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RED HORSE positions

A RED HORSE information briefing will be held on Saturday of June UTA. This briefing will provide general information about RED HORSE and some of the open positions. A ten minute video will be shown and representatives from each functional area will be present to answer questions. Total time: 15-30 minutes.

Please join us at 9 a.m. or 2 p.m. in the auditorium in Bldg. 235.

If you can't make it, you can watch the video on CCTV throughout the UTA.

Packed runway: Boise, Whiteman A-10s arrive at Willow Grove May 6 on their way to the AEF



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth A. Matulewicz



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"I don't care if you are going to war; if those socks are white I'm coming over this table and kicking your butt!"

Capt. Scott Harron
111th Operations Support Flight Intel Section

Did you know...

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- Obtaining CAC PIN resets
- Performing internet searches (like surfing around the AF Portal, Communities of Practice, or using search engines)
- Performing vMPF actions like awards & decs printouts and points reviews
- Viewing TSP and MyPay account information
- Initiating vPC/GR retirement applications
- Completing CBTs

The Cyber Café is staffed by qualified Help Desk personnel during UTAs and is located adjacent to the Computer Training classroom on the second floor of Bldg 320. For more information, call the Help Desk at: (215) 443-1679.



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Contact us:

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Command Chief insignia is pinned onto Chief Master Sgt. Richard Mertz by his wife Cheryl and son-in-law David Rider during a Change of Authority ceremony here May 3.

Senior Airman Raymond J. Branson, 111th Communications Flight, attaches transmit and receive cables to a satellite dish during training at the 175th Communications Squadron, Md. Air National Guard in Baltimore Apr. 19.

Staff Sgt. Nick Brydun (shown center) a medical technician with the 111th Medical Group, assists team members with stabilizing an "injured man" during Operation Red Rose III at the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center in Manheim, Pa. May 8.

111th FW public website has moved:

www.111fw.af.mil



So, what the heck is a cNAF?

By Col. Howard L. Eissler

111th Operations Group Commander

First, I'd like to say thank you to each and every member of the 111th Fighter Wing. I couldn't be more proud to be a member of this unit and I'm proud to work next to everyone here. If you're not proud of what this Wing has accomplished over the last couple of years, you need to step back and look what we have been through – and where we are going. It will make your head spin to sum up all that we have accomplished over the last couple of years. Operations and Maintenance are currently spinning up for their 5th AEF deployment since 9/11, the Wing has been through an ORI with another one on the horizon, multiple aircraft upgrades, Katrina, Jump Start, BRAC, mission change, etc. etc. etc... This unit has performed admirably in the past and I am confident we will excel in any mission we undertake in the future.

As of now, it looks like one of our main missions will be this thing called a cNAF. So what the heck is a cNAF? The term cNAF stands for "component Numbered Air Force" – it is an active duty term used to show how they are organizing forces – not a real descriptive name to what we are standing up in the Guard.

A better name is an Air Operations Group (AOG). This AOG will train and equip approximately 200 airmen that can be called up to support an Air and Space Operations Center (AOC). The Air Force has six standing AOCs, one for each regional combatant command to include CENTCOM, EUCOM, PACOM, NORTHCOM, SOUTHCOM, and now AFRICOM. The plan now has our unit aligned with PACOM (Pacific Command).

An AOC is the Joint Forces Air Component Commander's (JFACC) headquarters for running the air war. It gives the Commander the capability to supervise and manage the activities of forces and to monitor the actions of both friendly and enemy forces. In simple terms, the AOC's job is to produce daily air tasking orders (ATOs) to direct assets, execute these daily orders, and then to evaluate their effects for input into the next day's plan. Big Air Force's vision is to have these six regional AOCs manned at a level to support standard day-to-day operations. During any crisis,

be it natural disaster, man-made disaster, or an enduring conflict like the one in the CENTCOM AOR, these AOCs will surge to meet demand.

That's where we will come in. During these "surge" operations, our unit will be called up to supply manpower to the regional AOC. As of now, the concept of operations is to have our cNAF deploy to the standing AOC and perform duties on site – in our case Hawaii. With future technologies expected to come on-line, the vision is that we will be able to execute our mission from home station. We will be able to pick up tasks assigned from the regional AOC, work the ATO cycle right here at home, and then interject our inputs directly into the ATO cycle in the theater of operation.

I like to think of this move as of one from a blue-collar job to a white-collar job. Instead of flying the airplanes, we are managing the crews. Instead of turning wrenches, we are managing the details that go into getting the fleet off the ground. Instead of building the bombs, we are matching bombs to targets. Of course, there are never as many management jobs as there are worker jobs, so we will be downsizing. The most current manning document for the cNAF has the follow breakdown:

194 MILITARY POSITIONS

44 Fulltime 150 Traditional

ENLISTED

4 AGR 18 Tech 86 Traditional

OFFICER

6 AGR 16 Tech 64 Traditional

The positions are rank heavy; enlisted positions range from SSgt to CMSgt (GS-09 to GS-11). The officer positions range from Maj to Col (GS-11 to GS-14).

Within the enlisted corps, there are quite a few specialty codes to include: Inflight Refueling, Flight Engineer, Loadmaster, Operations Resource Management, Air Traffic Control, Command Post, Tactical Air Command & Control, Aerospace Control & Warning Systems, Intelligence Applications, Germanic Crypto Linguist, Signals Intelligence Analyst, Aerospace



Col. Howard L. Eissler

Maintenance, Ground Radar Systems, Ground Radio Communications, Electronic Computer & Switching Systems, Supply Management, Air Transportation, Information Management, Communications/Computer Systems Operations, Communications/Computer Systems Control, Communications/Computer Systems Planning & Implementation, Personnel, Medical Service, and First Sergeant.

A majority of the officer positions are rated positions. Unlike in a flying squadron, we will not be able to train an officer to become rated. You will have to hold a rated AFSC to be eligible for one of these positions in cNAF. Some of the non-rated officer positions are Intelligence, Airfield Operations, Space & Missile, Operations Staff Officer, Logistics Readiness, Communications & Information, Flight Nurse, Health Services Administration, Judge Advocate, and Scientist.

Big changes are coming – but not all change is bad. I have been flying in the Air Force for the last 20+ years and that is my comfort zone. This change is a difficult one to accept, but the more I research the mission and talk to people in the job today, the more I get excited about the cNAF. There are great opportunities for many of us in the unit to be a part of the cNAF, RED HORSE, or the Wing but it will take some retraining. I encourage everyone to start looking into the available jobs that are coming our way and prepare yourselves. I am by no means an expert on a cNAF (yet) nor am I an expert on the various AFSCs that make up a cNAF, but if you have any questions, please stop by and I'll do my best to answer them. I haven't given up on the great efforts of Col Comtois up through the Governor to get us a flying mission, but in the mean time, I am getting myself ready for a cNAF.

Human Factors Engineering, the Dirty Dozen and Pa. Air National Guard

By Chief Master Sgt. Ralph C. Braden
Pa. State Command Chief

What is Human Factors Engineering? Human Factors Engineering is the name of an engineering profession that focuses on how people interact with each other, their organization, and the machines they operate. Often, Human Factors engineers study the human within the systems in which they work to ensure that the limitations of the individual are understood.

Human Factors engineers evaluate the following interactions:

1. Human to Human
2. Human to Group
3. Human to Organization
4. Human to Machine

Human Factors engineers study these interactions to better understand the interactions and to develop improved processes and frameworks for their interrelations.

During my tenure as a Quality Assurance Inspector at the 171st ARW, I was part of a team that taught a Human Factors in Aviation Maintenance class. The Dirty Dozen were a major portion of the class material. Being aware of the Dirty Dozen can save your life, the life of a coworker, the life of a friend, or the life of a loved one.

What are the Dirty Dozen? The Dirty Dozen are the twelve major causal factors of errors in Aviation Maintenance. I suggest that they apply in any environment. The Dirty Dozen are listed below:

1. Lack of communication
2. Complacency
3. Lack of knowledge
4. Distraction
5. Lack of teamwork
6. Fatigue
7. Lack of resources
8. Pressure
9. Lack of assertiveness
10. Stress
11. Lack of awareness
12. Norms

Again, the Dirty Dozen are twelve error causal factors that apply to all aspects of life. These causal factors may be mitigated by using safety nets. Safety nets are things you can do or processes you can put in place that help you avoid making errors.

The consequences of errors vary widely. Errors may be minor in nature having

little effect or they may be major errors resulting in damage to equipment, injury to personnel, or in the worst case, loss of life.

We as members of the Pennsylvania National Guard must to do our part to minimize errors, thus reducing the occurrence of accidents. By reducing the occurrence of accidents, we ensure that we have the full resources to accomplish our mission. We need every precious resource we have in order for us to fight and win the Global War on Terror.

Knowledge of the Dirty Dozen can help reduce errors and the occurrence of accidents.

To learn more about Human Factors and the Dirty Dozen visit the two following websites:



CCMSgt Ralph C. Braden

www.system-safety.com/safetyworkshops/HPIM%20-%20Part%201.htm

www.hf.faa.gov/Webtraining/index.htm



Photo by Master Sgt. Patrick Cashin

Command Chief Mertz congratulates newest Chief

Newly selected Command Chief Master Sgt. Richard Mertz congratulates Senior Master Sgt. Edward M. Di Maio Jr., 201st RED HORSE Sq. Det. 1, on his promotion to chief master sergeant on May 4.

Statewide News: View newsletters of our sister units:

193rd Special Operations Wing "The Scope" www.paharr.ang.af.mil
(Features links to Pa. Guardians & Airman Magazine)

171st Air Refueling Wing "Tanker Times"
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Being Prepared

By Chief Master Sgt. Glenn Leusink
111th Security Forces Squadron

Several weeks ago, 111th FW members had an opportunity to observe and participate in the forward Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at Red Rose III, a Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) exercise near Lancaster which included both civilian and military personnel from various agencies. During this exercise, it was quite a sight to observe all the different agencies working together towards a common goal.

As most of you know, the 111th is going to play a more active role in the state mission. We will be called on to respond to storms, natural disasters and other crises within the state as part of the Northeast Task Force of PEMA. With this additional requirement on top of the increased ops tempo of worldwide deployments, it's

more important than ever to be prepared to deploy at a moment's notice. Storms and natural disasters strike quickly and are unpredictable.

The following is a short checklist of items that will help you be prepared:

- Keep important documents in a small lock box that can be taken with you in the event of an evacuation.
- Know where neighborhood shelters are if you have to move your family.
- Keep enough provisions and bottled water in the house to sustain you and your family for at least three days; assume there is no power.
- Maintain generators (if you own one) for use at a moment's notice.
- Talk with family and neighbors to develop a plan of action in the event disaster strikes your neighborhood.

The time to plan is before disaster strikes.

- Flashlights with extra batteries

These are just a few items; there are many more that can be included. As an ANG member we need to be prepared and ready to respond at any time; be ready.



CMSgt Glenn R. Leusink



Photo by Capt. Christine Munch

Emergency response of military, civilian agencies tested at Operation 'Red Rose III'

Members of the 111th FW participate in Operation Red Rose III at the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center in Manheim, Pa. May 5-10. Red Rose III is a multi-disciplinary National Guard exercise where military command and control, search and rescue, decontamination and medical personnel work side-by-side with civilian emergency medical services, fire and law enforcement at an incident site.

Are you flying to your next TDY destination?

First, call AirTrak to make your commercial airline reservations at (609) 723-1322 or (800) 723-0339.

Second, email a copy of your orders to TMO (names below) NLT 10 days prior to departure date.

If you don't do this, there won't be a ticket in the system when you arrive at the airport even though you made your reservations through AirTrak.

The bottom line:

It is the individual's responsibility to confirm their travel reservations.

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Serving around the world and in our community

By Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth Matulewicz
111th FW Public Affairs



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Alvin Farrow

111th Communications Flight gears up for emergency response exercise 'Red Rose III'

Several members of the 111th Communications Flight trained on a Joint Incident Site Communication Capability (JISCC) equipment package with the 175th Communications Squadron, Md. Air National Guard in Baltimore on Apr. 17-19.

Guardsmen unpacked, inventoried, set-up and operated the communications equipment in preparation for Red Rose III, a weapons of mass destruction response exercise held the following month near Lancaster in Manheim, Pa. A JISCC provides mobile communications capabilities at an incident site in the event of a natural disaster or a chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear occurrence.



201st RED HORSE Sq. Det. 1 guardsmen graduate Explosives and Demolition Course

Three members of the 201st RED HORSE Squadron, Det. 1 graduate from the USAF RED HORSE Explosives & Demolition Course at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. Mar. 21. The 2-wk course is hosted by the 820th RED HORSE Squadron. Team members attending the training were Maj. John Pace, Senior Airman Michael Nice and Senior Airman Silmer Carmona. They are shown wiring a charge prior to detonation.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth A. Matulewicz

Flight simulator promotes Air Force Week Philadelphia, draws interested bystanders

Several 111th recruiters gave the general public a chance to fly in a flight simulator at the Warrington Crossing 22 Regal Theater here May 28. The event is one of several happening in the area this week, promoting Air Force Week Philadelphia. The next day, the recruiters appeared at Geno's Steaks, in South Philadelphia.



Guardsmen attend Armed Forces Day luncheon hosted by the Union League

As part of Armed Forces Day, Pa. Army and Air National Guardsmen were guests for a luncheon hosted by the Union League May 14 in downtown Philadelphia, Pa. The Union League is a patriotic society founded in 1862 to support the policies of President Abraham Lincoln. As a private establishment, the Union League has hosted presidents, heads of states, industrialists, entertainers and visiting dignitaries from around the world.

Photo by Master Sgt. Richard Egges



Watson brothers honored at Boy Scout dinner

SSgt Kevin M. Watson, a firefighter with 111th Mission Support Group, was asked to be the guest speaker at a Eagle Scout Court of Honor where his brother, Airman 1st Class Steven R. Watson, 270th Engineering Installation Sq. received his eagle scout award on May 10.



Volunteers remove trash, beautify local parks

111th FW members and their families partnered with Horsham Township on May 3 to remove trash and debris from Samuel Carpenter Park outside Willow Grove ARS, Pa. They joined other guard units statewide as a part of The Great PA Cleanup, a community service day dedicated to cleaning up the environment and local community.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth A. Matulewicz

111th FW Honor Guard shines at Bridesburg Memorial Day parade

Members of the 111th FW Honor Guard supported a variety of events over the Memorial Day weekend to include a Memorial Day parade in the Bridesburg section of Philadelphia May 26. The parade was one of several events that kicked off Air Force Week in Philadelphia.

Shown are Senior Master Sgt. William Diaz, 201st RED HORSE Sq. Det. 1, Tech. Sgt. Anthony F. Kearse, 111th Maintenance Group and Tech. Sgt. Alexander E. Sutherland, 111th Maintenance Operations Flight.



Maj. Angel Burris, a nurse, and Maj. Michael Morgenstern, a physician's assistant, both of the 111th Medical Group, bandage an "injured" civilian during Operation Red Rose III May 8.

Medical element of CERFP treats injured, validated during Operation 'Red Rose III'

Story and photos by Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth Matulewicz
111th FW Public Affairs

Doctors, physician's assistants, nurses and medical technicians with the 111th Medical Group underwent an inspection and received Chemical, Biological, Radiological/Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) - Enhanced Responsive Force Package (CERFP) validation during Operation Red Rose III at the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center in Manheim, Pa. May 5-10.

As members of the National Guard CERFP Medical Element, they provide emergency medical treatment during a CBRNE response mission at the incident site. After a casualty is decontaminated, team members identify injuries and provide medical treatment to stabilize an injured person prior to transport to a civilian medical facility.

Peake selects "Washington Crossing" as new VA National Cemetery Name *VA purchases land for new Pennsylvania National Cemetery* Courtesy of Department of Veterans Affairs

Dr. James B. Peake, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, selected "Washington Crossing VA National Cemetery" as the name of the new cemetery to be built on a 205-acre site in Bucks County, Pa., near Washington Crossing Historic Park.

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has purchased the cemetery site from Dolington Land, LP, a subsidiary of real estate developer Toll Brothers, Inc., for \$10.5 million.

"This historic area is an ideal setting in which to build a cemetery – a timeless field of honor for the veterans in the Southeastern Pennsylvania area," said Peake. "The name will reflect the service and sacrifices our veterans have made for their country for centuries."

Air Force Fitness "In Training" program helps runners achieve goals

Courtesy of Randolph AFB, Texas

Air Force Fitness has a new program that may improve Airmen's running goals. The "In Training" program, accessible from the Air Force Fitness Web site, www.usafsports.com, has guides for runners of all fitness levels.

New runners can learn how easy it is to get started and all runners have access to the Air Force running doctor, tips, training schedules and an easy-to-use tracking system on a dedicated tracking site. The tracking system acts as a virtual coach, logging distances and allowing runners to see how they compare to others using this new on-line community.

"In a partnership with several corporate sponsors, we are dedicated to growing runners in the Air Force community, military and civilians alike", said Margaret Treland, Air Force Fitness chief. "We know there are people who are interested in running but for one reason or another just haven't gotten started. This program will be a way for people to meet other runners in their area and track their progress on line."

The training regimen is designed to help a person train, regardless of their initial skill-level, for the U.S. Air Force Marathon scheduled for Sept. 20 in Dayton, Ohio. The tracking program is the first of its kind to be associated with a sanctioned marathon. However, runners can apply the same training tips and regimens to local runs or marathons.

With the purchase finalized, the cemetery master plan is under development and the first phase of construction, including an early burial area, is planned to begin in early 2009. When complete, the first phase will consist of approximately 60 acres and will include facilities necessary to provide burials for approximately 10 years.

Burials at the new national cemetery, which will serve more than 580,000 veterans and their families who live in the area, are anticipated to begin in 2009. Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, the nearest open national cemetery in Pennsylvania, is 120 miles from the site.

More than 3.3 million Americans, including veterans of every war and conflict -- from the Revolutionary War to the current Global War on Terror -- are buried in VA's national cemeteries.

Preparing for deployment: Are your legal affairs in order?

By Lt. Col. Michael Newman
111th FW Legal Office

Deployments present many challenges and raise many questions. For example, what are you going to do about your children? How will your family sell or purchase a car if your name is on the title and you are thousands of miles away? How are other bills going to be paid? Do you need a will? Finding answers to these and other questions prior to leaving United States soil will minimize the stress of mobilizing.

One legal document that addresses many potential problems is a power of attorney. A power of attorney gives someone the authority to act on your behalf and sign documents and perform acts in your name. You must be careful in granting such broad power to another person, but this is a necessary risk when you are far from home and have limited ability to manage your affairs. There are different types of powers of attorney, therefore, you should discuss your options with a JAG or paralegal before you decide which type to choose.

A will is another critical document for deploying members. All of us (whether single with limited assets, or married with a larger estate) benefit from having a will. A will allows you to decide how to divide your assets (estate) and addresses many other important concerns such as deciding the representative of your estate (executor) and the caretaker of your children (guardian). In the absence of a will, the state will make these decisions: a much lengthier and costlier process. The individuals they select may not be your top choices for these important roles!

Children of military members are sometimes overlooked in the last minute planning. A sudden loss of one or both parents (even when it is only temporary) can be very traumatic. The proper plan and correct legal documents can ease the transition. Do you have a dependent care plan as required by AFI 36-2906 and AFI 36-2908 for single troops or troops married to another military member? Who are your children going to stay with if you are sent on a short notice deployment? This question

is especially important if both parents are military members. Do the caretakers need a power of attorney to enroll the children in school or to allow for medical care? If the long term caretakers are not in the immediate area, do you have a power of attorney to allow someone else to care for the children until they can get there?

You should also ask: who is going to pay your bills while you are working in the desert? If you are married, your spouse can pay the bills if he or she has access to your bank accounts (i.e. a "joint account"). If you want someone else to pay your bills, he or she will need access to your money. While a power of attorney may suffice, another option may be to simply add their name to your account. Consider paying as many bills as possible electronically by allotment or by automatic withdrawal from your checking or savings account.

Consider your housing arrangement. Do you need to move out of your rental unit before the deployment? Does your lease contain a military clause? A military clause may allow you to break a lease on short notice if you have long-term TDY orders. If you are not sure, an attorney should review your lease. If you do not have a military clause, you will have to negotiate an alternative arrangement with your landlord. Most are willing to cooperate. Are you going to keep your rental unit? If so, who is going to take care of it for you? If the caretaker is going to live in the apartment, ensure that the landlord knows about the situation. If your spouse is staying in

the rental unit, does he or she have authority to act for you (hint: power of attorney)? In most situations this does not become a problem, nevertheless, you should ensure your spouse's name is on the lease.

Some other things to consider....are you going to store your possessions and furniture? If so, do not forget about insurance. If you no longer have your furniture in a home or apartment, your homeowner's or renter's insurance probably doesn't cover the property anymore. Disconnect your utilities? Cancel the paper? What about cable? Remember that for many utilities there is a substantial charge to reconnect that may consume any savings gained by canceling. Forward your mail?

Not all of your potential problems can be solved through a single legal document. What about life insurance, an important part of estate planning? Are the beneficiaries you originally listed on your SGLI still the individuals you wish to receive the proceeds if you die? The same applies to any private insurance policies. Don't forget to ensure that you continue to pay the premiums for these policies.

It is clear there are many issues to wrestle with while deploying, therefore, proper foresight and planning are key. If you need a will or power of attorney, or have any other legal questions regarding your deployment, you should visit the 111th Legal Office (Room 236 on the second floor of Bldg. 203) during a drill weekend and meet with a JAG. You can also reach us at (215) 443-1858.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth A. Matulewicz

AEF deployment July 8, 2007

FAMILY READINESS GROUP NEWS

By Jean Moretti

Wing Family Program Coordinator

Thank you FRG volunteers!

The FRG volunteers (shown to the right) were recognized May 4 for their dedication and hard work to the 111th FW members and their families. Thank you for another year of service and continued support. You're the best!

The next FRG meeting will be held on Sunday, June 8 at 2 p.m. in Bldg. 203, Room 107. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jean Moretti, 111th FW Family Program Coordinator at (215) 443-1409 or email: jean.moretti@pawill.af.mil.



Bake Sale Fundraiser Jun. 8

The FRG will hold a bake sale on Sunday, Jun. 8 in the lobby of Bldg. 203 from 8-11 a.m. Coffee, donuts, pastries and other home-baked goods will be available for purchase.

Education Series Guest Speakers

A special thanks to our guest speaker Army CSM (Ret.) Benjamin Jacobs, Jr. (shown right) for his briefing on finan-

cial management. The workshop covered the aspects of personal finances and was enlightening.



Summer Camp Slots Available

Carson-Simpson Farm Day Camp in Hatboro, Pa. offers nine coed slots for a one week session, 3 years to 6th grade. Camp website: www.csfarm.org.

Resident Camp Westminster Highlands in Emlenton, Pa. offers one coed slot, age 8-17; Jun. 29- Aug. 2. Camp website: www.capnwp.org.

Camp Curiosity is offering a one week slot for boys and girls in grades 2-6. For date availability, contact Ellen Thomas at: (215) 348-7221. For more information, contact Jean Moretti at: (215) 443-1409. Camp website: www.campcuriosity.com.

Wing launches new public website

By Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth A. Matulewicz
111th FW Public Affairs Office

The 111th FW launched a new public website May 23, with a look and feel similar to that of over 200 Air National Guard and Air Force sites currently supported by the Air Force Public Web (AFPW) program.

The move to the AFPW network was driven for a variety of reasons. The most significant: a 2002 Department of Defense Inspector General audit finding hundreds of Air Force websites with varied appearance and design publishing irrelevant, unapproved, unsuitable information. They also found rogue unit websites that did not fall under the military umbrella but represented themselves as such.

The responsibility for the wing's public website now falls under Public Affairs. They assess the need, requirement and suitability of all information prior to posting on the public website. Public Affairs administers user accounts and assume responsibility for authoring, editing and reviewing, approving and releasing web content and media for their respective sites.



PROMOTIONS

To Senior Master Sergeant

Timothy A. Gower 201st RHS

To Master Sergeant

Christa L. Stine 111th FW

To Technical Sergeant

Neal O. Durham 111th SVF
Andre K. Ligon 111th MDG

To Senior Airman

Ronald Carter 111th SVF
Terrance R. Graham Jr. 111th SVF
Danielle K. Heidrick 111th SVF

RETIREMENTS

103rd Fighter Squadron

Lt. Col. Patrick S. Foley 26 years

111th Fighter Wing

CMSgt Michael W. Vasta 31 years

111th Medical Group

Lt. Col. Adriane C. Stasurak 22 years

270th Engineering Installation Sq.

TSgt Steven J. McCaffrey 23 years

REENLISTMENTS

CMSgt Peter A. Santanello	111th MXG
SMSgt Polly A. Rice	111th LRS
MSgt Mark L. Copenhaver	111th MXS
MSgt Michael F. DiBattista	270th EIS
TSgt James Tillery Sr.	111th LRS
TSgt Kenneth Urbach	111th MXS
SSgt Norman E. Bauer Jr.	111th MXS
SSgt Charlie Y. Lau	270th EIS
SSgt Joseph S. Runewicz Jr.	111th AMXS
SSgt Christopher S. Swisher	270th EIS
SSgt Jordan C. Wilson	111th MXS

EXTENSIONS

CMSgt David C. Smith	111th MDG
SSgt Harold Jackson	111th FW
SSgt Todd B. Reichel	111th MXS

ENLISTMENTS

MSgt John L. Jones	111th CF
SrA Kyle M. Kennedy	111th SFS
SrA Andrew C. Langley	111th MDG
A1C Christopher Andrews	111th MXS
A1C Richard A. Lecato	270th EIS
A1C Courtney J. Lupinski	111th SFS
A1C Shanna B. Rissmiller	270th EIS
A1C Andrew M. Taylor	201st RHS
A1C Tyler L. Watson	201st RHS

ACCESSIONS

Capt Rami Mizrahi	111th MDG
1Lt Lydia Rohart	201st RHS



Photo by Master Sgt. Patrick Cashin

Mertz named new Wing Command Chief at Change of Authority ceremony

By Tech. Sgt. Elisabeth A. Matulewicz
111th FW Public Affairs Office

Chief Master Sgt. Richard Mertz, 111th Operations Support Flight, accepted the position of Wing Command Chief from CCMSgt Michael Vasta in a Change of Authority ceremony on May 3.

Command Chief rank was pinned onto Chief Mertz by his wife Cheryl and son-in-law David Rider as his daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren and family looked on. After the ceremony, everyone enjoyed cake and refreshments at the HogPen in the Operations building.

The Command Chief is the top enlisted person in the wing and serves as an advisor to the wing commander and senior staff on all enlisted matters. He serves on a variety of committees, councils and boards at military and civilian functions.



Photo by Master Sgt. Patrick Cashin

UTA MENU (AT PITCAIRN CLUB)

Sat. June 7

Pepper steak, chicken teriyaki
White rice, broccoli, egg rolls
Dinner rolls and butter,
Salad bar, Assorted desserts

Sun. June 8

Nut-crusted tilapia, top round roast beef
Mashed potatoes, steamed vegetables
Dinner rolls and butter,
Salad bar, Assorted desserts

JUNE UTA WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Protestant Service will be held
at 8:30 a.m. in Bldg. 320 Room 228.
An additional Protestant Service will
be held at 10:30 a.m. in Bldg. 203
Room 203.

Catholic Service will be held at
10:00 in Bldg. 203 HQ Auditorium.

The Chaplain's Office is located
in Bldg. 203, Room 204-205 on the
second floor and can be reached at
(215) 443-1534.

FY08 UTAs:

7-8 June 2008
12-13 July 2008
16-17 August 2008
6-7 September 2008

FY09 UTAs:

4-5 October 2008
1-2 November 2008
6-7 December 2008
10-11 January 2009
7-8 February 2009
7-8 March 2009
4-5 April 2009
16-17 May 2009
(Armed Forces Day)
6-7 June 2009
11-12 July 2009
1-2 August 2009
12-13 September 2009

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**Tues, Thurs, Fri
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Wed & Sat 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**



Comcast SportsNet's Fan Friday features deployed guardsman

While Staff Sgt. Finney M. Philip, 111th LRS, was deployed to Manas Air Base, Kyrgyzstan earlier this year, he sent a photo of himself with two other ANG troops holding a Donovan McNabb jersey to Comcast SportsNet's Fan Friday. They featured it on their website on Apr. 11.

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