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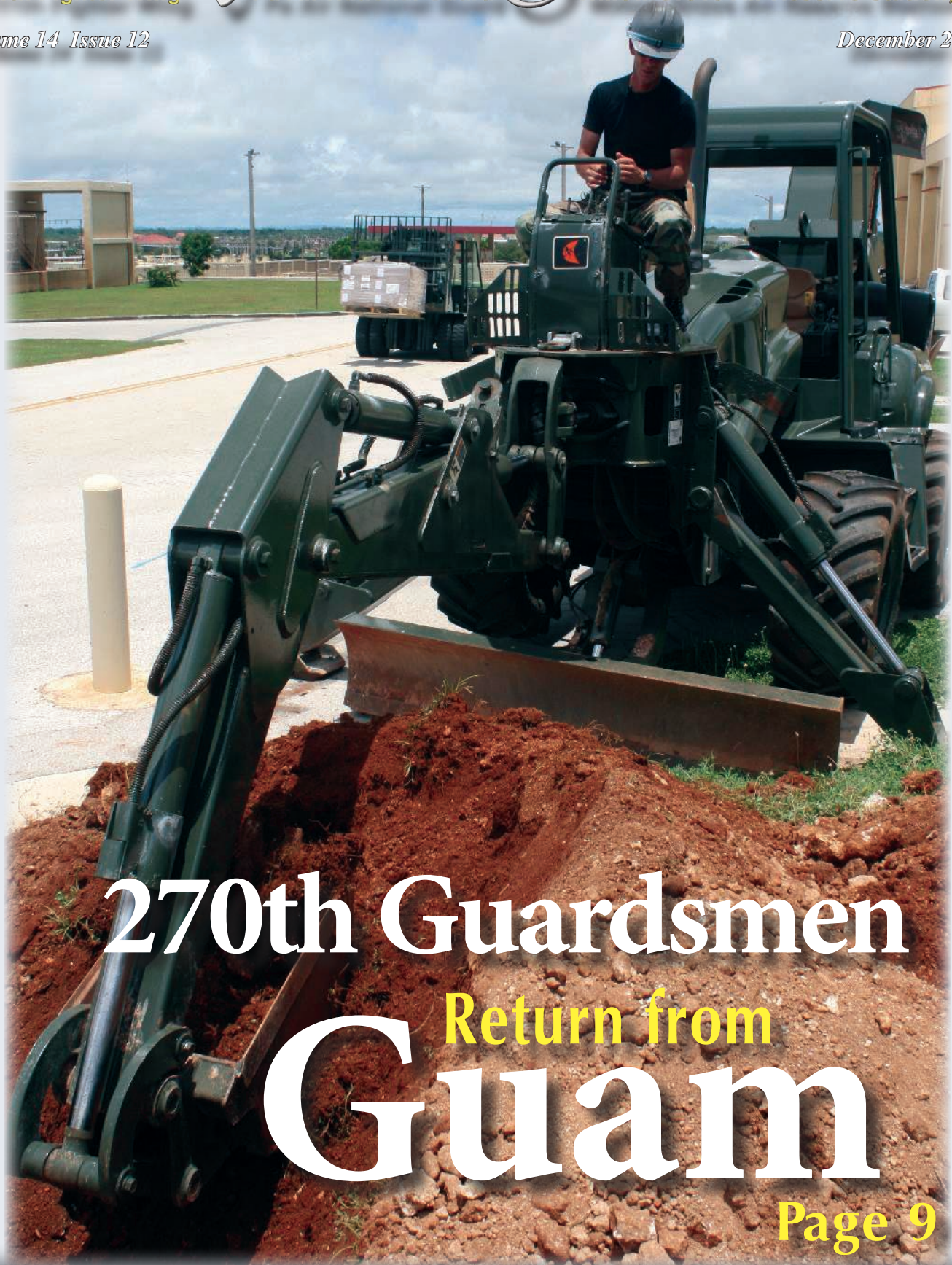
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Master Sgt. Mike DiBattista, 270th EIS, operates a backhoe onsite in Guam.

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Mobilization 2009

By Lt. Col. Don Landis
111th Security Forces Squadron Commander

By the time you read this article, a significant portion of the 111th Security Forces Squadron will have received their involuntary mobilization orders for one year to support the Iraq and Afghanistan fronts. The men and women will initially deploy to an austere CONUS spin up site to fine tune their Air Base Ground Defense skills and theater-specific requirements.

Unlike most Air Force personnel, the Security Forces are in a two and one cycle, meaning every third year a Security Forces member will again be mobilized for another year. This is a significant challenge and task that we ask of our men and women, and one that we take seriously. I can only describe the honor it is to serve with such a committed group of individuals that untiringly meets the rigors of their civilian positions, careers and families, and yet, can continually meet the needs of the nation.

The Security Forces as a whole are a special breed or character of Airmen within the Air Force. They're a tight network that takes care of their personnel from the day they enter the career field, through their career, and into retirement. They even host their own museum at Lackland Air Force Base, which depicts the Security Forces history dating back

to the birth of the Air Force. Security Forces deployments are a fact of life and a time to build on the military experience. A lot of camaraderie is experienced and felt, and yes, a lot of memories are made of friends and places seen and worked.

As the Security Forces deploy again, I am reminded how crucial individual preparedness remains to the successful outcome of any deployment. You have probably heard this a thousand times and rightly so: your readiness has a direct affect on mission accomplishment.

I ask that you remember them and their brethren in your daily lives, for these individuals and those like them are the reason we can live with a sense of security here in America. They are a part of a greater mission that America has embarked on. As we need them, they too also need us to continually support them and their families.



Lt. Col. Don Landis

From the First Sergeant: Looking back at 'old school' military

By Master Sgt. Derrick Dash
111th Logistics Readiness Squadron

I was pondering what subject might be of interest to touch on for this article. In talking with friends and co-workers, many use the term "back in the day" or "old school." Old school is a term used by those now eligible for retirement that joined the military a long time ago (1980s or earlier). This took me back to August 1986 when I first joined the Air Force and how different some things were. I smile, yet cringe, to know that some of you weren't even born yet! To many in the Pennsylvania Air National Guard, I'm considered a baby.

One of the most obvious differences back then was our uniforms. I was issued green fatigues in basic

training. I loved my fatigues. You could cut the sleeves short and crop the bottom of the shirt versus tuck it in. You could also taper the pants and you had the option to wear your low quarters or boots. They were easy to maintain—a wash and wear uniform—although most went the extra mile to get a nice crease in the shirt and pants. In the past 23 years, our utility uniform has evolved from fatigues to BDUs and now to ABUs. Not only that, the stripes evolved too by adding the middle star for junior Airmen and revamping the top rockers for senior NCOs. Now, we have a physical training (PT) uniform and program in place to promote year-round fitness and a healthy lifestyle.

Technology has made significant strides over

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CCM Perspective: Air Force Association-ANG Council

**By Command Chief Master Sgt. Ralph Braden
Pennsylvania Command Chief**

A few months ago, all Air National Guard State Command Chiefs were asked to nominate outstanding senior noncommissioned officers who were interested in serving on the Air Force Association – Air National Guard Council. Our nominees were forwarded to the Command Chief Master Sergeant of the Air National Guard and then on to the Air Force Association (AFA) selection board.

I am proud to say that one of our state's outstanding Airmen was selected to serve on the AFA Air National Guard Council. Senior Master Sgt. John Lyon of the 111th Fighter Wing is one of the two enlisted representatives to the AFA Air National Guard Council. Sergeant Lyon is looking forward to representing our Air National Guard as a member of this council and I am positive that he will serve us well.

Below is some information about the AFA and AFA Air National Guard Council that Sergeant Lyon asked me to pass along to you. He is looking forward to hearing from you and serving the Air National Guard as a member of the AFA Air National Guard Council.

Sergeant Lyon would like to hear your input and the issues that you face as members of the Air National Guard. All input to Sergeant Lyon must be sent to 111th Fighter Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant Richard Mertz who will forward your input to Sergeant Lyon. Send your input via e-mail, preferably in a word document with as much information as possible concerning the issue you would like addressed by the AFA Air National Guard Council. At a minimum include your name, unit and installation, and a telephone number in case additional information is required.

The AFA has several councils to help them research issues that are relevant to the betterment of the Air Force. The responsibilities of the Air National Guard Council are as follows:

- Develops Air Force policy recommendations on quality of life and quality of service issues which impact Air National Guard members.
- Identifies and prioritizes quality of life and quality of service issues, driven by legislative action, which impact Air National Guard members.
- Prepares input, to include background information, and recommends action by the Air National Guard on these issues.



CCMSgt Ralph C. Braden

- Makes recommendations to the Air National Guard on policy issues which impact Air National Guard members.
- Responds to Air National Guard requests for study, evaluation, and/or recommendation on issues affecting Air National Guard members.
- Performs other duties as may be assigned by the Air National Guard.

Here are some examples of issues that the ANG Council has addressed in the recent past:

- Funding the ANG Yellow Ribbon program
- Technical schools and PCS issues as it relates to ANG Airmen
- Debt repayment
- ANG homeland defense and security consideration

The Air Force Association is an independent, nonprofit, civilian education organization promoting public understanding of aerospace power and the pivotal role it plays in the security of the nation. AFA publishes Air Force Magazine, presents scholarships and grants to Air Force active duty, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve members and their dependents. The AFA is one of the professional military associations that work in support of the Air National Guard.

I would ask you to visit www.afa.org and consider joining this remarkable organization that works so hard on our behalf.

Wing members gather to honor outgoing commander

By Staff Sgt. Julie Parker

111th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Family and friends gathered to honor Colonel Paul W. Comtois and the legacy he leaves behind as the former 111th Fighter Wing commander during a retirement dinner held Nov. 7 at the exclusive Presidential Caterers in East Norriton, Pa.

Col. Comtois officially retired from the Pennsylvania Air National Guard July 28, after a 23-year career that he says gave him the opportunity to “do it all.”

At the dinner, he was presented the Legion of Merit and the Pennsylvania Distinguished Service Medal by Major Gen. Stephen Sischo, Assistant Adjutant General for Air, Pennsylvania Air National Guard, before being promoted to the honorary rank of brigadier general. Several letters from Pennsylvania legislature, including U.S. Rep. Pat Murphy and Sen. Arlen Specter were read, but all seemed to convey the same message – Col. Comtois is a pace-setter, a role model and a champion for change.

After a career that took him from a student pilot in 1986 to a A-10 fighter pilot, Col. Comtois took command of the 111th Fighter Wing in 2006 at a time of great turmoil and unknowns. In 2005, the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission announced the Willow Grove Joint Reserve Base would be closing and the 111th Fighter Wing would be deactivated and many would be left scrambling for jobs.

“If it wasn’t for him, we would not be here today,” expressed Col. Tony Carrelli, current 111th Fighter Wing commander. “He was a main architect in saving our unit, and those are some tough shoes to fill.”

Since the BRAC announcement four years

ago, Col. Comtois set forth on a mission to keep the 111th Fighter Wing activated and in the air. Engaged with the governor of Pennsylvania and members of state legislature, the colonel stood up against the BRAC Commission. As a result of his efforts, the original decision was rescinded. Reversing the Department of Defense’s decision to deactivate the unit, more than 1,000 jobs were saved.

“Upon assuming command of the unit, I knew Paul to be compassionate with great vision. I knew he would do great things, but he exceeded all expectations,” said Gen. Sischo, who was Col. Comtois’ predecessor as the wing commander. “He jumped in and put in his all.” In a message to his fellow Guardsmen, Col. Comtois explained that his character and leadership was a testament to the way he was raised.

“Looking back over the past year – it all comes down to one thing. Coming from a large family, all I longed to do was be part of a team, and my team’s gotta win,” he said with a smile.

Reflecting back on his career and love for aviation, he explained that the lows and highs of his career shaped him to become the leader he is today.

“In 1989, I ejected from an F-16 during a night flying mission,” he said. “I can still remember that scene and the paralyzing fear afterwards.

“Through that, I realized that the world is interesting ... and it won’t stop. I had to work through it and reinvent myself. Looking back, I’ve seen the darkest and the lightest – and it’s been good and it’s been bad but, through it all, it’s been real,” he added.

Photos of this and other recent events can be found at Y:\111fw Shared\Photos.

He looked at his people as more than workers but as people.

—Chief Master Sgt. Alice Jenkins

He’s always been straightforward and honest. He became a leader through his ambition.

— Mr. Will Comtois, father

‘I can get it from here dudes’... That’s all I’m going to say.

—Col. Skip Eissler



A true leader is someone who has the ability to inspire even in the face of adversity.

—Master Sgt. John Hoke

He’s intense as a leader like he is on the basketball court ... just ask my ribs.

—Capt. Aaron Shick

To the Men and Women of the 111th Fighter Wing:

Well, what can I say; this is my final “official” duty as a member of the 111th Fighter Wing and as a member of the military. All good things must come to an end, and although the way my career ended was not really how I imagined it, I am extremely grateful for the many opportunities I had over the course of the last 23 years—more than half of that with the 111th!

I really wanted to take the time to thank all of you because you gave me so much drive, especially during some very difficult times. As I reflected on my career, I could only think wow,” did I really get to do all of those things? I was able to go around the world and whether it was a dingy tent in Afghanistan or a 5-star hotel in Thailand, each experience was priceless (and I can say, my favorite deployments were Kuwait in ‘95 and Afghanistan in ‘02-‘03 because they were tough environments but of utmost importance).

For those new to the military, understand the opportunity you have. The last thing you are probably thinking about right now is doing 20 years, but as the saying goes, the days are long and the years are short. The experiences you will have are worth the many sacrifices you and your family (and your employer...sounds like a War College paper I wrote) must make. All I can say is thank goodness there are so many hard charging and caring Americans out there who understand the importance of serving, so thank you for that.

I have to add here the fact that I just got done reviewing the awesome pictures and video done for Sports Day—Part 2! I wish everyone could know the details of how Sports Day came about and the difficult road that was taken to get there. It really was a lot about what I felt we as a unit needed, given the circumstances at the time, and I can say that it was one of the biggest risks I ever took. But what I saw in those pictures and videos was exactly what I had hoped, and that was bringing people together so we could all get to know each other better in order

that we could be more cohesive as a team on a day-to-day basis. I always wished I could have had more time to get people together, to learn about their careers, and so on—you can’t do it enough. There will always be distractions, issues to resolve, and critical timelines to meet. I always wished that I had more time to work on the positive parts. Sports Day allows a little bit of that and I am glad it was once again successful. To me, the best thing about this last one was the fact that my involvement was minimal. Great people taking an idea and running with it—I can only hope that this event continues on for many years. I think if you showed the footage to other units, they would be quite envious. I am sorry I wasn’t able to attend!

Regarding the end of my career, please understand that it wasn’t as abrupt as it may have seemed to you. I had known from the summer of 2008 when I went into the hospital that the likelihood of me being able to “survive” staying in the military was in jeopardy. It is what it is and it was difficult at times to continue to operate, as the pressure of the job, the fact that I was going to lose my own job, and the uncertainty of what I was going to do in a miserable job market weighed heavily. On top of that, we needed to get through the UCI and the last thing we needed was a distraction. So, I apologize that yes ... I did not tell you everything! In this case and many others, it wasn’t necessary as it would cause nothing but distraction and we all could use a little less of that.

As far as where the 111th is now, certainly everyone is disappointed that Governor Rendell pulled out of the JII plan, but ... “it ain’t over til it’s over” to quote Yogi Berra. We really need to be thankful that the governor went to the lengths he did, as this plan could have gone nowhere fast without his support. I just hope that people get the fact that this is all about preserving a national asset—the runway. And, despite the disappointment of this news, please look around and see what you have helped cre-

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ate! We didn't lose the entire unit, we are building our own interagency base, and you will be involved in important happenings now and into the future.

To close, I want to thank everyone involved with my retirement dinner. Although I would rather have had a barbeque at the pavilion in July, it just wasn't in the cards. The event put together was awesome, in fact overwhelming and greatly appreciated by my family and guests. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and many kind words (and e-mails!). I always worked hard because I knew the men and women of the 111th worked hard and I didn't want to let my teammates

down. My team never loses and never quits; we may have to take a longer road to reach a goal, but eventually we get there. Although the events of the past several years may not be the exact outcome we had hoped, we survived to live another day! Dare to be different, survive or die, work hard to help others ... that is what I live by. Thank you again, I am sure I will see many of you over the course of many events throughout the years. Good luck and may you continue to be successful.

Colonel (Ret.) Paul W. Comtois
Former 111th FW Commander

First Sergeant continued

the past 23 years and it continues to do so. In 1986, there was no e-mail, Internet or iPhones. Some of us have the old Airmen Performance Reports in our records, which I might add were typed on an old-fashioned electric typewriter. Now we do everything online through virtual MPF. If you wanted to communicate with your peers, you either called them on the land-line or got from behind your desk and paid them a visit in person. "Social networking" back then consisted of meeting up with your co-workers and friends at the NCO Club on Fridays after work. Believe me, the Club was THE happening place to be on a Friday night!

Continuing my trip down memory lane, I fondly recall the rank of buck sergeant. Yes, I was one of the fortunate ones to hold that rank. Back then (as an Airman or buck sergeant), it was unimaginable to think you could address a staff sergeant without first saying sir or ma'am. I know staff sergeants who would have troops shaking in their boots or would have given counseling if they didn't stand to greet an NCO as they approached a work center. Sadly, I think this is something that today's military only practices for our senior NCOs and officers. Back then, customs and courtesies were regularly drilled into us. Although the performance feedback had not yet been officially adopted, there was always constant feedback and solid mentorship by our NCO and senior NCO corps.

Air Force manning was at an all time high when I enlisted. Each dormitory had its very own dorm manager assigned. Dorm rooms had two Airmen assigned to a room and you shared a bath and shower with two others. Airmen were responsible for taking out their own trash daily in the work centers (and the trash of NCOs and senior NCOs) and for doing "weeds and seeds" on the areas adjacent to their respective duty sections on a weekly basis. However,

with the draw down and reduction in force in the 1990s and 2000s, Airmen were faced with doing more with less.

Operations tempo, deployments and combat training were not conceivable in 1986 unless you were Security Forces. After Desert Shield and Desert Storm in 1990 and 1991, that changed for all career fields. After 9/11, some of our Airmen barely have one year time in service before they are heading off to Iraq or Afghanistan to fight our nation's war, some of them multiple times and at the sacrifice of their families. Appropriately, today's Airmen's Creed replaced our previous NCO, senior NCO, and Chiefs' creeds which reflects what today's military and Airmen are all about.

Although I miss the "back-in-the-day" days and the simplicity it seemed to represent, I am amazed at how our military has evolved over my past 20 plus years. In today's military (active, guard or reserve) – how much more educated our Airmen are today, how much more responsibility they hold, and how much better trained they are for combat. I wonder what "old school" memories today's Airmen will affectionately have of today's military 20 years from now?



Master Sgt. Derrick Dash

Home or deployed—firefighters focus on prevention, training

By Staff Sgt. Shaun Emery
386th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

A fire can start at a moment's notice, endangering the lives of the men and women of the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing.

To avoid that danger, firefighters from the 386th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron put in hours of training and ensure preventive measures are in place to keep base members safe.

Personal safety and responsibility is the first message firefighters try to convey to new arrivals. Simple acts, like plugging in electronics or disposing of cigarettes, have potentially dangerous consequences if not done properly.

That is why the fire prevention office takes the time, going building by building and room by room, seeking out fire safety hazards and ensuring they are corrected.

"Safety is our main concern," said Staff Sgt. Thomas Green, 386th ECES fire prevention specialist. "People may think we're just giving them a hard time, but fire prevention can be the difference between life and death."

During building inspections, fire prevention members ensure smoke detectors are functional and fire extinguishers are available and serviceable. They are also checking to make sure residents are not using unauthorized items such as extension cords, or hanging lights.

"With the holidays coming around, we want to remind everyone that they can't have lights in their rooms," added Sergeant Green.

Sometimes all the prevention in the world still can't stop a fire from starting. But if a fire does start, firefighters fall back on their training to put it out.

That training includes individual upgrade training, task certifications, monthly aircraft training, hazardous material training and alarm room training.

Through self aid and buddy care, EMT skills and mass casualty exercises, firefighters train to be life savers. Firefighters respond to medical emergencies and are usually the first to arrive at the scene of an incident.

But, training is also about firefighter safety.

"You don't want to have an untrained firefighter running into a fully engulfed building," said Master Sgt. David Franklin, 386th ECES assistant chief of fire training. "Everything we do has safety tied to it. We don't want



By Staff Sgt. Shaun Emery

Staff Sgt. Thomas Green, a 111th Fighter Wing member who is currently deployed to the 386th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron Fire Protection flight as a fire prevention specialist assembles a new fire extinguisher for a customer.

to add to numbers of lost firefighters. We don't want to become a statistic. The reason we train so much can be summed up in a single word, preparedness," Sergeant Franklin added. "If we can't safely and correctly perform our job, we can't save you."

Being prepared to face the challenges at an aircraft or structure fire is vital to on-scene crew chiefs who are responsible for the lives of the firefighters they give orders to.

"We have to make decisions on the fly," said Staff Sgt. Wesley Mendoza, 386th ECES firefighter crew chief. "We have to know what needs to be done and how many people to send in, while making sure the crew is safe. If we make the wrong call, it could be life threatening."

Through prevention and training, firefighters here want to ensure that everyone leaves the same way they arrived, safe and sound.

Engineering troops return from deployment

By Staff Sgt. Gordon Beecroft
111th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 270th Engineering Installation Squadron, 111th Fighter Wing, recently completed two deployments to Anderson AFB, Guam, where they identified and repaired damaged communication cable to maintain mission critical communications.

A team of four Guardsmen deployed on November 17th, 2008 to survey 11,000 feet of underground copper cable that had sustained damage from years of exposure to the elements.

"We went out to identify a bad cable. It was a 3000 pair copper cable that ran the whole backside of the base. It was in extreme trouble. More than 50 percent of it was not working," said Master Sgt. Michael DiBattista, of the 270th EIS.

The team worked ten hours a day under temperatures in excess of 90 degrees and intense rainstorms. In order to identify the problem, the team had to dig up and expose the cable to find the bad splices. Rain barriers had to be constructed in order to keep the dug areas from flooding.

"The environment was the most challenging part of the job. We had to build barriers around the pit to avoid flooding because the rain was really intense at times," said Staff Sgt. Corey Pierce, a Communications

Cable and Antenna journeyman.

The initial survey, which required 440 hours of labor, resulted in identifying eight faulty cable splices. The guardsmen compiled a list of material and implemented plans for the follow-on deployment.

A second team of eight guardsmen from the 270th EIS deployed July 17 to repair the faulty splices identified by the efforts of the first deployment.

"We repaired eight total splices in manholes, buildings, and underground," said Sergeant DiBattista.

The team worked in excess of 1300 hours over a three week period to complete the task.

"The job needs to get done, even under the most extreme circumstances. Even though I am one of the lower ranking members, I was still a big part of the team," said Senior Airman Dakota Kauffman, a Communication Cable and Antenna journeyman.

"I've learned that training is essential in the Air Force. Not only in completing jobs, but also when it comes down to being a supervisor," said Sergeant Pierce.

Prior to the initial deployment, the 270th EIS completed an Operational Readiness Inspection. Guardsmen trained on the ability to survive and operate, self-aid buddy care, identifying and reporting explosive ordinance, and engineering installation procedures. This deployment gave these Airmen the opportunity to perform their job in Air Force in real-world situations.

"This job was priceless. We took a long vacation from doing jobs to complete the ORI and this was the first real job we've done since then. We proved that we can do the jobs with our hands, not just on paper," said Sergeant Pierce.



(Left) Tech Sgt. Frank McHenry and Senior Airman Joseph Clayton, both of the 270th EIS, prepare to enter a manhole.

Former 111th pilot selected to be one of first to fly F-35

The F-35 Lightning Two Joint Strike Fighter is the future of the U.S. military and our allies. Now a former 111th Fighter Wing member will be one of the first pilots to be behind her controls.

Maker Lockheed Martin claims the F-35 fighter is like no other in the history of military aviation. Major Jay Spohn, who is currently a member of the 188th Fighter Wing located at Fort Smith, Ark., has been chosen as one of twelve pilots who will be the first to train on the new plane. It's an honor and an opportunity he never saw headed his way.

"I thought I'd be flying A-10s out of Fort Smith, Arkansas until the day I retired to be honest with you."

Major Jay Spohn flew into the fort in 2007 as part of the 188th's transition from F-16s to A-10s.

"He's been an integral part of our transition." Commander of the 188th FW, Colonel Tom Anderson, says the wing hates to lose him, but they're proud that one of their own was chosen to fly the F-35.

Major Spohn has flown the A-10 since joining the Air National Guard in 1999. The whirlwind process started with an email and ended with an interview about a month later.

"I was confident in my abilities. I thought I'd do okay, but I'm not going to tell you I wasn't surprised because I was very surprised that I was the guy that was picked for the job," Major Spohn told the media on the flight line.

Major Spohn says he was up against three other pilots with unique qualifications.

"He's a pilot's pilot; he's very strong in his abilities to operate the plane in the air. What makes him even more unique is his ability to instruct others," Colonel Anderson said.

This March the 188th will deploy for their first mission since the transition, but the major will not be among them. He says it's one of few regrets, not getting to see all of their hard work fly in Afghanistan. Meanwhile, Major Spohn will be training at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida.

"We will be the first 12 non test pilots or the first 12 operational pilots to fly the F-35 for the Air Force," he said.

The F-35 Lightning Two Joint Strike Fighter was developed for the U.S. military and our allies. The fifth-generation, single-seat, single-engine, stealth

multirole fighter can perform close air support, tactical bombing, and air defense missions. Designed in three different models, the F-35s development has been principally funded by the United States, with the United Kingdom and other partner governments providing additional funding.

Major Spohn is the only pilot chosen from the Air National Guard. Another was selected from the Reserves, and ten others from active duty pilots.

The F-35 will arrive at Eglin in August of next year. Major Spohn will fly the F-15 until that time.



The F-35 Lightning II joint fight striker will join the F-22 Raptor as the worlds 5th generation fighter. The Lightnings successful first flight occured Dec. 15, 2006. Flight testing continues to advance and the aircraft is scheduled to be delivered to the armed services, beginning 2010 and continue through 2030.



(Left) Major Jay Spohn stands in front of a 111th Fighter Wing A-10 Thunderbolt with his fellow 103rd Fighter Squadron pilots. Maj. Spohn was recently selected as one of the first pilots to fly the F-35 Lightning II.

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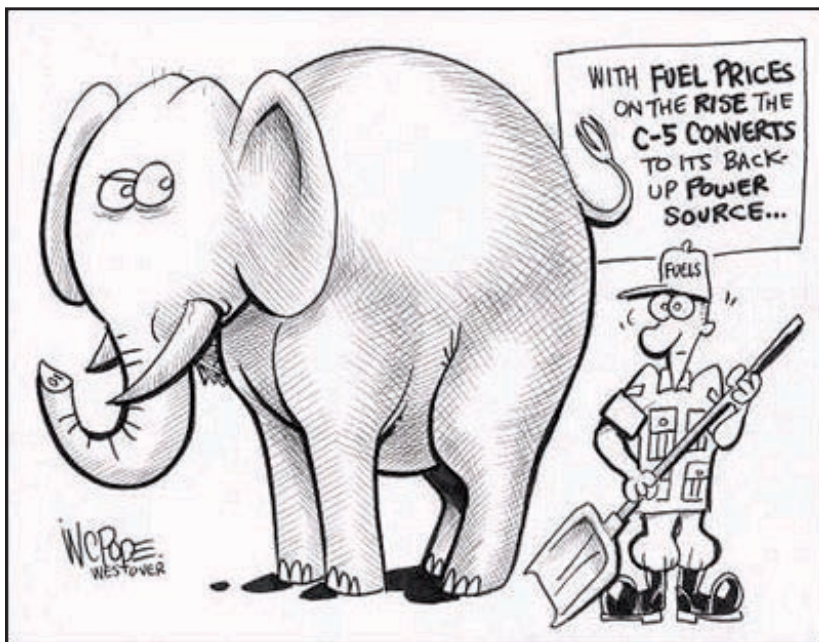
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RETIREMENTS

TSgt Henri A. Dick	201st RHS, Det. 1	28 Years
Major John H. Appleton	111th MDG	36 Years



UTA MENU DINING HALL

Saturday, Dec. 5

Stuffed Chicken Breast
Honey Glazed Ham
Baked Ziti
Brown & Wild Rice Medley
Au Gratin Style Potatoes
California Blend Vegetables
Succotash
Soup of the Day: Winter Veggie

Sunday, Dec. 6

Holiday celebration

UTA WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

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

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

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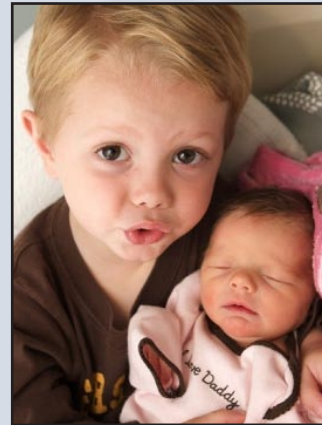
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The 111th Fighter Wing would like to welcome



John Patrick Moretti,
Born Aug. 7 at 6 lbs, 19 inches.
The grandson of CMSgt (Ret.)
John Moretti, Student Flight, and
Jean Moretti, FRG coordinator.

Mackenzie Marie Reilly
Born Oct. 8 at 5 lbs 12 oz, 19
inches to TSgt Jed Reilly, 201st
RHS, Det. 1, wife Janel and big
brother Noah.



Statewide News:

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193rd Special Operations Wing
"The Scope"

<http://www.193sow.ang.af.mil>

171st Air Refueling Wing
"Tanker Times"

<http://www.171arw.ang.af.mil>

Pa. Guardians Magazine

<http://guardians.aqppublishing.com>

National News:

On Guard Magazine

Published every Jan., April, July, Oct.

[http://www.ngb.army.mil/news/
theonguard](http://www.ngb.army.mil/news/theonguard)

Airman Magazine

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