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187 AES

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153 SFS

Adam Franzen
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153 LRS

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Eric Olson
Michelle Torrez
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Austin Sanford

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ESGR bosslift to ORE a success

Wyoming employers got the unique opportunity to go to “war” with the Wyoming Air National Guard during the September Operational Readiness Exercise held at Gulfport’s Combat Readiness Training Center.

Fourteen civilian employers spent the last afternoon of preparations for and the first morning of the “war” viewing wing personnel performing wartime tasks.

“It is vitally important to the success of our Airmen’s missions their civilian employers understand and support their military duties,” said Janet Cowley, state chair for the Wyoming Committee for the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

The mission of Cowley’s committee is gain and maintain civilian employer support for National Guard and Reserve employees.

“Our bosslift participants can go back to their businesses and share their experiences with other employees and other local employers to grow the circle of support for our National Guard and Reserve personnel,” she said.

Eileen Davidson, a supervisor of flight services for American Airlines, made the trip from Chicago to Cheyenne to catch the C-130 to Gulfport.

Davidson is 187th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron commander Lt. Col. Amy Olson’s civilian boss.

Davidson played a patient on the C-130 for AES crew members, and even donned a J-list chemical warfare suit.

“Now when someone complains about the little things, like it’s too hot or it’s too cold. I will want to say, ‘Get over it,’” she said.



Laura Mead, Wyoming ESGR program support specialist, helps Eileen Davidson don a J-list suit during the Wyoming ESGR bosslift to Gulfport, in September. Davidson is the civilian employer of Lt. Col. Amy Olson, commander, 187th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron. (Photo by Janet Cowley, state chair, Wyoming ESGR.)

PROMOTIONS

153 CACS

Leora Romarine
Master Sergeant



153 MD

Sarah Fry
Technical Sergeant



153 AW

Amber Mellen
Technical Sergeant



153 LRS

William Ennis
Staff Sergeant
Scott Langer
Staff Sergeant



153 CF

Leisa Grant
Technical Sergeant
Phillip Lopez
Technical Sergeant



153 CES

Sean Crawford
Staff Sergeant



153 AMS

Christopher Opp
Master Sergeant



153 MXS

Gary Henry
Senior Airman



GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION OCT. 6

All Wyoming Military Department E-7s and above were invited to the annual Governor's Reception, scheduled for Oct. 6 at Cheyenne's Little America.

Tickets are \$45 per person after Sept. 26. Seating is limited, so RSVP fast.



NEW BUILDING OPENS IN OCT.

The Composite Airlift Support Complex's, new home of the 153 APF and 243 ATC, ribbon cutting ceremony is Oct. 6 at 10:30 a.m.

Do you know where your will is?

By the staff of the 153rd AW Legal Office

With the level of deployments the past six years in the Guard, most members now have a will given the emphasis we place on executing a will before deploying.

However, a quick informal survey recently netted the result that many do not know where their original will is located.

Unfortunately, if something happens to the member, their family in most states needs that original will to probate the estate in accordance with the member's wishes.

Recently, this point was brought home for a traditional Wyoming National Guardsman's family when the member unexpectedly passed away.

He had done a will which created a trust so his sibling would control the money he left for his child and not his former spouse – a fairly common and often suggested practice.

Unhappily for the family, only a copy of the signed will could be found – the original will was MIA.

In this case, after some legal wrangling, the family successfully obtained a court ruling allowing the copy of the will to be admitted to probate, but not until much time and money had been expended.

If only they had been able to find the original will!

The bottom line is you need to safeguard your original will like any original document of value.

Where should one keep their original will?

Some advise placing it in a safety deposit box at a bank, but unless someone outside the family has access to the box, a court proceeding may be required to get to the will – not the best outcome.

GUEST COLUMN

Our recommendation is to: 1) place the original will in a folder or sealed envelope in either a fire proof box or in a plastic bag in your freezer (since the freezer often survives a house fire); and 2) tell your named personal representative or executor where it is in your house.

Even keeping the will in a file in an unlocked wooden file cabinet is better than some unknown location!

Remember that while sending a copy of the will to the person who is the personal representative or executor is not a bad idea, telling that person where the original is located is much more important.

So, do you know where your original will is?

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Holiday party set for December 1

Tickets for the 153rd Airlift Wing Childrens' Holiday Party are available beginning Oct. 1.

The second annual event, sponsored by the 153rd Airlift Wing Family Readiness Program, includes a breakfast with Santa.

The party will be held at the Robert E. Stoddard VFW Post # 4343 from 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 1.

Children and families from around the wing are welcome to attend.

Tickets are available at



the wing family readiness office for \$5 per person. All attendees, including parents and other adults, must have a ticket to attend.

The ticket price will help purchase breakfast, photos with Santa for each child, craft materials, holiday treats and gifts for each child.

If you know of a family unable to purchase tickets, please contact your unit family readiness volunteer, first sergeant, or Denise Rampolla, wing family readiness coordinator.

FAMILY MORALE CARE PACKAGES AVAILABLE

The Wing Family Readiness Program offers a Family Morale Care Package Program for all military members to help deployed Airmen stay connected to children.

Items such as picture pillowcases and photo buttons, special Air Force bears, disposable cameras, journals, recorder pens, and other items can be provided to children 6 years old and up.

Call 772-6063 for information.



Operation Guardian Angel program begins

The Wyoming National Guard Operation Christmas Guardian Angel Program begins Oct. 1.

Each year the Wyoming National Guard Family Readiness Program assists military families in need over the holidays through this program.

Last year more than 139 children benefited from the generous gift giving of Wyoming National Guard members, including 34 Wyoming Air National Guard children.

If you would like to sponsor a National Guard/military child or family this Christmas please contact the wing or state Family Readiness Program Offices.

The offices have the names of

available children varying in age from infant to 16 from military families who need a little extra help this holiday season.

If you know of any military family -- National Guard or active duty -- that could use a little help this holiday season, please see your unit first sergeant or commander to nominate the family for this very special program.

This program is open to assist military families from all branches of service.

All information is kept confidential and secure.

Gift items are distributed through the Wyoming National Guard Family Readiness Program.

TRICARE changes in Oct.

The enhanced TRICARE Reserve Select (TRS) Program will begin Oct. 1.

Currently, TRS has three-tiers of coverage and six premium rates. The enhanced TRS will have only one premium amount for each type of coverage. In addition, all members of the selected reserve will be eligible for TRS regardless of any active duty served, with the exception of those are currently covered under the Federal Employees Health Benefits.

Those who wish to continue in TRS should make plans to re-enroll under the new program before Sept. 30.

A complete overview of the changes can be found at <http://www.tricare.mil/mybenefit/home/overview/Plans/ReserveSelect>.

153RD AIRLIFT WING FAMILY READINESS PROGRAM CONTACT NUMBERS



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STATE FAMILY READINESS COORDINATOR
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307.214.2625 CELL

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307.772.5098 OFFICE

JOBS

FIRST SERGEANT VACANCY - Applications are now being accepted for the First Sergeant position (AFSC 8F000) in the 153 SFS. This Master Sergeant position is open to any enlisted member in the grade of Technical Sergeant who is immediately eligible for promotion IAW ANGI 36-2502 or any Master Sergeant. Applicants must meet all requirements outlined in AFI 36-2113, Chapter 10, meet ASVAB requirements prior to interview, score a minimum of 75 on the fitness assessment, and applicants overall image must exceed standards. Mandatory Service Commitment is 3 years from the date of assignment for the 8F000 SDI and will not exceed 6 years from the date of the First Sergeant Academy graduation. Duty related questions may be directed to Maj. Tweedy or Chief Pollard. All applications packages are due to commander, 153 SFS by **COB on 4 Nov.**, and must include a cover letter, resume, RIP, and fitness assessment.

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TRADITIONAL TRANSPORTATION FLEET MANAGER: Applications are being accepted for the position of Transportation Fleet Manager, AFSC 2T377. This position is located in the 153rd's vehicle maintenance section. The authorized grade is Master Sergeant. This position is open to all members of the WyANG in the ranks of Master Sergeant and Technical Sergeant who are immediately promotable and who can meet the following requirements. Must have experience in providing technical assistance to vehicle mechanics, customers, vehicle control officers and monitoring the DoD fleet program. Perform analysis on fuel expenditures and provide technical assistance to accounting and finance on fleet fuel account balances and performs annual revalidation on the wing's vehicle fleet. Establishes vehicle fleet rotation instructions to ensure proper vehicle utilization. Applications

must include, but not limited to the following:

(1) Cover letter requesting consideration; (2) Resume to include civilian and military experience; (3) A current RIP showing completed PME (4) A current fitness assessment with a fitness score of 70 or better. Applications must be turned into Senior Master Sgt. Terrell McAllister at the vehicle maintenance section by **COB on Nov. 13.**

OFFICER APPOINTMENT – NAVIGATOR (C-130): Applications are now being accepted for UNDERGRADUATE NAVIGATOR TRAINING, AFSC 12M3B. This position is located in the 187th Airlift Squadron. Applicants must be able to enter training prior to age 30; qualify on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test; meet medical requirements in AFI48-123; possess a bachelor's degree or have at least 90 semester hours with a minimum 2.3 GPA; and meet security clearance requirements. This position is open to all applicants that meet the above minimum requirements. For application procedures contact Tech. Sgt. Hondel, 153 MPF, (307)772-6457. For AFOQT info Senior Master Sgt. Helart 153 MPF (307)772-6104. Application packages must include: 1. Cover letter requesting consideration, 2. AF Form 24 (enlisted and civilian applicants only), 3. Resume to include civilian and military education and experience, 4. Official college transcripts (enlisted and civilian applicants only), 5. Two letters of supervisory references, 6. AFOQT scores, 7. Any private flying paperwork. Nominating/Selecting Official: Lt. Col. Lyman, 187AS/CC (307) 772-6360. Send application packages to Tech. Sgt. Denise Hondel, 153AW/MPF, 217 Dell Range Blvd. Cheyenne, WY 82009-4799.

SUPERINTENDENT – COMPUTER OPERATIONS SYSTEMS: The 153rd Command and Control Squadron is now accepting applications for Superintendent, Computer Operations Systems. This is a traditional position with the authorized rank of Senior Master Sergeant. All Master Sergeants are welcome and encouraged to apply. Applications must include a cover letter, a current resume with civilian and military experience/education, a current RIP (VMPF is acceptable), a current fitness assessment reflecting a score of 70 or above, and proof of a current SECRET clearance. Upon selection, the applicant must complete SF 86 for TOP SECRET clearance. Duties and Responsibilities: Supervises and performs Communications-Computer Systems operations and executes associated information systems support programs. Performs network management, control, and administration on DoD local, metropolitan, and wide area networks, and command, control, communications, computer and intelligence systems, Defense Message Systems (DMS), command and control, and functional area systems. Must possess managerial, leadership, and good communication skills. Questions about this position should be directed to Chief Master Sgt. Mills, chief of operations, 153 CACS at 773-2878.

Applications should be sent to Chief Master Sgt. Mills, chief of operations, 153 CACS, 773-2878 or allen.mills2@warren.af.mil.

243rd ATCS TRADITIONAL MAINTENANCE POSITIONS: The commander of the 243rd Air Traffic Control Squadron is accepting applications for Airfield Systems Maintenance, AFSC 2E1X2; Supply Management AFSC 2S0X1; Heating, Air, Ventilation AFSC 3E1X1; Power Production AFSC 3E0X2; and Ground Radar Maintenance AFSC 2E0X1. These are traditional positions with some authorized ranks through MSgt for qualified candidates and ultimate potential for Chief Master Sergeant. These positions are open to any enlisted member of the WyANG. Cross-trainees are welcome. Applicants may contact Senior Master Sgt. Greg Wheeler at ext. 6290.

AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON VACANCIES: The Aircraft Maintenance Squadron has traditional positions available in aerospace ground equipment, aircraft ECM/EW, aircraft crew chiefs, aircraft electro/environmental, aircraft pneumatics, aircraft propulsion, aircraft repair and reclamation, aircraft COMM/NAV, aircraft avionics, and aircraft ISO Dock. If you have questions or would like more information please contact Chief Randy Wilkison at 772-6778, Chief Doug Hensala at 772-6401, or Chief Jan Arnold at 772-6035.

SUPERINTENDENT – RADIO OPERATIONS SYSTEMS: The 153rd Command and Control Squadron is now accepting applications for Superintendent, Radio Operations Systems. This is a traditional position with the authorized rank of Senior Master Sergeant. All Master Sergeants are welcome and encouraged to apply. Applications must include a cover letter, a current resume with civilian and military experience/education, a current RIP (VMPF is acceptable), a current fitness assessment reflecting a score of 70 or above, and proof of a current SECRET clearance. Upon selection, the applicant must complete SF 86 for TOP SECRET clearance. Duties and Responsibilities: Operates, deploys, and sustains radio transmitters, receivers, and ancillary equipment for line-of-sight, air-to-ground, and satellite communications (SATCOM). Provides multiple spectrum (HF, VHF, UHF, SHF, EHF) communications in fixed, tactical, environments.

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The Wyoming Military Department is an equal opportunity employer. Selection for all positions will be made without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, political affiliation or any other non-merit factor. This applies to ALL vacancies within the Wyoming Military Department.

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Configures antenna and radio equipment for efficient operations. Establishes and maintains communications links with distant stations. Operates terminal control consoles and monitors system performance indicators. Implements operational directives. Manages communications facilities and activities. Supervises operations of radio and SATCOM systems, computer terminals, secure voice encryption equipment. Questions about this position should be directed to Chief Master Sgt. Mills, chief of operations, 153 CACS at 773-2878. This position will be advertised until filled. Applications should be sent to Chief Master Sgt. Mills, chief of operations, 153 CACS, 773-2878 or allen.mills2@warren.af.mil.

CACS OPPORTUNITIES: The 153rd Command and Control Squadron located on

F.E. Warren Air Force Base, has immediate openings for anyone with a desire to work in a fast-paced environment while going to college. The squadron welcomes all cross-trainees from several career fields and all branches of service. CACS currently has openings in: 3E451-Utilities Systems, 3M071-Services, 2T351-Vehicle Maintenance, 2E151-Satellite, Wideband, and Telemetry Communications Systems, 2E271- Computer, Networking, Systems, and Cryptographic Systems, 2E153-Ground Radio, 3C051-Communications-Computer Systems, 3C151-Radio Operation Systems, 3C251-Communications-Computer Systems Control. For more information contact Master Sgt. Priest at 773-6715 or a WyANG recruiter at 772-6333.

Find technician and AGR jobs at:
<http://www.wy.ngb.army.mil/HRO/default.asp>

Connected thinking: Diversity and the Air Force

By retired Lt. Col. Bruce Stewart

Diversity, cultural competency, and equal opportunity for all Air National Guard members will increase in importance as the ANG is exposed to the new realities of the 21st century. For the ANG, it will require that all members be fully engaged in accomplishing the mission successfully, and operate and navigate in this new global environment by utilizing their unique talents, strengths and skills.

The ability to integrate and leverage the ANG's fundamental diversity goals of reflecting the community, engaging everyone through mentoring and improving Airmen cultural and interpersonal competencies with the Air Force core competencies, is essential for the future success of the ANG diversity transformation.

Developing Airmen is the heart of combat capability. We must develop all of our Airmen and encourage those talented people outside the ANG to join our team. Unless we inclusively develop, engage and mentor all of our Airmen over time, we could lose the heart of our combat capability.

Technology-to-war fighting provides for the tools needed to implement transformational concepts of

operations to enhance overall combat capability. Diversity lays the foundation for innovation, and applying new technology in innovative ways is what wins wars.

Integrating operations calls for enhancing our combat capabilities with cultural competencies. War fighting in today's world is about operating across cultural boundaries and functional paradigms.

We must act and think investment if we are to fully leverage the unique talents and strengths of our Airmen. The rapid globalization of our world, the rise of fundamentalism, the Global War on Terrorism, the ubiquity of information and the increase of military operations (other than war), all signify the future importance of creating an ANG that is inclusive, diverse and engaging. As we move into the future we will continue to revise our diversity strategy to ensure the "ANG After Next" is capable of operating effectively in the new realities of the 21st century.

DIVERSITY CORNER

Brought to you by the Human Resource Advisor Team; Chief Master Sgt. James P. Branom, state human resource advisor and Senior Master Sgt. Susan Nagel, wing human resource advisor.

Mentoring: Everyone Needs It

By Chief Master Sgt. Kris Mauer

Some of the people I remember and admire most have been my mentors. Mentoring is a mutual process where a relationship exists in which one person facilitates another by sharing known experiences and resources.

Mentoring develops future leaders, and assists in knowledge transfer and skill development of junior personnel.

An effective mentoring relationship needs to possess collaboration, confidentiality, respect (as always), and free and honest expression. Some myths of mentoring are that the mentor must be older, that mentoring is time-consuming, mentoring is based on chemistry and that the mentoring

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relationships should last a lifetime.

Really, mentoring is a simple three-step process: Establish the relationship; monitor the relationship; close the relationship.

So, use the mentoring process. You and your mentor will find it a valuable aspect of your career. Also, make time for professional reading. It helps you understand the world in which we operate, develop a wider perspective and an appreciation of views other than your own.

I encourage each of you to make time for this as part of your continuing development in the Air Force and Air National Guard. Some titles you might want to check out: "Beyond the Wild Blue: A History of the United States Air Force, 1947-1997" by Walter J. Boyne, and "The Age of Sacred Terror: Radical Islam's War Against America" by Daniel Benjamin and Steven Simon.

PASS & REGISTRATION SECURITY CLEARANCES

In order to register a vehicle with the 153 SFS Pass & Registration, you must have your military ID (dependents need their ID), vehicle registration and current proof of insurance. Civilian employees without a military ID must have a Wyoming Military Department Employee ID.

Due to a change in the DoD vehicle registration database, we now need to have a copy of the vehicle registration for each of your vehicles registered with us, before we can update registrations on your vehicles.

In accordance with AFI 31-204, AIR FORCE MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC SUPERVISION, "a person need not own the vehicle to register it; however, they must have a lease agreement, power of attorney, or notarized statement from the owner of the vehicle granting them permission to use the vehicle and specifying the inclusive use dates."

As a reminder, Pass & Registration's hours are 0700-1630 Monday through Friday (including Fridays before UTAs). UTA hours: Saturday 0830-1630 and Sunday 0800-1600.

Address all Pass & ID questions to Master Sgt. Nate Cook at 772-6192.

The 153rd Security Forces Squadron Personnel Security office is open Monday-Friday 0700-1630, Phoenix Fridays prior to UTAs, and on UTAs from 0700 – 1530 for assistance with security clearances. First preference will be given to new members who live out of town. Please address all security clearance questions to Mr. Dave Smith at 772-6145.

CLINIC INFO

Physical Health Assessments (PHA) are conducted Saturday of the UTA, 0830 - 1130, and Short PHAs on Wednesdays from 0800 - 1100 hours. Once per quarter, we will offer Friday PHAs, 0830 - 1130 (Dec, Mar, Jun, and Sep drills).

Please contact your unit health monitor to set up your PHA appointments. Immunizations are given in the Clinic on Fridays (quarterly) and Saturdays of drill weekend and during weekday duty hours between the hours of 0830 - 1130.

REMEMBER, the member MUST be on status (UTA/AT/PM) to be eligible for the vaccination. Personnel who will be attend-

ing school, TDY, or out-processing for any other reason, MUST out-process on Saturday of drill.

Clinic is open Sunday of drill from 0800-1000 hours for administrative purposes only, but this does not include out-processing. Health Promotion classes, Fitness and Cholesterol, have now been combined and will be held at 0900 in the mezzanine, Saturday of drill.

You will be scheduled through your unit health monitor following failure of Fit Test or through the clinic, following abnormal test results receipt. If you have any questions please call ext 6329, 6251, or 6426.

ITEMS OF NOTE

COMMANDERS' CALL – Commanders' Call for all group commanders, squadron commanders, and first sergeants on Saturday mornings of UTA is from 0630 – 0700.

CHAPEL SERVICE – Held from 0730-0800 on UTA Sunday. The non-denominational service is held in the civil engineering classroom.

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