over and over, the majority of them have self-control failure as central to them. Studies show that self-control does predict success in life over a very long time. Dr. Baumeister concluded, "if we're concerned about raising children to be successful and healthy and happy, forget about self-esteem. Concentrate on self-control." (Pat Williams with James D. Denney, A Lifetime of Success)

Self-control is mastering our passions and emotions so they don't get the best of us and bring out the worst in us. "Like a city breached without walls, is one who lacks self-control." Proverbs 25:26.

Buddha once said, "If one person conquers in battle a thousand times a thousand, and another conquers himself, he who conquers himself is the greatest of all conquerors."

UNIT SPOTLIGHT

102nd Intelligence Wing Safety Office



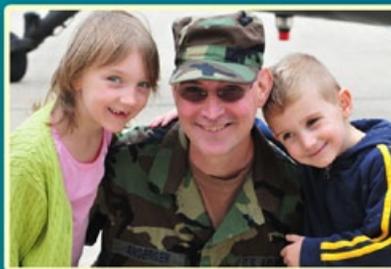
The Wing Safety Office has the primary responsibility of increasing readiness through a progressive mishap prevention program, emphasizing leadership, education and mishap reporting. The office analyzes mishap causes and trends, and assesses risk. They also evaluate, inspect, and survey areas and activities to eliminate mishap potentials. By reducing hazards and protecting resources, the Safety Office ensures risk is effectively managed at the appropriate level for all personnel. Their goal is to promote an "aggressively safe" attitude for all Wing members. The Safety Office also interfaces with agencies such as the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Massachusetts State Police, Barnstable County Sheriff's Office, Occupational Safety Health Administration (OSHA), and local safety councils.



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