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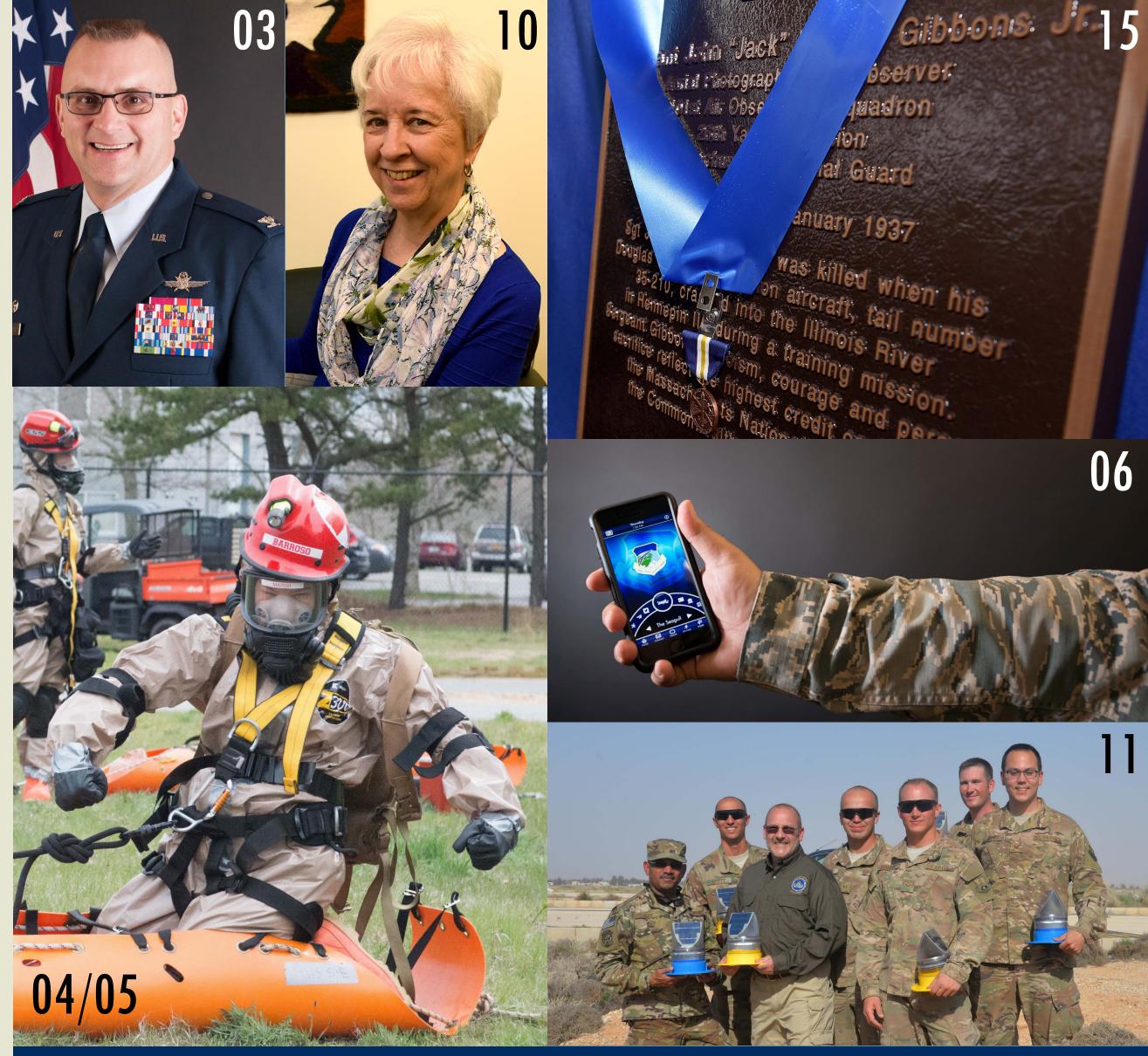
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#### COMMANDER'S COMMENTS



#### Year One is Wrapping Up

By Col. Joseph F. Morrissey Jr. 202 ISRG/Commander Year One is wrapping up!

The 202nd Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group stood up on 1 July 2016, and since the Assumption of Command during the August drill, the members of the 202 ISRG have hit the ground running to ensure we ready for Initial Operational Capability (IOC) in 2018!

First, I would like to thank all the Airmen of the 202 ISRG for all their hard work in getting us off to a great start. You have stood up a group and three squadrons in record time and have been completely focused on my tasks I challenged you with back in August. Those tasks centered on the Organize, Train and Equip aspects of getting the 202 ISRG ready to conduct our mission.

The following is list of some of our statistics and accomplishments over the past 11 months to achieve those OT&E tasks:

#### Organize

- Manning
  - In less than a year we have went from zero personal assigned to 148 out of the 197 authorized, that puts the 202 ISRG at 75% manning!
- Side Note If you know of anyone that would like to be 1N4 we still need 42 more! Please spread the word
- All but one of our 53 full-time positions are filled as well
- The Organizational Change Request was approved, which authorized us to stand up the three squadrons on 1 March 2017
- Each squadron has designed and is working on official approval of their organizational patches

#### Train

- 37% of are Airmen are completely trained in their Air Force Specialty Code
  - With an additional 18 currently at technical school
- Two Airmen will be graduating from the Joint Cyber Analysis Course in July
- We will be sending another 15 to JCAC in Fiscal Year 2018

 Three of our Airmen are on tours with the National Security Agency which will provided detailed knowledge of our mission

#### Equip

- Our IOC container is open for business and were ready to start conducting missions
- Building 165
- The 65% designed review has been completed and approved by National Guard Bureau
- The 95% design is estimate to completed by July 2017
- A contract to start the renovation is expected early in FY 2018

However, standing up this new mission is a team effort across the wing! A special thank you goes out to the 102 ISRG Commander, Colonel McNulty, for allowing so many of his highly trained Airmen to transition over to this new mission!

I would to thank the 102nd Mission Support Group for all their help over the past year. Whether it is the Civil Engineering Squadron and Communications Flight helping with the design of Building 165; the Logistics Readiness Flight's help with transfer/turn-in of all the Air Operations Group's/Combat Communications Squadron's equipment; or Mission Support Flight's help with processing all the paperwork necessary to stand up the group. Thank you!

I would also like to thank the 212th Engineering Installation Squadron for the help they have provided with planning the inside plant design for building 165.

This has been truly a wing effort across the board!!

As you can see the past 11 months have been extremely busy and very fruitful! We have accomplished a great deal and you have a lot to be proud of!! Please take a moment to take in and grasp all that has been done. I can promise you one thing - the next 24 months will be just as hectic and fast paced as the first 12!



## EMEDS-CM TRAINS ON MARTHA'S VINEYARD

#### By Mr. Timothy Sandland 102nd IW/Public Affairs

MARTHA'S VINEYARD, Mass. - Dealing with disaster is hardly ever a convenient prospect. Be it a natural disaster, industrial accident or terrorist attack, the chances are, the care for those affected will certainly be confronted by challenges - of weather, transportation, logistics and a potential plethora of other scenarios.

Enter the professional Airmen of the 102nd Medical Group Detachment 1, also known as EMEDS-CM.

The EMEDS-CM, short for Expeditionary Medical Support-Consequence Management, is the 47-member medical segment of the Massachusetts CERFP, or the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and High Yield Explosive (CBRNE) Enhanced Response Force Package. Certainly a mouthful, but when it comes to rapidly deployed first-rate medical care - this is the team you want.

The team, which partners with the Federal Emergency Management Agency as well as a number of local and state agencies such as MEMA, MBTA and some local hospitals and fire departments, includes personnel from many different medical specialties. Doctors, nurses, medics and EMTs make up the diverse team.

On a damp and windy day at the Martha's Vineyard Airport the team was upbeat and positive. Putting the finishing touches on the setup of the shelters, equipment and gear that a convoy of trucks and trailers transported across Vineyard Sound on the ferry. "We wanted to practice getting to Martha's Vineyard on the Ferry" said Chief Master Sgt. Cynthia Thomas, 102nd Medical Group Superintendent. Responding to an event on one of the islands is always a possibility and the team wanted to test their capability to deploy there.

Thomas went on to say, "I'm sure we got some strange looks on the way over."

The first thing you notice are the suits.

The self-contained, protective suits and masks serve to keep these Airmen safe while performing their life-saving mission, however they do add to the potential for fatigue. During the training, a careful eye is kept on all who were wearing this equipment. Vitals are constantly checked throughout the day to ensure everyone is doing okay.

Once all of the team's equipment was all set up and baseline vitals were taken for Airmen in the protective suits, the training started.

As Master Sgt. Daniel LaRiviere pointed out, "Everyone in a green suit are our search and extraction medics." These are the individuals who have received the appropriate training and are qualified to provide treatment in the field. LaRiviere continued, "The rest of them - they are getting trained - Everyone in a brown suit is in the training phase."

One of the training scenarios was the response to a building collapse. Using simulated rappelling techniques, team members used climbing equipment to 'lower' a search and extraction teammate to the simulated patient (a crash test dummy of sorts). Once stabilized and able to be moved, the team recovered the patient and began rendering aid.

Col. Virginia Doonan, 102nd Intelligence Wing Commander said, "I got the opportunity to go over to the Vineyard to watch our EMEDS-CM detachment practice in a different environment. It was tremendous to see the men and women of the organization challenge themselves in different roles than they normally would and really push the limits of their training."

She went on to say, "Just the logistics of going over to the Vineyard presented its own challenges, but above and beyond all that, they took on different roles within the team to understand their challenges, which was really fantastic to watch."

When asked how the team came to be training at the airport, Assistant Airfield Manager Geoff Freeman said, "A member of the unit made contact with our Airport Manager, and I then made contact with Lt. [Derek] May. We worked together over the past few months, coordinating a location here"

In terms of having the team's capabilities available close by, Freeman went on to say, "With limited EMS services available [on the island], and a small hospital - there's a lot of potential here - it's great to see"







## VINEYARD DS-CM ON MARTHA'S EME



## THE OFFICIAL 102ND INTELLIGENCE WING MOBILE SMART PHONE APP

By Mr. Timothy Sandland 102nd IW/Public Affairs OTIS AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Mass. - Staying connected can sometimes be a challenge, so as citizen Airmen, having important information at your fingertips can be a benefit - especially when in between drills or when TDY.

The 102nd Communications Flight and wing Public Affairs office recently teamed up with app developers from Straxis Technology to design a smart phone app that will put important information from the wing into the palm of your hand.

Airmen have long expressed the need for information from the unit. Whether they're interested in things happening on base or need an important phone number, the convenience of having access to information is key.

The app includes many useful resources such as a news feed, directory for main points of contact, an events calendar and other features. It is also a convenient way to view the 102nd Intelligence Wing's monthly news magazine, The Seagull, in addition to links to all social media sites for the wing, Air National Guard and the Air Force.

Airmen and their families will benefit from the Airman and Family Readiness section, which includes helpful links such as Military One Source, TRICARE, Base Cape Cod MWR and others. Resources also include a deployment checklist and family news from across the Air Force.

The Air Force Guidebook offers guidance on dress and appearance, protocol, the Tongue and Quill and the Wingman Toolkit.

Have an approaching fitness test? The Air Force fitness standards and a helpful calculator are built in which will allow you to score yourself during practice tests.

The application launch isn't the end of the innovation or work however.

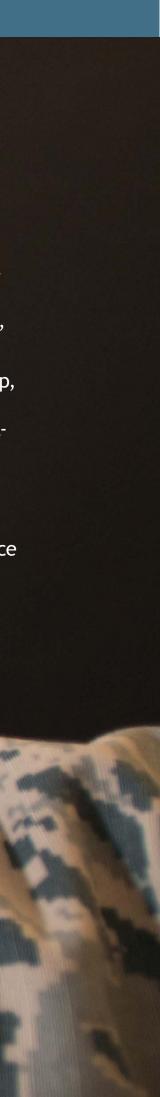
In the coming months, a group function will be introduced in the app. This 'by invitation' element will allow flights, squadrons and groups the ability to build specific memberships based on members of their unit, working group or functional areas.

In addition to all of the functionality of the mobile app, the group function adds the ability for group and private messaging, shared calendars and group photo galleries.

The app has a planned release date of Monday, Jun 5, 2017.

To download the app, search for the '102nd Intelligence Wing' in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.







I would say that most of the people that come to see me are dealing with a difficult relationship, a divorce, or even difficulty with their leadership. Also increased OPS Tempo and increase relationship concerns are creating some very stressed crews and staff currently.

I have added some great books and websites that you may find useful. I often suggest to members to download these books, especially if you have a long commute it's great to listen to in the car. Here are some books if you are struggling in a relationship and at the end, there are some books on divorce.

A book that almost every therapist owns, is the 5 Love Languages (there is a military version as well) and The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work. He and his wife have written at least 10 books. and due to all their research over the years, they can usually predict divorce after watching a couple communicate or how they argue in about 15 minutes.

Another great book is the Female Brain and the Male Brain by Louann Brizendine. I like the biological take on the needs of each gender. It discusses a design, flaws and options to assist.

- The "5 Love Languages" also has an App... Couples can take a 10 minute test to identify their love language and then it has challenges and tasks to assist with building and sustaining connection and communication.
- I have had a few young couples start it and they lot of videos on the seemed to enjoy it. If

## **RELATIONSHIPS AND RESOURCES**

#### By Ms. Jill Garvin (and Zoe) 102nd IW/Director of Psychological Health

- nothing else, they are talking about their relationship, which is great for maintenance and to the theory and research. growth.
- Communication Miracles for Couples by Jonathan Robinson
- The Co Parent Survival Guide letting go of conflict after difficult divorce by Elizabeth Thayer PhD and Jeffery Zimmerman PhD
- Getting Ready for Marriage Workbook by Jerry Hardin and Dianne Sloan
- Toxic Ex Co Parenting by Amy Baker
- I Hate you don't leave by Jerold Kreisman
- Stop Walking on Eggshells by Mason Kreger (if you have a loved one with a personality disorder this is an excellent book).
- Helping your kids cope with divorce the Sandcastles Way by Gary Neuman

The Gottman Institute for couples work. I really enjoy

their methodology and applied theoretical framework behind relationship

pitfalls and successful unions. Their website offers handouts and resources.

Their theory is very "user friendly" and provides the tools needed for

couples to navigate conjointly. Also, YouTube has a

https://www.gottman.com/

support-groups/

support-group/ for women

future.

- Gottman Method which can be used an introduction
- Here is a site with different types of divorce groups around the MA area: http://thedivorcecenter.org/
- http://www.capecod.com/events/we-can-divorce-
- Divorce and break ups are one of the hardest experiences any one can go through. No one understands better than someone who has been through it. Support is a must! Often you lose your support if you and your partner break up or divorce, if you were close to the spouse's family. Divorce is like a death and rocks your foundation like nothing else! There is hope and opportunity for growth. You can't see that when you are in the middle of it. But I do see people recover and realize much later, that what seemed liked the end of the world, ended up opening their world to new beginnings and a hopeful
- I am more than happy to find you resources in your area! Always check on your wingman if you know they are going through something traumatic—send a text, email or a call. Makes all the difference in the world knowing you are not alone!
- Wishing you a happy summer!

## WING CARE PROVIDER DIRECTORY

This listing was compiled to assist you in caring for your Wingman. Please use this page for your information and as guidance for referral.

#### DIRECTOR OF PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH

The Psychological Health Program offers free of charge, confidential psychological assessments and brief solution focused coaching, consultations, referrals and case management. You can also find Zoe here, the wing therapy and morale dog. Contact Ms. Jill Garvin, jill.a.garvin.civ@mail.mil (P) 508.968.4827 (C) 508.237.6652

#### SUICIDE PREVENTION

The Director of Psychological Health can be the first contact for individuals in suicidal crisis or those having thoughts of suicide. She can advise supervisors and peers regarding support for distressed coworkers, and is Point of Contact for Suicide Prevention Training and Education. Contact Ms. Jill Garvin, jill.a.garvin.civ@mail.mil (P) 508.968.4827 (C) 508.237.6652

#### **AIRMAN AND FAMILY READINESS**

The Otis Airman and Family Readiness Office offers a wide variety of services and programs that contribute to the mission readiness, resiliency, and well-being of the Air Force community by taking care of people. A&FR programs are available free of charge to military personnel, DoD civilians, retired military and family members. Contact Ms. Erin Creighton, erin.k.creighton.civ@mail.mil (P) 508.968.4855 (C) 774.313.8534

#### **CHAPEL OFFICE**

The mission of the Chapel Team is to provide a holistic ministry of presence, care and hope to members of the Wing in a flexible, responsive, and competent way. Private conversations of those seeking the counsel of Chaplain Corps personnel as matters of faith or acts of conscience are strictly privileged communication. Contact the Chapel Office (P) 508.968.4508

#### **VETERAN'S CENTERS**

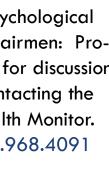
We are the people in the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs who welcome home the war veterans with honor by providing quality readjustment services in a caring manner. We assist veterans and their family members toward a successful postwar adjustment. 1.800.905.4675 (local - Hyannis 508.778.0124)

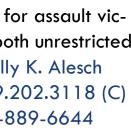
#### SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE **COORDINATOR (SARC)**

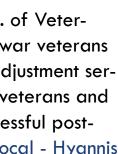
Providing private, confidential care for assault victims and assistance with reporting both unrestricted and restricted. Contact Captain Molly K. Alesch molly.k.alesch.mil@mail.mil (O) 339.202.3118 (C) 774.286.1164 SARC Hotline: 508-889-6644

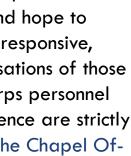
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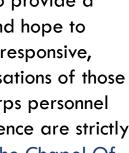
A resource for both medical and psychological conditions affecting the wellness of airmen: Provider consultation can be arranged for discussion of these and other conditions by contacting the reception desk or via your Unit Health Monitor. Contact the Medical Group (P) 508.968.4091











### **RECRUITING CORNER** EDUCATION BENEFITS IN THE MA ANG

#### Provided by the Recruiting Office

#### Did you know?

The Massachusetts Air National Guard is ranked as one of the top states, if not THE top state in the nation, when it comes to education benefits. Some states pay only a percentage of college tuition, while others may only waive the tuition and not the fees. There are even some states that don't have any education benefits at all. Here in Massachusetts, the tuition AND fees are waived for any state college or university - good for 130 credits.

#### FOUR YEAR INSTITUTIONS

Bridgewater State Fitchburg State Framingham State MA College of Art MA College of Liberal Arts MA Maritime Academy Salem State University of MA Westfield State Worcester State

You are eligible for the state college tuition and fees waiver the day you enlist into the MA Air National Guard.

Just think - you, a member of the Massachusetts Air National Guard, working one weekend a month and 15 days a year, can earn a Bachelor's Degree without any student loan debt. What a great feeling! Tell your family and friends!

#### TWO YEAR COLLEGES

Berkshire Community College Bristol Community College Bunker Hill Community College Cape Cod Community College Greenfield Community College Holyoke Community College Mass Bay Community College Massasoit Community College Middlesex Community College Mount Wachusett Community College North Shore Community College Northern Essex Community College Quinsigamond Community College Roxbury Community College Springfield Tech Community College



### CHAPEL CALL: BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) David Berube 102nd IW/Chapel

My Memorial Day weekend consists of being at several ceremonies honoring our fallen comrades-in-arms. Those events always focus my thoughts on freedom, security, and peace. walk through the weekend remembering particular faces and families who made the ultimate sacrifice for the cause of peace.

Peace is a complicated reality. Many people see it simply as a rational process of avoiding or abating conflict between reasonable people with a mutual interest in not fighting. They believe disputes, disagreements, and even major aggressions can always be resolved by rational conversation and mutual cooperation. Yet peace involves more than lack of conflict. All parties to conflict are not always interested in "the rest of the package" of peace - realities like dignity and equality, liberty, justice, and like values. That's what makes peace a complicated and sometimes difficult reality to hold onto by the rule of mutual best interest and "what's right."

I recognize that peace is sometimes held or restored through conversation and cooperation, thankfully. It's just that sometimes it takes more forceful action for peace to be gained and maintained. Peace sometimes requires Peacemakers, like our fallen comrades, engaged in forceful action to ensure peace takes root and holds.

Peacemakers are different from peacekeepers. Peacekeepers do what it takes to avoid rocking the boat. They attempt to "secure" peace simply by avoiding conflict, even when they are just denying the conflict swirling around them. Think of good people with good intentions who stand by while a dictator commits genocide, continuing the routines of their daily lives and hoping for the best.

Peacemakers, on the other hand, intentionally wade into the midst of chaos and conflict to restore order, provide stability, ensure dignity and value, and end conflict - they make peace. Peacemakers engage conflict when necessary because they understand that real peace and goodwill are vital to peoples' ability to really live. Peacemaking sometimes requires definitive

force in conflict to ensure a true and lasting peace.

As members of our Nation's military we are called, sworn, and dedicated as peacemakers. We stand vigilant every day, acting to ensure the ongoing security of our Nation's values and the guest for a truly real peace in our world. Wherever we go, we bear the sacred burden to promote the kind of true peace and goodwill that brings fulfillment, value, and dignity to all people. Following the example of our fallen brothers and sisters who gave the last full measure of dedication to our calling, we commit to the cost of righteous action in pursuit of that end. In my religious tradition there is sacred scripture that says peacemakers are blessed and called God's children. I'm

honored to share the blessing of being a peacemaker with our fallen sisters and brothers, and with you, on this Memorial Day weekend and always.

#### WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE RSD

#### SATURDAY

• Roman Catholic Mass, 1500, Army Chapel (the white chapel outside the Inner Gate)

#### SUNDAY

- Roman Catholic Mass, 1030, Building 170, Room #238
- Christian Worship, 1100, Building 330, Room #7

If you need or want a worship experience other than these, please contact us at 508-968-4508. We'll be happy to help you.







## **RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES FOR TWO NEW BUILDINGS**

By Mr. Timothy Sandland 102nd IW/Public Affairs

Thursday, May 25, saw two ribbon cutting ceremonies for the newly renovated Security Forces facility and recently completed wing headquarters building.

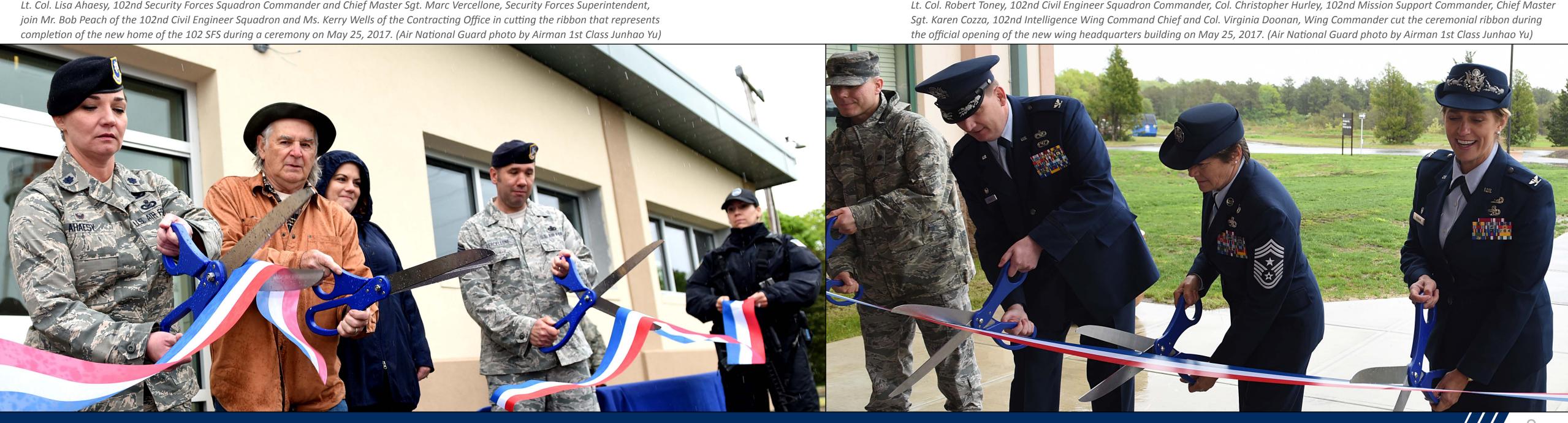
Building 197 will be home to the 102nd Security Forces Squadron, who provide base defense and security functions for Otis ANGB and Joint Base Cape Cod. The building will house command, administration, investigation, and training and operations functions. In addition to office facilities, the newly renovated building will also include an armory, guard

Airmen moved to the new building from a 1950's era aircraft mount, support services, classroom functions and the Base Defense Operations Center, or BDOC, which is a 24/7 operated hangar that had been retrofitted to include office space command and control facility that serves as the focal point for decades ago. base security and defense. The new building has improved and modernized office space,

The second ribbon cutting ceremony was conducted for the meets and exceeds all force protection requirements and is an new wing headquarters facility at Building 170. environmentally friendly work environment for its occupants.

The facility is the new home for wing leadership and staff, the 102nd Mission Support Group as well as a majority of support functions for the base.

Lt. Col. Lisa Ahaesy, 102nd Security Forces Squadron Commander and Chief Master Sqt. Marc Vercellone, Security Forces Superintendent, join Mr. Bob Peach of the 102nd Civil Engineer Squadron and Ms. Kerry Wells of the Contracting Office in cutting the ribbon that represents completion of the new home of the 102 SFS during a ceremony on May 25, 2017. (Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Junhao Yu)



## **AIRMAN AND FAMILY READINESS:** NEW FACES BRING NEW SERVICES

#### By Airman 1st Class Junhao Yu 102nd IW/Public Affairs

OTIS AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Mass. -- A Yellow Ribbon Support Specialist and a Personal Financial Counselor are joining the base Airman and Family Readiness Program here. The support services work with military families to provide spiritual support, reintegration advice from military to civilian life and confidential financial counseling.

Kimberly L. Healy, the Yellow Ribbon Support Specialist is scheduled to return from training June 4, 2017 while the Personal Financial Counselor is now available to provide financial counseling.

"When I saw the difficulties the wives and family went through I decided to get involved," said Healy. "This is honestly a dream job of mine to work with veterans and their families."

Healy said she understands the challenges faced by Airmen and their family when service members are away for work because she has been there when her husband, a member of the 102nd Security

Equities Fund for six years prior to joining the FRP, which is a Fortune 100 financial services organization. Antel explains that service members should feel comfortable speaking with her because a meeting with her is confidential. Antel said her counseling is available to all members of Joint Base Cape Cod, regardless of branch of service. "Army or Coast Guard can come and meet me here," said Antel. "Perhaps an Airman might feel awkward coming to my office so we can meet off-base as well." According to Antel she can provide financial counseling by meeting any service members within a 50-mile radius, with the exception of a member's residence. Working with a financial counselor is not going to magically make financial problems go away, said Antel. An individual will need While Healy said she to be motivated to make changes. However, Antel said she can can help with spiritual provide a lot of guidance for a driven individual for financial support, Debra L. Antel, success. the wing's new Personal Both Healy and Antel are military spouses, which they said they Financial Counselor, can help with any and all themselves have utilized programs from the military such as the FRP to help them get through life at one point or another. They money issues. both said they have a desire to work with military families because "I've been a Certified they understand how it feels like to be a part of the service. Healy Financial Planner for and Antel can be found in Building 170, Room 134 and Room 116 more than 10 years," respectively. Members are encouraged to email Healy at khealy@ said Antel. "I can help afsc.com and Antel at pfc4.ma.ng@zeiders.com and educate anyone on anything that money touches." Antel worked at

Forces Squadron, left home for training or deployment. "If you reach out we will help you," said Healy. "I want to help you find resources or free programs that'll encourage your children to get out of the house. There are free programs at the library or free horseback riding. The little things you would never think of that are there." According to Healy there are many resources and entitlements that military families don't know about but can benefit them if they would just come for a visit. "I know a lot of them are resistant to going to these kind of things," said Healy. "People don't want to sit through another briefing. It's not like that with me. It's an open communication at my office, I want to know what you need so that I can help."



Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association College Retirement

(left) Kimberly Healy, new Yellow ribbon support specialist with the base Airman and Family Readiness Program (Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Junhao Yu)



(above) Debra Antel, new Personal Financial Counselor with the base Airman and Family Readiness Program (Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Junhao Yu)





## ECES ELECTRICAL AND HOST NATION PARTNERS LIGHT IT UP

By Senior Master Sgt. George Burr 332nd Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron

SOUTHWEST ASIA -- The 332nd ECES Electrical Shop has recently proven they have the power to illuminate mission capabilities. Flying mission capabilities that is!

When SSgt's Bjorgvin Gislason and David Livoti received a briefing from the Airfield Manager, Technical Sergeant Jeremy Butterworth, of an airfield plagued with multiple lighting problems and NOTAMs (Notices to Airmen) identifying airfield discrepancies, they immediately, despite manning shortfalls, bolted into action to form an airfield lighting crew that has already improved airfield lighting deficiencies by 17%, since their commencing in early February 2017.

According to the most recent Airfield Management report, 19 edge lights that were previously believed to be beyond repair, are now providing critical lighting to the approach ends of runways 13/31 and 08/26.

Prior to these successful repairs, approaches made by joint force aviators had to be attempted in near blackout conditions during the first 2K feet of each runway approach end. This made the visual approaches doable but sketchy, especially on nights when pilot visibility is decreased by low ceiling cloud cover, or during inclement weather. The airfield lighting team was also able to restore two precision approaches that have supported a total of 76 heavy aircraft, and discovered a work-around that allowed them to replace 16 PAPI system bulbs, which restored the visual approach capability for joint force aviators.

The Precision Approach Path Indicator, a critical aviator tool, provides pilots with a safe and accurate visual glide slope on final approach to the runway. A row of PAPI lights are seen by the pilot in combinations of red and white to indicate a path that is too high, too low or correctly on slope. This number one lighting priority for Airfield Management with regard to airfield safety and compliance standards, deemed in dire need of repair, was made fully operational by the airfield lighting team.

The airfield lighting team consists of two primary members from ECES, SSgt David Livoti and Senior Airman Alejandro Ozuna, both of Vandenberg Air Force Base, California. They were assisted by Mr. Frank Pezzuto, Contract Electrical Engineer from AECOM, and several host nation lighting crew members.

The team still has work cut out for them as they have recently stepped up to the task of replacing 10 Constant Current Regulators located in the airfield's 4 lighting vaults at the ends of each runway, which are also deemed as being beyond repair. CCR units can be thought of as the central nervous system that provides electricity, communications, and control to all airfield runway, taxiway, and approach lights, including airport directions signage, as well as remote control capability from the airfield tower; pivotal equipment in the world of airfield management.

Once this is accomplished, the team will focus on taxiway lighting by replacing bulbs and fixtures and bringing the entire airfield up to U.S. Air Force Standards, thus making for a safe flying experience for our joint force pilots, and everyone having a need to navigate the airfield in one way of another.

The airfield lighting team is optimistic their team's endeavors can be accomplished during this rotation. Should it not be possible, the team still have accomplished fulfilling both the legacy and creed of all who pass through the base, which is "Leaving it better than they found it."



Members from the 332nd Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron pose with solar lights as an F-15E Strike Eagle lands behind them, May 10th, 2017, in Southwest Asia. The 332nd ECES squadron installed solar lights on the flight line, making it safer for pilots during night operations. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Staff Sgt. Samuel O'Brien)



## **ALL IN A NIGHT'S WORK:** MQ-9S MAXIMIZE AIRPOWER DOWNRANGE

#### By Tech. Sgt. Nadine Barclay 432nd Wing/432nd Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

CREECH AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. (AFNS) -- As many Americans sleep soundly in their beds, Airmen in attack squadrons across the 432nd Wing flying the MQ-1B Predator and MQ-9 Reaper from cockpits in the continental U.S. are having decisive effects in the fight against violent extremism. In combat operations last week, one MQ-9 squadron stood above the rest when aircrews employed 13 Hellfire missiles and 500-pound bombs during one eight-hour overnight shift.

These employments occurred in two different combat arenas separated by thousands of miles, while the aircrew piloting the aircraft sat just feet away from one another in separate cockpits in the squadron.

Over the course of the night, the MQ-9 aircrew employed four different variants of Hellfire missiles and two variants of the 500-pound bombs in close-air support while simultaneously executing over 30 hours of armed reconnaissance and producing critical intelligence for our national defense.

"While this was one night in one squadron, this kind of impact is happening daily in the attack squadrons flying in combat across the enterprise," said Col. Case Cunningham, the 432nd WG commander.

In 2016 alone, this particular squadron flew nearly 25,000 combat hours and 1,300 combat sorties, culminating in 520 weapon strikes

in support of combatant commanders. The squadron continues the pace today with nearly 300 strikes in 2017 alone.

"This was amazing work by one of several highly professional and combat seasoned MQ-9 squadrons we have in the 432nd Operations Group," said Col. Joe, the 432nd OG commander. balancing work and personal life. "These crews are providing combatant commanders the entire 'find, fix, track, target, engage, and assess' target cycle in a single platform."

Providing the persistent attack and reconnaissance capability 24/7 year-round is no easy task.

"We are absolutely evolving the aspect of modern warfare and proving the capability of MQ-9s in every mission we fly, and it's amazing to watch the work of these professional aviators up close," Joe said.

In addition to skilled aircrew, the MQ-9 enterprise takes hard work and dedication from multiple squadron, maintenance, intelligence and communications personnel to operate as the well-oiled machine it is today.

"Achieving this level of execution is not solely on the pilots and sensor operators; they are backed by a highly capable and professional team of intelligence analysts, support personnel and contractors, all dedicated to executing the squadron mission," said Lt. Col. Albert, a 432nd WG squadron commander. "We would not be

able to fly airplanes if it were not for their collective hard work and selfless attitudes."

Despite the contributions of these Airmen, providing this capability doesn't come without its own challenges. The squadron is only able to achieve these effects by focusing on

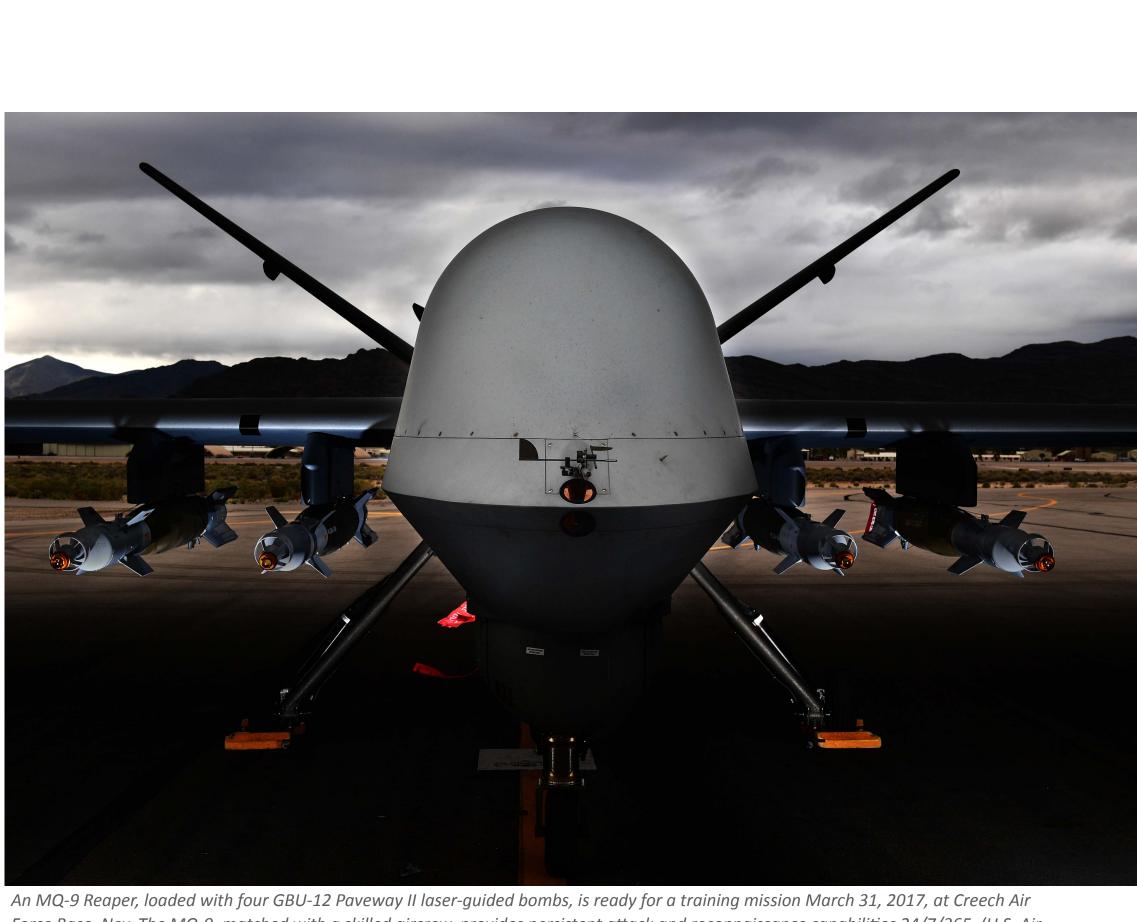
"Being deployed in place makes this a particular challenge," Albert said. "We deliberately set our culture around excellence in combat as well as taking care of our families and having fun while we do it."

The commander elaborated on how important it was to find the middle ground for the greater good of the Airmen and the missions assigned to the unit. "This balance will enable us to not only excel in our current mission, but also helps us to create the next generation of well-balanced leaders for the MQ-9 community and the Air Force."

The wing focuses on winning today's fight while also deliberately developing its Airmen with the leadership and expertise they'll need to continue being combat leaders in tomorrow's fight.

"It's truly humbling to work with Airmen who make such an impressive impact in the fight every single day," Cunningham said.

(Editor's note: Last names and squadron title withheld for operational security.)



Force Base, Nev. The MQ-9, matched with a skilled aircrew, provides persistent attack and reconnaissance capabilities 24/7/365. (U.S. Air *Force photo/Senior Airman Christian Clausen)* 



## LOYERS AROUND THE GLOBE **D D D** 020



(above) Col. Jeffrey Macrander, Air Reserve Component Senior Advisor, AFCENT, coins Staff Sgt. Kender DesRosiers of the 102nd Communications Flight. Macrander was visiting in support of guard and reserve Airmen in the the AOR.







Intelligence Wing Commander, Col. Virginia Doonan for a job well done in their support of the various building projects around the base. (Air National Guard photo by Mr. Timothy Sandland)







Erin Creighton of the 102nd Intelligence Wing's Airman and Family Readiness Office receives a state level award. (Air National Guard photos by Mr. Timothy Sandland)

Mr. Richard Connor of the 102nd Civil Engineer Squadron marks the location for lettering to welcome visitors to the new 102nd Intelligence Wing headquarters building. (Air National Guard photo by Mr. Timothy Sandland)





## ACCOLADES

#### PROMOTIONS

SENIOR AIRMAN Sierra Murray

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Heather Bienz

LIEUTENANT COLONEL

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MASTER SERGEANT

Miguel Menendez

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SrA Jacob Ing

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Capt Randy Bonneau SrA Bennie Lowe

AFCENT/FM Comptroller/Budget Officer for Mar-Apr 2017 AFCENT/FM Customer Service Technician for Mar-Apr 2017

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRESCRIPTIONS REMINDER

IAW AFI 48-123 chap 10, each ANG member is responsible for promptly (within 72 hours) reporting an illness, injury, disease, operative procedure or hospitalization to include MEDICATIONS to the Medical Group. Members who refuse to comply with requests for medical information are considered medically unfit for continued military duty and are referred to their immediate commander for administrative discharge processing IAW AFI 36-3209. Documentation may be faxed to (508) 968-4061, emailed to MSgt Amy McNeill amy.t.mcneill2.mil@mail.mil or hand carried on Saturday mornings of each RSD.

#### CHIEFS COUNCIL CORNER

102nd Intelligence Wing Outdoor Recreation offers the area's best prices on boat, camper and trailer storage, with a secure on-base location to serve you. New customers are welcome now! Fees and charges are \$125.00 per calendar year. Please take a look at us, located inside the I-Gate next to Eagles Nest. We currently have nine slots open with plans to add additional spots this summer. E-mail Chief Walsh for terms and conditions at: michael.p.walsh6.mil@mail.mil or call 508-968-4380.

#### MASSACHUSETTS TUITION AND FEES WAIVER

Eligibility for the Massachusetts Tuition and Fees Waiver Certificate for state schools is determined by your status as a member of the 102nd Intelligence Wing. Members are eligible for the benefit the day they enlist or are appointed with the Massachusetts Air National Guard. The benefit may be used at any point during your membership with the 102nd IW. Contact the Base Training Office for more information at 508-968-4189

#### FREE SCHOLARSHIP MONEY

The National Guard Association of Massachusetts is offering five scholarships to Massachusetts National Guard members and their families. The application is easy, and the scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$4,000. If you would like an application or need more information, please contact Major Erik Anker via email or at x4512.

#### HONOR GUARD OPENINGS

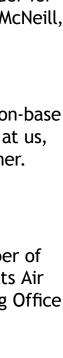
The 102 IW Honor Guard is seeking motivated airman of any rank to fill volunteer rolls in the Base Honor Guard. This is a rewarding opportunity that will allow you to show your dedication the Air Force and your strong military bearing. Honor Guard members are required to participate in a minimum of four details per year. These details include military funeral honors as well as wing and community colors events. While the Honor Guard would be glad to have you participate anytime of the month, if you can only participate on drill weekends that is acceptable as we are currently working on having at least 2 members from each squadron train to do retirements and special occasion events . Please stop by or call 968-4431 and see an Honor Guard member and inquire about this rewarding all volunteer force opportunity.

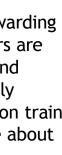
#### FIRST ANNUAL 102D INTELLIGENCE WING GOLF TOURNAMENT

Open to 102IW military, civilian, retirees, family and friends. Entry/registration fee is \$85 for enlisted, \$110 for officers, civilians and retirees. Includes greens fee, golf cart, driving range and dinner. Dinner only guests, \$30. Registration 1100-1300, shotgun start at 1300 (rain or shine). The Cape Cod Resort, 125 Falmouth Woods Rd., Falmouth Mass. Send checks payable to '102d Wing Fund' to LtCol Beth Crouch. Check your inbox for more details.













## **SEAGULL DEADLINES**

for issue	submit by
JANUARY	December 27, 2016
FEBRUARY	January 30, 2017
MARCH	February 16, 2017
APRIL	March 20, 2017
MAY	April 24, 2017
JUNE / JULY	May 22, 2017
AUGUST / SEPTEMBER	August 14, 2017
OCTOBER	October 2, 2017
NOVEMBER	October 23, 2017
DECEMBER	November 20, 2017

If you like to write and would like to submit a full article for publishing in the Seagull, we would be happy to take a look at it. Typically written stories are between 500-800 words and are formatted in the Associated Press (AP) format. Stories should have some relevance to the wing, its mission or its people. We reserve the right to review and edit your piece but will talk any edits over with you.

TELL US YOUR STORY IDEA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Got something to say that doesn't warrant a full article? Send us your announcements and we will include them in the appropriate section of the Seagull. Please limit your message to a short paragraph or less.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Did you capture some great shots while training on a cool piece of equipment at some obscure training site out in the woods? Maybe you went to a great going away luncheon or a promotion ceremony. Maybe you snapped a picture of you and your team working hard and building camradarie. Send us your shots! Public Affairs can't always be there but we still want to share those moments with the wing. For submissions just give us a few lines about what was going on, where the photo was taken, who is in it and who took the photo. We might be able to get them in the Around Otis section of the Seagull and possibly on our Facebook page.

CONTACT US

## SEAGULL SUBMISSIONS

The 102nd Intelligence Wing Public Affairs Office welcomes your feedback and submissions. Got a great story idea? Is your unit or shop doing something impressive? We welcome articles written by unit members on topics of interest to the wing and its personnel.

#### WRITTEN STORY SUBMISSIONS

If you aren't interested in writing your own story but would still like to call attention to someone or something great happening in the wing, contact wing PA. Give us some background details and we will take it from there!

Public Affairs can be reached at x4516 or x4697, via email at usaf.ma.102-iw.mbx.pa@mail.mil or by simply dropping by our office in Bldg 170.





**102<sup>nd</sup> INTELLIGENCE WING - MASSACHUSETTS AIR NATIONAL GUARD** 

#### MILITARY VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTEXPIRES: 30 Jun 2017DATED: 21 Apr 2017

THE FOLLOWING POSITION IS AVAILABLE IN THE MASSACHUSETTS AIR N GUARD. THIS IS A TRADITIONAL (DRILL STATUS) GUARDSMAN POSITIONAL ASSIGNMENT IN THE 102<sup>d</sup> INTELLIGENCE WING, AT OTIS ANG BASE, MA. ALL AND QUALIFIED APPLICANTS MUST BE ELIGIBLE FOR IMMEDIATE MEMBER EMPLOYMENT IN THE MASSACHUSETTS AIR NATIONAL GUARD.

**Submit completed application package to**: Preferred – email application to 102 IW Point of Contact Colonel David W. L. Bascom, at <u>david.w.bascom.mil@mail.mil</u> by 1600 hours **30 Jun 2017.** 

**POSITION TITLE**: Wing Plans NCOIC

GRADE: MSgt / E-7

AFSC: 1NXXX

**LOCATION**: 102 Intelligence Wing, Wing Plans

CLOSING DATE: 30 Jun 2017

LENGTH OF ASSIGNMENT: N/A

WHO MAY APPLY: Current MSgt E-7 or Qualified TSgt E-6, immediately promotable to E-7

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**: General overlapping duties: Reports directly to the Wing F Facilitates the planning process, integration of local, state, and HHQ plans. Wing Plans Administrat Plans NCOIC is the administrator of the Wing Plans SharePoint site. Duties include page creation, s maintenance, granting and revoking user administrative privileges for plan OPRs and OCRs, maintain Plans Review Calendar, and archiving of electronic plans. Knowledge and compliance with all Reco Management and AFRIMs programs in relation to Wing Plans. Prepares monthly status reports for V OIC of all Wing Base Plans in review and forecasts any Wing Plans coming up for review in the foll quarter. Advises plan OPRs/OCRs of upcoming plan review dates. Maintains emergency hardcopy Plans in event of catastrophic network failure. Maintains a list of plans the Wing requires. Responsi tracking the OPR formal review.

Other responsibilities as outlined in ANGI 10-400.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Candidate must fully comply with AFI 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appears Force Personnel; meet current fitness standards as outlined in AFI 36-2905, Fitness Program. Memb have written and oral communication skills, able to work long and irregular hours and be able to trave Specialty requires routine access to Top Secret material or similar environment. For award and reter 1N000 specialty, completion of a current Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI) according 501, Personnel Security Program Management is mandatory. Successful completion of a counter-interpolygraph test may be required.

	<u>APPLICATION AND CLOSING DATE</u> : Applicants will submit a cover letter with intent, resurpage limit), fitness assessment, a copy of their vMPF Records Review List (RIP), and a Letter of reference/recommendation. Lt Col Bascom will notify non-qualified applicants as soon as possible receipt. Personal or telephone interviews maybe required and applicants will be notified of the date/of the selection board. Applications can be emailed to: Lt Col Bascom at <u>david.w.bascom.mil@mail.m</u>	
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