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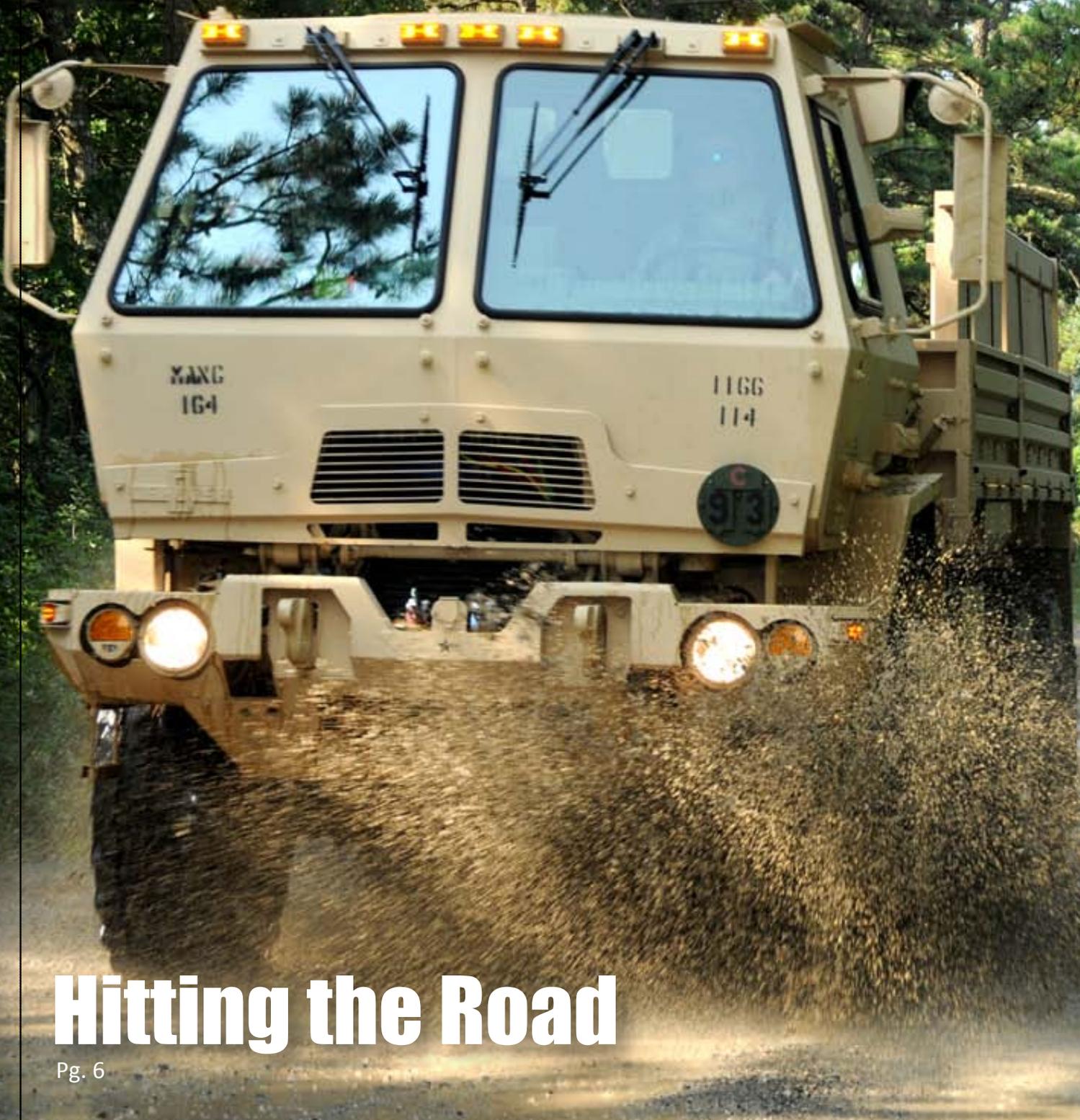
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ON THE COVER



The cover photo shows airmen from the 102nd Intelligence Wing driving through large puddles during reconnaissance for their night-time drive on Aug. 7 as part of their light/medium tactical vehicle training. The Airmen drove with a Soldier in the truck with them to provide answers to any questions during the drive. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Lindsey Sarah Watson-Kirwin /Released)

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Message From the Commander

Managing Workplace Rumors

Who hasn't been the victim of a baseless rumor? If you haven't, then it is likely just a matter of time before you are. It is unfortunately human nature to adore a "juicy story", regardless of the truth or the reality. And part of the enjoyment of the story, sadly, is to spread it. The problem with this inherent human tendency to create and spread rumors is the damage it can do to not only the rumor recipient, but the culture and morale of the organization as a whole. Any attempt to eliminate rumors, although valiant, would ultimately be futile. But what I implore you here is to attempt to manage them. All airmen have a sworn duty to uphold "Integrity First". What that means is we don't lie, cheat, or steal nor tolerate any of the kind. It means we won't succumb to innuendo and inaccurate perceptions. It means we won't accept a "juicy rumor" at face value, and we won't quit until we uncover the whole truth. The attempt to manage rumors by separating the false from the truth...now that is a worthy effort.

Rumors often start because people like to be "in-the-know", or at least think they are. People with a good story to tell about another person will always

get attention. It can also give the person a feeling of empowerment, since they have the "knowledge" that others don't. This is what I mean about it being human nature...you can't end rumors, gossip, stories, and the like. And that's ok. What I am talking about is putting a stop to the bad ones. Everyone can tell the difference between an innocuous, harmless, and even humorous story, and that of a vicious, slanderous, defaming one. If the bad ones are left to their own accord, they will undoubtedly spread and likely morph to that of full-blown false allegations and character defamation. It is every airman's duty to combat this.

The next time I hear the statement, "...well, perception IS reality..." I wish I could summon Chuck Norris out of thin air to deliver an appropriate assembly of roundhouse kicks. Perception is just that...someone's interpretation, which is highly susceptible to error and bias. Reality is the truth-- nothing else. To say that an interpretation equates to the truth is so flawed that it borders on negligence. Just because someone perceives something, in no way, makes that the truth. I don't see how people can ever make this claim with a straight face. There is a big difference. It is the ultimate cop-out to utter the often heard phrase, "well I don't know what the truth is, but that is the perception..." Don't settle for this. Don't settle for inaccurate, biased, sloppy, gossipy perception. That's the lazy route. Find the truth...it's your job and your creed as an Airman.

So what can we do to quell the vicious rumors and the inherent spin-off of inaccurate perceptions? That's the million dollar question. Probably the bottom line is discipline; both the discipline of the chain of command to provide good communication and information flow, and individual discipline to separate rumor from truth. Every one of us needs to check and audit our own rumor management. Recognize when a story or rumor changes from mild banter to serious, possibly criminal, allegations. Make sure you yourself are not spreading harmful and unproven stories. If a rumor is false, crush it on the spot and tell people why it is false. If the veracity is unknown, then you have the choice of either not spreading it, or using your analytical skills to find out for yourself. Just like everything we do, it is easier to say *no* than *yes*. It is easier to say, "That's how we've always done it", versus looking it up in the regulation to find out how it is supposed to be done. When you hear, "I heard that so-and-so did such-and-such to so-and-so", it is easier to say, "Oh really, that is a total foul, I can't believe that, that really ticks me off!!!", versus, "Oh really? Prove it."

Don't take the easy route. That's what we are hoping our adversaries do.

Col. James M. LeFavor
Commander, 102nd Intelligence Wing

Keeping The Mission Connected

By Senior Airman Sandra Welch, U.S. Air Forces Central Command Public Affairs



Staff Sgt. Lawrence Santos pulls cables May 15, 2014, at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. The cable is being used at the air traffic control tower and command post to provide connections for several necessary communication supports needed throughout the base. Santos is a Combined Air and Space Operations Center Engineering and Installations cable and antenna technician. (U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Sandra Welch)



Staff Sgt. Lawrence Santos installs a cable shoe May 15, 2014, at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. The cable shoe will help prevent damage to the cable from rough or sharp surfaces. Santos, a East Taunton, Mass. native is a Combined Air and Space Operations Center Engineering and Installations cable and antenna technician, deployed from the 212th Engineering and Installation Squadron, Otis Air National Guard Base, Mass. (U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Sandra Welch)

U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sharida Jackson

Every time Airmen use the internet to contact loved ones back home, or operators transmit data to one another, signals will run through miles of cable to keep service members around the world connected.

The Massachusetts Air National Guard Engineering and Installation team here, forward deployed from Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, is keeping those connections possible by installing communications and cyber equipment throughout the 4.3 million square mile area of operations.

"They insure that information gets disseminated to the warfighters out in the field, whether that is joint fighters who are working toward of Taliban strong holds ... or the remote pilot of an aircraft," said Col. Anthony Thomas, the Air Force Central Command A6 (communications) director.

Each team consists of only four to six members and travels throughout the AOR, led by a team chief, to provide a variety of communication lines.

"Here at Bagram Airfield, our job is to provide critical communication infrastructure to ensure that others are able to effectively execute their jobs," said Tech. Sgt. Christopher Meservey, the Combined Air and Space Operations Center Engineering and Installations cable and antenna team chief. "Our work ranges from wiring the air traffic control tower to installing cables so people can call home."

The EI team recently installed cables to one of the airfield's air traffic control towers and the command post. The newly-installed cable provided connection for several essential communication channels needed throughout the base.

"The project itself was started earlier in the week," Meservey added. "Pulling the cable only took about a week but this was one of the smaller jobs. A typical job here in the AOR would last for six to eight weeks and have a very wide range of tasks -- from pulling cable to splicing 144 fibers or 1800 pair of copper cable.."

The mission provides meaning and accomplishment, Meservey said, but also offers satisfaction in serving fellow Airmen.

"Honestly, my favorite part of my job is providing people with the opportunity to call home and give them a chance to escape where they currently are and be with their family and friends," Meservey said.

"When I was deployed ... we had a morale tent in the compound. You could go there and watch TV or use the computer. One night I went up there to use the computer and the tent was closed. I was a little upset, but then I read the notice on the door: It said it was closed because a young staff sergeant was in the room skypping with his wife and she was giving birth to their first child ... being able to help him be there for his wife and child, that makes me love my job."

Hitting the Road

By Tech. Sgt. Lindsey Sarah Watson-Kirwin, Mass. National Guard, Joint Force Headquarters

U.S. Air National Guard photos by Tech. Sgt. Lindsey Sarah Watson-Kirwin



Airmen from the 102nd Intelligence Wing pose with members of the 1166th Transportation Company in front of light/medium tactical vehicles (LMTV) on Aug. 12, 2014 at Joint Base Cape Cod. The Mass. Air Guard airmen were the second class in two weeks to receive training from Mass. Army Guard soldiers on the maintenance and operation of the LMTVs. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Master. Sgt. Aaron Smith /Released)



Army Sgt. Louis Jewell oversees Air Force Staff Sgt. Brian Silva performing morning maintenance checks on a light/medium tactical vehicle.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Brian Silva, 267th Combat Communications Squadron, and Army Sgt. Josh Sousa, 1166th Transportation Company, perform maintenance checks on a light/medium tactical vehicle prior to their driving training on Aug. 6.

For the first time, the Massachusetts Army Guard is training the Massachusetts Air Guard on the maintenance and operation of the Light/Medium Tactical Vehicle. Air Force Col. Eric Pauer, Director of Logistics and Engineering- Air, Massachusetts National Guard, Joint Force Headquarters, saw a need to train Airmen on the LMTVs and created a solution by establishing a course for Airmen, led by Soldiers.

"The high operations tempo has kept our soldiers busy, and it has been intermittent as to whether we have enough soldiers to operate the light/medium tactical vehicles stateside," said Pauer. "We wanted to train Airmen on the LMTVs to be ready for domestic operations."

The first class took place Aug. 4-8 and was quickly followed by another class from Aug. 11-15. The class curriculum was organized and taught by the Massachusetts Army National Guard 1166th Transportation Company.

The 1166th led a group of seven Airmen from the Massachusetts Air National Guard through the inaugural class, and twelve more Airmen were trained during the second week. The class covered paperwork, preventative maintenance checks, driving on the road, driving off road, practicing driving skills, driving at night, and changing a tire.

"I think it is great that the soldiers took time off from work to help with the course," said Army Sgt. 1st Class John Desrosiers, 1166th Transportation Company. "The Airmen have been doing a great job. I am impressed with their motivation and interest in the material." Air Force 1st Lt. Andrew Bonney was one of two officers from the 102nd Medical Group taking the course.

"The course enhances our ability to support domestic operations and improves our familiarity with the Army's vehicles for the joint environment," said Bonney. He was impressed with the 1166th Soldiers saying, "We are benefitting from the military

and extensive civilian experience of the 1166th Transportation Company."

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Katie Daley from the 102nd Medical Group said the LMTV course would be useful because, "anytime we do a CERFP (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and high yield explosive (CBRNE) Enhanced Response Force Package) mission, it is joint with the Army. There are only eight medics attached to the search and extraction portion and we use Army gear."

The forty-hour course was heavily hands-on. The Airmen spent most of their time performing maintenance on the vehicles, practicing skills, and driving the LMTVs.

"This has probably been one of the most hands-on courses I have ever been to," said Daley. "All the 1166th Soldiers have a lot of knowledge and experience."

The Soldiers and Airmen worked together to make the course work and tailored it to the needs of the students. The teamwork between the two branches was seamless.

"I am enjoying the camaraderie between the two branches," said Army Sgt. Kevin Kennedy, 1166th Training Company. Kennedy was impressed with both his Soldiers teaching and the Airmen learning saying, "the level of professionalism and skills displayed here is making this an easy course to teach."

Army Staff Sgt. Wayne Heckman from the 1166th Training Company said, "It is a good experience for the Soldiers to be able to teach this course." Heckman was impressed with the first group of Airmen taking the course saying, "They bring a high level of professionalism, attentiveness, and participation to the course. I would like to have them all in my platoon."

Chapel Call

By Chaplain Lt. Col. David G. Berube

OFFERING LIFE

The death of Robin Williams sparked a new discussion of suicide within our popular culture. Since suicide awareness is an ongoing conversation in our military culture, I offer these current thoughts as a refresher of our dialogue.

Our suicide awareness often focuses on signs and symptoms, along with what to do if we are with someone we believe is thinking about killing themselves. I, personally, am a big proponent of the ACE intervention model for that critical moment in time – Ask the person if they are planning to kill themselves; Care about them by knowing them before and walking with them through that “suicidal moment”; Escort them to the support and help they need, staying with them while they find their will-to-live. You might say our suicide awareness tends to focus on preventing death which, as someone is making a decision to live or die, is a good thing.

Yet, as I recently reviewed the Air National Guard QuickSeries booklet, Suicide Prevention (copies available from the Chaplain’s Office), I was struck by an incredibly positive reminder in the section titled, “Protective Factors.” This section makes the important point that there are positive life realities that help people avoid suicide. In other words, our suicide awareness needs to also focus on offering life.

I believe the beauty of these factors for suicide prevention is they don’t require us to be suicidal in order for us to benefit from them. They are good for all of us, right now, and can help us stay healthy. In addition, each of us can work on them in our own lives while we support those around us. For example, if I’m currently working on a more positive self-image and you comment that I seem more confident, that simple support will reinforce my work. Or, if you’re trying a new way to cope with stress and I point out that it seems to be working that boosts the effect of your work.

Now I know that even within these areas we each have varying degrees of “positive.” The point is that as much as we work to maximize the positive nature of life for ourselves and others, the more we inoculate ourselves against suicide. Positive lives dramatically lower the risk of suicide and that is worth the time, focus, and effort given to maximizing life’s protective factors.

PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- A positive self-image
- Personal resilience
- A wide range of effective personal coping skills
- Strong friendships with caring & supportive people; Strong relationships with coworkers
- Positive and supportive family relationships
- An optimistic outlook on life
- A feeling of being part of a group or organization
- Active participation in one’s community
- Being married
- Maintaining a physically active lifestyle
- A belief that it is okay to make mistakes in life
- A belief that it is okay to ask for help when it is needed
- A sense of self-efficacy (believing in your ability to meet goals/get things done)
- A sense of personal control
- Positive spiritual beliefs



UTA WORSHIP TIMES AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Roman Catholic Mass: 0900 Sunday at the Coast Guard Chapel

1100 Sunday, Building 158, 3rd Floor (next to Chaplain’s Office)

Interdenominational Christian Worship: 1145 Sunday at the 102nd IW, Building 158, on the 3rd Floor

Contact the Chaplain’s Office for information on other faith groups or other times of worship (968-4508)

Training for Disaster

By Staff Sgt. Tayna Rego, 102nd Medical Group

Emergency Responders from the 102nd Medical Group (MDG) and the 104th MDG, of the Massachusetts (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and high yield explosive) enhanced response force packages (CERFP), recently completed training offered by the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP), in Anniston, Ala. The CDP is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency and is the only federally-chartered Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) training facility in the nation.

The CDP develops and delivers advanced training for emergency response providers, emergency managers, and other government officials from state, local, and tribal governments. The CDP offers more than 40 training courses focusing on incident management, mass casualty response, and emergency response to a catastrophic natural disaster or terrorist act. Training at the CDP campus is federally funded at no cost to state, local, and tribal emergency response professionals or their agency.

Resident training at the CDP includes healthcare and public health courses at the Noble Training Facility, the nation’s only hospital dedicated to training healthcare professionals in disaster preparedness and response.

A number of resident training courses culminate at the CDP’s Chemical, Ordnance, Biological, and Radiological (COBRA) Training Facility. The COBRA is the nation’s only facility featuring civilian training exercises in a true toxic environment using chemical agents. The advanced hands-on training enables responders to effectively prevent, respond to, and recover from real-world incidents involving acts of terrorism and other hazardous materials.

Responders participating in CDP training gain critical skills and confidence to respond effectively to local incidents or potential WMD events.

Information about CDP training programs can be found at <http://cdp.dhs.gov>.



U.S. Air Force Photo by Staff Sgt. Shanda Jackson

Security Forces Deploys

By Staff Sgt. Patrick McKenna, 102IW Public Affairs

More than 10 Airmen from the 102nd Security Forces Squadron recently departed Joint Base Cape Cod for a six-month deployment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Deployments are not uncommon for the security forces career field. So, when the squadron's leadership received the tasker, they immediately asked for volunteers and the response they received was overwhelming.

"I had more than 30 volunteers," said Capt. Christian Leighton, 102 SFS commander. "As a commander, it's fantastic. We have a lot of young motivated defenders that want to deploy and do the job."

With that many responses, Capt. Leighton and his senior noncommissioned officers had to decide which defenders would be the best fit for the squad needed to deploy. The squad that was eventually selected is a diverse mix of knowledge, experience and youth.

"We picked a great team that'll be led by Master Sgt. Mark Sheridan," Leighton said. "There's a good balance of

senior NCOs that have been on many deployments and newer guys that can tap into that experience. They'll do fantastic."

Once the squad was assembled, they began a demanding training schedule which culminated at the Regional Training Center at Fort Dix, N.J. They received high praise from the RTC's staff as well as fellow trainees for their cohesion, motivation and positive attitudes throughout the rigorous training.

The squad is now downrange at their deployed location and turning all their preparation into real world practice. Their responsibilities will range from manning entry control points, vehicle inspections, base and flightline security. No matter what duties they are tasked with, their leadership back at the 102nd SFS is confident in each of and every one of the deployed defenders.

"They're a bunch of go getters," Leighton said. "I foresee they'll come back with accolades and do a good job. Most importantly they'll take care of each other and represent our unit very well."



Capt. Christian Leighton, commander of the 102nd Security Forces Squadron, talks with Airmen and their families during a deployment breakfast on July 10, 2014 at Otis Air National Guard Base.

U.S. National Guard Photos by Mr. Timothy Sandland

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Supporting the Community

By Mr. Timothy Sandland, 102IW Public Affairs



U.S. National Guard Photos by Master Sgt. Aaron Smith

At the request of the Town of Bourne Fire Department, the 102nd Intelligence Wing provided equipment and personnel in support of several upcoming events this summer.

Over a dozen members of the 267th Combat Communications Squadron and the 102nd Logistics Readiness Flight delivered, set up, and trained members of the Bourne Fire Department on the use of air conditioning and generator equipment, as well as the portable shelters the equipment supports.

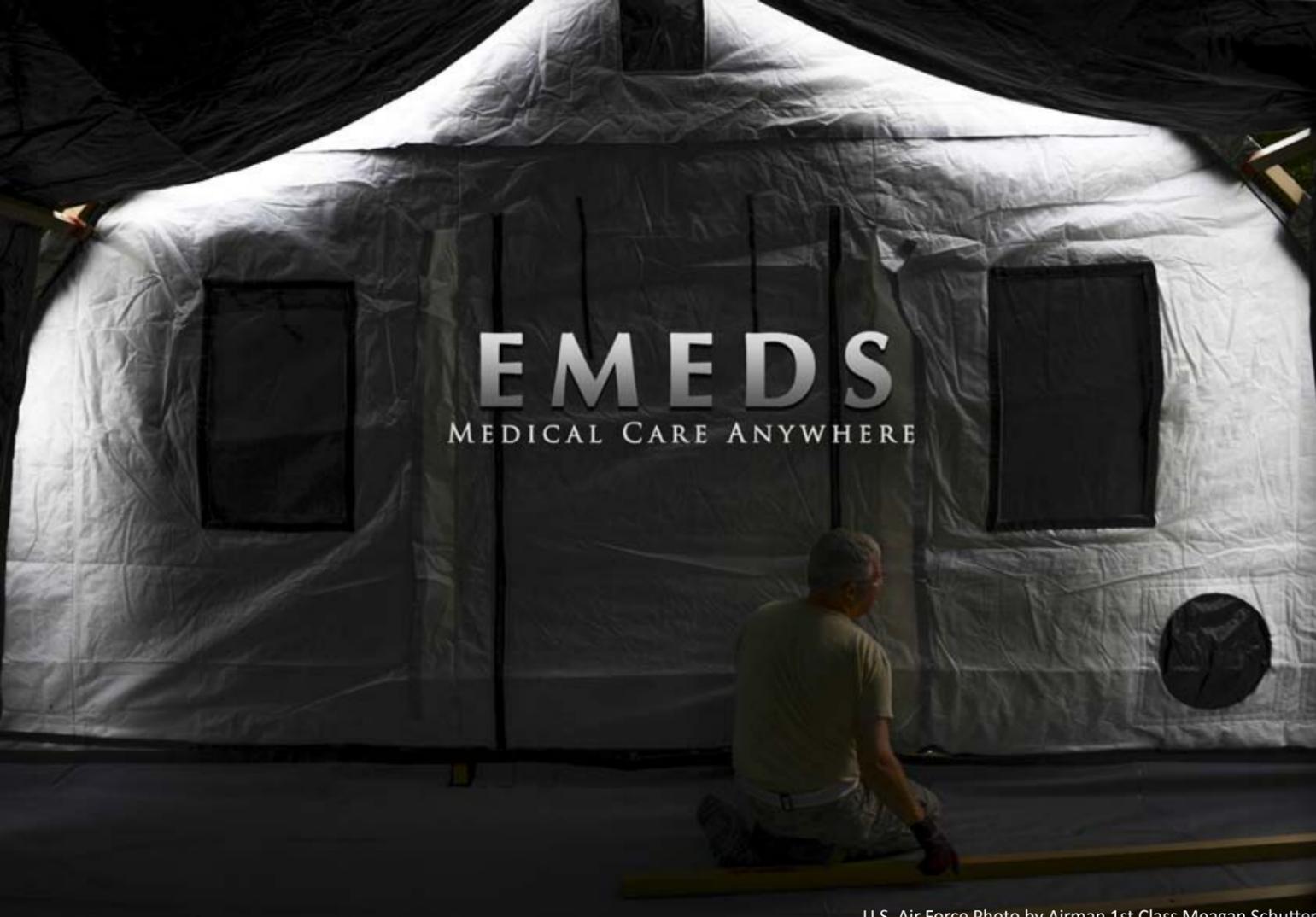
These shelters will be in place for various events taking place in the town this summer including the 2014 Pan Mass Challenge and the Cape Cod Canal Centennial celebration and fireworks display. According to their website, the Pan-Mass Challenge raises money for life-saving cancer research and treatment at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute through an annual bike-a-thon that crosses the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Cape Cod Canal Centennial celebrates the historic canal with a number of events during the week of July 25th through August 3rd and is expected to draw large numbers of residents and tourists alike.

The portable shelters have been set up as emergency medical stations in two primary locations. One has been installed on the Massachusetts Maritime Academy campus, as well as

an additional location on the causeway leading to Mashnee Island. According to Chief Master Sergeant Jason Mello of the 267th, "Instead of calling an ambulance or sending them to a local emergency room, they can actually treat folks right at that facility. It saves a lot of money, especially for the person, because they aren't paying for an ambulance ride."

Both locations provide paramedics a temperature controlled, clean and safe environment in which to care for individuals who may be suffering from dehydration, other heat-related injuries, or minor bumps and bruises. The medical stations provide a service to the community, as in many cases; treatment on site may preclude a potentially expensive ambulance ride to the emergency room.

The 102nd Intelligence Wing has provided similar support to the community of Bourne during the summer months for the last dozen or so years. In addition to the benefit to the town, this partnership also pays dividends to members of Otis Air National Guard Base as it provides additional opportunities to train personnel on equipment that is assigned to the unit. Chief Mello went on to say "it's great to give back to the community and get out there so folks don't just see us during times of disaster."



U.S. Air Force Photo by Airman 1st Class Meagan Schutter

By Staff Sgt. Tayna Rego, 102nd Medical Group

The 102nd Medical Group (MDG) is home to a team of select Airmen whose mission is to respond at any time to events requiring them to use all their medical skills in a hands-on environment.

This team of 47 Airmen makes up the 102 MDG Expeditionary Medical System-Consequence Management (EMEDS-CM) team. Their specialties include nurses, medical technicians, administration, biomedical equipment technicians, logistics, bio-environmental, and public health. The team is able to handle most aspects of emergency medical medicine, with a focus on trauma care.

The EMEDS-CM module is not new to the Air Force medical field, but its role has evolved through the years. Originally designed for quick response to a chemical, biological, radiological or explosive attack (CBRNE), the EMEDS-CM teams can now be ready within six hours to respond to natural disasters, as well as mass casualty incidents. During this past Boston Marathon, the EMEDS-CM team actually pre-staged so they would be able to provide an immediate response if needed.

“We’ve branched out and become more trauma focused,” said Master Sgt. Sarah Perry, 102nd Medical Group. “We’re tasked with triaging patients, stabilizing them, and getting them to

a higher echelon of care. We’re capable of handling up to 60 patients per hour for a period of eight hours.”

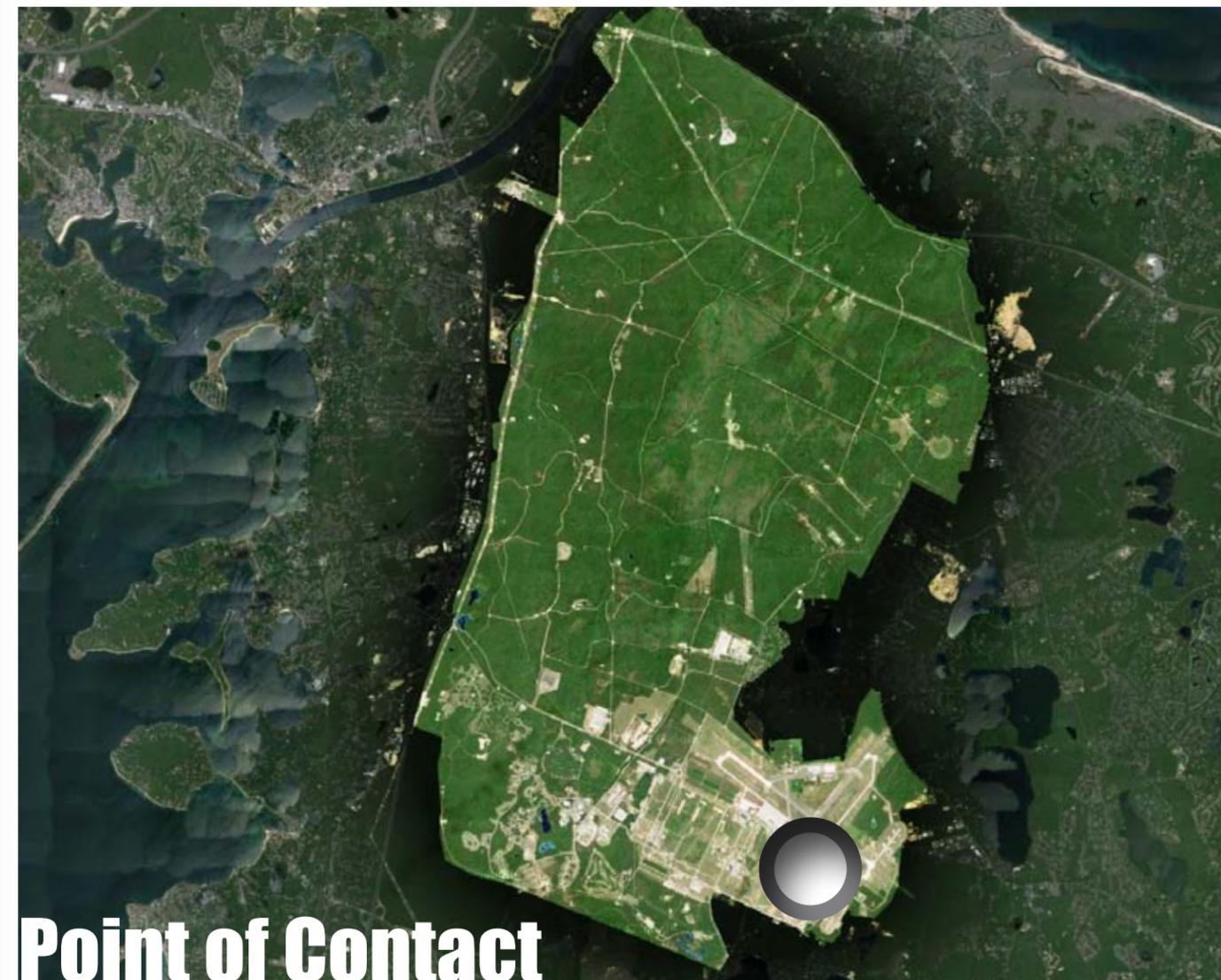
In addition to providing critical medical care, the 102 MDG EMEDS-CM team also has a team of 10 medics who work side by side with the Army during search and extraction operations.

The expanded mission of the EMEDS-CM brings extensive training for the 102nd MDG Airmen which included a recent training mission to work alongside FEMA, but the EMEDS-CM team recognizes the benefits of their additional responsibilities.

“This is our mission now,” said Senior Master Sgt. Cynthia Thomas, 102 MDG. “We’re making great relationships with local communities and other services. It has great potential to save lives and you feel like you’ve accomplished something when you go out there.”

The team recently changed leadership, and it didn’t take long for the new commander to see the diverse skill sets and experience his team possesses.

“I’m in awe of the dedication of the people here,” said Maj. Robert Driscoll Jr., 102 MDG EMEDS-CM commander. “The number of courses they have to take; the number of hours they have to put in. These people are highly devoted to the mission.”



Point of Contact

By Staff Sgt. Patrick McKenna, 102IW Public Affairs

It may not be noticeable when Joint Base Cape Cod personnel arrive to work every day or when they sit down to dinner with their families in base housing, but there’s a new dispatch system in place ensuring an even more secure Joint Base Cape Cod for its servicemembers and their families on base.

The 102nd Security Forces Squadron Base Defense Operations Center (BDOC) is now the central dispatch “hub” for all JBCC security including Camp Edwards Provost Marshal office, Army National Guard, and Coast Guard security agencies on JBCC. It will also incorporate the Barnstable County Sheriff’s dispatch center for 911 services and the Massachusetts State Police for response support.

Previously, BDOC only monitored and dispatched 102nd Intelligence Wing security posts and patrols. All other agencies on JBCC operated independently.

With an installation the size of JBCC, which hosts three military services, dozens of government and non-government agencies and encompasses more than 20,000 acres of land, having a streamlined security dispatch system is crucial.

“Under this new system the BDOC functions 24 hours a day, 365 days a year as the hub for controlling the primary and alternate radio nets, monitoring all on-base security/police services to include 4 entry control points and multiple patrols as well as coordinating mutual aid response between on and off-base agencies,” said Master Sgt. Marc Vercellone, 102 SFS operations superintendent.

This new partnership certainly brings additional responsibilities to the 102 SFS mission, but ultimately it comes with plenty of benefits, combining the capabilities of these different security agencies to become more efficient and standardized in securing JBCC.

“It will bring more efficient coordination among agencies, better access control, better response times, faster notifications when off-base support is needed – ultimately: a safer JBCC community,” Vercellone said.

Oct. - Jan. Promotions



Tyeshia Barfield
Kiel Boutelle
Bryan Bristol
Alexander Cool
Mender Desrosiers
Lauren Gray
Stephen Holland
Ryan Kulik



Patrick Mcconville
Timothy Mears
Jolea Mogran
Erin Moore
Brody Roderick
Andre Watson
Kyle Williams

Joseph Andrewski
Aaron Booker
Ashley Booker
Vincent Bratica
Maria Carchidi
Amanda Darby
Jillian Gromosky

Keith Kelleher
Sean Kierman
Ryan Pearson
Arck Perra
Brian Teixeira
Brian Vargas
Justin Wade



Kristine Balchunas
Peter Conley
David Goyette
Alison Lynch
Jonathan Maes
Ketty Mede

Daniel Moe
Ryan Morrissey
Simone Oconnor
Jason Rothwell
Robert Upton
Ryan Wheeler



Jamie Harris
Bryan Mccue
Phillip Shafovaloff
Tola Sok



Thomas Burchell
Bethany Hien
Jason Madden



Karl Berger
Danielle Johnson
Michael Kelley
Joshua Kilgore



Shane Kinsey
Corey Mackey
Kristin Moulis
Ricardo Torres



Eugene Botelho
Lee Dewald
Keith Henderlong
Steven Meschwitz

Commander's Cup: SOFTBALL! August 23rd @ 1600

The Commander's Cup event for August Training Assembly will be Softball. The event will take place at one of two fields on Saturday afternoon at 1600. Field #1 is located off the rotary next to the Eagle's nest and Field #2 is the Coast Guard Field located next to the Coast Guard dining facility on the Sandwich Gate side of the base. Each game will be as many innings as each group can play within 45 minutes with a 14-run mercy rule. After the first game the winning team(s) will play for first and second place points and the losing team for third and fourth place points. Wing Groups with minimum participants will be combined to form four teams and will share points based on their performance in the tournament. If you have any questions feel free to contact Capt. Dennis Swift via email: dennisgswift@yahoo.com

SEAGULL IDEAS?

Do you have an idea for a *Seagull* article? Is your unit or shop doing something impressive? Is there something on base you don't think gets enough attention? Or do you simply have an announcement? Stories and ideas are always welcome. Email us at 102iw.pa@ang.af.mil (Please limit articles to 500 words.)

The next *Seagull* deadline is Monday, September 1, 2014.

Announcements



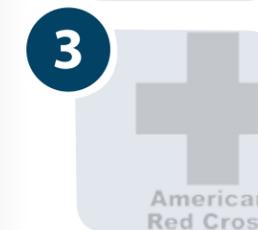
Bonfire:

Stop by the Eagle's Nest on Saturday, August 23rd for the annual Eagle's Nest Bonfire. There will be a "bouncy house" on hand for kids and a live band, High Attitude, playing from 1700-2100. Dinner is served at 1700. Grab some co-workers and stop by after work to take part in the once a year occasion!



Personally Identifiable Information:

We all have a duty to safeguard Privacy Act records and keep the information for the minimum time required. Proper maintenance of protected records will ensure we don't inadvertently disclose the record to unauthorized people. Protect information according to its sensitivity level. Learn more by clicking [HERE](#).



Red Cross Blood Drive

The 102nd Intelligence Wing will be hosting a blood drive with the American Red Cross between 0900 and 1400 on Thursday, September 4th, 2014 in the Rubb Tent behind the Eagle's Nest. All people with access to Otis Air National Guard Base are encouraged to donate. Sign up online for a donation appointment by visiting www.redcrossblood.org. In the 'Find a Blood Drive' box enter the sponsor code 102IW. You will be provided with a list of available appointments.



Family Flyer:

Check out a wide variety of off-duty activities in the weekly family flyer. The flyer lists discounts, events, job-fairs, and more that are available to both individuals and families. The newest version of the flyer is available [HERE](#).



Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Staff Sgt. Robin Montgomery and his wife Emily. Staff Sgt. Montgomery, from LRS, and his wife proudly announce the birth of their first child, a son. Grayson Montgomery was born on July 12, 2014, weighed 7lbs. 12oz., and was 19.5 inches long.



Family Day

The 102 IW Family Day will be held during the October UTA on Sunday, Oct. 5, 2014. Following a ceremony, food will be served and children will enjoy face painting and rides to include an inflatable moonwalk, obstacle course, flying elephants and a 52-foot chair swing! Please begin getting a head count of how many family and friends you plan to invite so you can acquire the appropriate number of base access passes from your First Sergeant during the August UTA. If you have any questions, please contact Capt Dennis Swift or Capt Evan Lagasse.



Hurricane Season

As we approach the Atlantic's peak hurricane season, mid-August through October, the 202nd Weather Flight would like to provide some essential information to help prepare you for a hurricane disaster. Click [HERE](#) to learn how you can prepare for hurricane, safely weather it, and recovery from it quickly.