



# 132nd Fighter Wing

Iowa Air National Guard

## The *e-Intake*

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### COMMAND COMMENTARY

## Next Up..Operational Readiness Exercise..Part Deux

**By Col. Drew "Toto" DeHaes**  
Commander, 132nd Fighter Wing

Over the next several months the 132nd will begin preparing for the next hurdle we will face as a Wing, a Phase 2 ORE. You might ask yourself, what is a Phase 2 ORE and how is it different than a Phase 1. As you all know, we completed our Phase 1 ORI in October. The Phase 1 tested our ability to get our jets and troops loaded up and deployed to a different location. A Phase 2 ORI inspects the meat and potatoes of our primary mission—flying jets, fixing jets, supporting combat operations and the ability to survive and operate in a combat environment.

Many individuals at the 132nd have never participated in a Phase 2 inspection. About 40% of our base has never been exposed to operating in a simulated chemical environment wearing our protective chemical gear while we do our primary J O B. Well, as they say in Australia, no worries mate! Over the next several months, in addition to honing survival techniques, you will be assigned specific areas of responsibilities which could range from PAR (post-attack reconnaissance) team member, Shelter manager, etc. The list of potential additional duties is long. What I need each and every one of you to do is become the expert in your area of responsibility. New troops will learn from the old and I am sure that the old will learn from the new.

We will be deploying to Volk Field, Wisconsin in June to spend several days getting up to speed on our new duties, chem gear, receiving briefs on Phase 2 inspection areas and a host of other topics. Once the ORI training is complete, we will begin a two

day exercise that will test our ability to not only survive, but operate in a chemical and conventional AOR (area of responsibility). We will be taking a crawl, walk, run approach into this exercise. It is an opportunity to learn and bottom line, get better. The goal is to be prepared to excel in our Phase 2 ORI in August 2013. It may seem like a long time from now but it will be here before you know it.

I would like to conclude by thanking you in advance for the hard work we will put forth for the June ORE. The 132nd is known for our excellence and ability to get the job done. That is our legacy, a legacy that separates us from the herd. Thank you.

### Congratulations on the Wing's 9<sup>th</sup> AFOUA

For those who haven't heard the news, the 132nd Fighter Wing won the 2010 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for the ninth time. We were honored because of the dedication and excellence that this Wing has exhibited over the past year. I am proud of what this Wing has accomplished and know that it was done the old fashion way, with hard work and sweat. Thank you for all you do for the mission. Your Nation, State and Commander appreciate your sacrifice and dedication. Job Well Done!

### DISTRIBUTIVE OPERATIONS TRAINING CENTER

## Open House - Learn more about DTOC

Curious about what we do at the DTOC? Here is your chance to see what we do. All military personell assigned to the 132FW are invited to come down during drill weekend and receive an informative briefing and tour of our new facility. The details are as follows:

**Who:** All military members of the 132FW (30 people per session, so sign up quickly!)

**What:** 45 min briefing on the DTOC and 15 min tour of new facility

**When:**

- Sunday 6 Mar 0830-1000
- Sunday 3 Apr 0830-1000 and 1000-1130
- Sunday 15 May 0830-1000 and 1000-1130

**Where:** DTOC Auditorium, Building 180

POC: Jamie Hurley (Please RSVP NLT the Thursday before drill by email to [Jamie.hurley.1.ctr@ang.af.mil](mailto:Jamie.hurley.1.ctr@ang.af.mil)).

# COMMAND CHIEF'S COMMENTARY

## Family Care Plans

**By Chief Master Sgt. Ed Schellhase**  
*132d Wing Command Chief*

There should be no question in anyone's mind that our Air National Guard has transformed from a strategic reserve into an integral operational force, a key part of the Total Force engaged in our homeland and deployed. The active duty Air Force and our sister services cannot go it alone. They need us and they truly appreciate us and the contributions the Reserve forces bring to the fight.

Because of this transformation we are required to be so much more expeditionary now than ever before. That in itself has brought on a whole new set of challenges. We have to be ready to deploy, all the time. We talk about fitness and how important it is to being ready. We stress the importance of having our PRF's squared away, and we must be current with our training.

In addition, we must ensure our families are ready for us to deploy. Part of that may involve the development of a Family Care Plan. According to AFI 36-2908, Family Care Plans, every Airman who has a family "will have family care arrangements

that reasonably cover all situations, both short and long term". For dual military couples, single parents, and members whose civilian spouses have unique situations, the AFI further directs this plan be documented on an AF Form 357 and that it be recertified annually. Please understand these plans are only as good as the information provided. Do not wait for the annual certification with your first sergeants to update the information, you never know when an emergency will arise and the importance of current and accurate information is needed. Also, Airmen should make sure to discuss their family care plan with their designated caregivers so they fully understand what their responsibilities would be should the plan have to be implemented.

Your squadron first sergeant monitors the Family Care Program for your commander. They can help you if you have any questions.

The bottom line is, part of taking care of our Airmen and their families is making sure we are ready to deploy and our families are not left high and dry when we are gone. Even if you do not fall into one of the categories that mandate a formal Family Care Plan using an AF Form 357, please make sure you have developed a plan to take care of that, and review it periodically so it remains viable.

# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## You a "Good Neighbor"?

**By Chaplain (Major) Wendell K. Rome**  
*132FW Chaplain*

Recently, I had the pleasure of attending for the first time a Native American Indian program. There were several speakers present who were native American who talked about their history as Native American Indians. One gentleman was a member of the Lakota tribe and spoke about the misconceptions that we have about language, culture, tradition of Native American Indians. While at the program I began to think of what it means to be a good neighbor and if I had been a good neighbor or not. Also, I realized that I did not know as much about Native American Indian culture as once believed. About 10 years ago I lived in a neighborhood in Trotwood, Ohio where I had a neighbor that would not speak to me or my family. Finally, one day his daughter was selling cookies because she was a track and field star and she knocked on our door. We ordered several boxes of cookies from her and said we would come to her track meet. She finished first and ended up going to the state meet where doing quite well. This situation opened up very welcomed

dialogue that led our families to becoming very good friends and still are today. It was a breakthrough in our relationship as neighbors that we all had been hoping for to get to know each other. Someone had to make the first move and I am very glad it was his daughter selling those cookies.

Television personality Fred Rogers was the host of the popular long running children's show Mister Rogers' Neighborhood. He obtained a divinity degree and became a Presbyterian clergyman whose ministry was children's television. Mister Rogers' Neighborhood was one of the first shows to encourage appreciation for diversity and other important values of behaviors. Mister Rogers' would end every broadcast with a song would you be my neighbor. We have celebrated the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King and Black History Month and many other celebrations of cultural diversity. So many nations around us seem to be struggling with their governments and being good neighbors to each other. I think if we remember to love our neighbor as ourselves than we would all become much better neighbors and this world would become a much better place. We strive as Mister Rogers' stated to become good neighbors .

# OFFICER SELECTION BOARD

There will be an Officer Selection Board during April UTA. Candidates must be able to graduate from the ANG Officer Training School prior to their 35<sup>th</sup> birthday, possess a Bachelor's degree or have at least 90 semester hours & meet the minimum scores on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT). Packages will need submitted to FSS/CC NLT COB of March SUTA. If you'd like further information, contact Maj Twedt x2618525 or Maj Kowalczyk x2618451

# A Few Tips as Tax Time Approaches

By **Maj Brian C. Bowman**  
132FW Legal Office



Members of the National Guard may be able to claim a deduction that reduces adjusted gross income rather than an itemized deduction on Form 1040, Schedule A, for unreimbursed travel expenses paid in connection with the performance of services as a reservist. To qualify the travel must be overnight and more than 100 miles from your home. Expenses must be ordinary and necessary. This deduction is limited to the regular federal per diem rate (for lodging, meals, and incidental expenses) and the standard mileage rate (for car expenses) plus any parking fees, ferry fees, and tolls. These expenses are claimed on Form 2106, or Form 2106-EZ and carried to the appropriate line on Form 1040. Expenses in excess of the limit can be claimed only as an itemized deduction on Form 1040, Schedule A.

If you are on duty outside of the United States and Puerto Rico on the due date of your income tax return, you are allowed an automatic 2-month extension to June 15 to file your income tax return. Please note, this automatic extension is an extension to file your tax return, not an extension of time to pay any tax owed by the regular due date of the return. In such situations, interest is charged on any taxes owed from April 15 to the date the taxes are paid. You can also request an additional 4-month extension by filing Form 4868, Application For Automatic Extension of Time To File U.S. Individual Tax Return, by June 15. Be sure to check the box on Line 8 - 'out of the country' on the form.

If you are serving in a combat zone or in a contingency operation (or are hospitalized as a result of an injury received while serving in such an area or operation), you qualify for extensions of deadlines. The deadlines for filing tax returns, paying taxes, filing claims for refund, and taking other actions with the IRS are extended to at least 180 days after you leave the designated combat zone or contingency operation. You are able to notify IRS directly of your request for combat zone relief for extensions of deadlines through a special e-mail address: [combatzone@irs.gov](mailto:combatzone@irs.gov).

To assist you in making accurate and informed decisions, the IRS has a dedicated web page, Tax Information for Members of the Military, which provides questions and answers on combat zone tax provisions and Publication 3, Armed Forces' Tax Guide. The web page and publication includes instructions on how members can 'self-identify' to advise the IRS of their combat zone status.

Guard personnel and their families may also take advantage of the IRS military-based Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program at Camp Dodge. Trained VITA volunteer assistants are able to address military-specific tax issues, such as filing deadlines when outside the United States, combat zone tax benefits, and the Earned Income Tax Credit guidelines.

## DIAMOND TALK

# Are you prepared for the next deployment?

By **Master Sgt. Mark Wessels**  
132 FW Security Forces Squadron First Sgt.

Do you have everything in order to deploy? Is your family ready for you to be gone for an extended period of time? The time is now to prepare you and your family for the next deployment not when the order is given and we are all scrambling to get the things done to deploy.

Here are a few things that you can get done now which will lessen the burden later. If you need a family care plan, get it done. Your First Sergeant will help you with this. Make sure you have a Will and Power of Attorney. Discuss financial accounts with family members and be sure that they can act on your behalf. Set up a folder to hold all receipts and financial documents so they will be easy to find while you are gone. Make sure life, auto, and house insurance are up to date and you have adequate coverage. Make sure your DEERS is current and verify family status for TRICARE. Family members' military

ID's are up to date and valid. Make sure vehicles and your house are taken care of. Make the repairs now so that you won't rush to get them done or the problems could become worse while you are gone forcing your family member to deal with it.

I have listed a few things that will make leaving easier and less hectic and leave you more confident that your family is taken care of and allowing you to concentrate on the mission. Being prepared for a deployment is your personal responsibility and no one else. Make sure you are ready to deploy, it could be short notice and you must be prepared. You must be WARRIOR READY.



# PEOPLE

## Movin' Up

### to Lt. Col.

Claus, Brian J.

### to Major

Bartelma, Gregory J.

### to Master Sgt.

Fox, Barry C.

Lestrangle, Jeanette M.

### to Tech. Sgt.

Redman, Jordan J.

Elam, Emily A.

### to Staff Sgt.

McDonald, Richard L. Jr.

Newman, Jared A.

Larson, Nicholas R.

McCombs, Jimmy D.

### to Senior Airman

Surber, Raymond K. Jr.

## Movin' In

Maj

Lied, Aleksander M.

SSgt

Shatek, Nicholas L.

A1C

Keeney, Michael R.

A1C

McCauley, Alexander D.

FS

SFS

LRS

MXA



## Movin' On



Lt.Col. Michael Kato



Master Sgt. Dennis McIntire



Master Sgt. Michael Parker

## AIRMAN & FAMILY READINESS

# 2011 State Family Readiness Conference and Youth Symposium

**By Amanda Wicker**

*Airman & Family Readiness Program Manager*

The State Family Readiness Conference and Youth Symposium will be held 15-17 April 2011 at the Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines, Iowa. Please join us in this fun packed event for Service Members, Family Members, Volunteers and Survivors of the Iowa National Guard. Our theme, *Family Readiness: Beyond All Limits*, will be the focal point of the weekend guiding lectures, trainings, and discussions. The intent for the conference will be to educate current Service Members, Family Members, and Volunteers of the Iowa National Guard with the latest resources, programs, and training regarding family readiness which enhances the overall readiness of the Iowa National Guard.

Conference training topics will include building resiliency in children and adults, stress management, wellness, reintegration, financial success, Afghanistan, volunteer management, family readiness best practices, Iowa National Guard Resources and much more! The Youth & Teen Symposium will conduct sessions for children and youth in grades K-12.

Activities will focus on teambuilding, leadership development, and identifying resources available to National Guard youth and teens.

Attendees will be placed on Invitational Travel Orders, paid for by National Guard Bureau. Travel, lodging, and per diem will be reimbursed in accordance with the Joint Federal Travel Regulations. Attendees who live over 50 miles (one way) from the conference location will qualify for lodging and reimbursed per diem and mileage. Attendees that live 49 miles or less (one way) from the conference location will be reimbursed mileage only.

For more information regarding this event and to register, contact Amanda Wicker at 515-261-8786 or [Amanda.wicker@ang.af.mil](mailto:Amanda.wicker@ang.af.mil). Questions regarding Youth Registration, please contact Jeremy VanWyk, State Youth Coordinator, at 515-252-4040 or email [jeremy.vanwyk@us.army.mil](mailto:jeremy.vanwyk@us.army.mil).

Registration deadline is 1 April 2011. We hope to see you there!

(for more information and registration form go to:

[www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110301-082.pdf](http://www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110301-082.pdf))

# ADVERTISED EVENTS

## March

### Promotions:

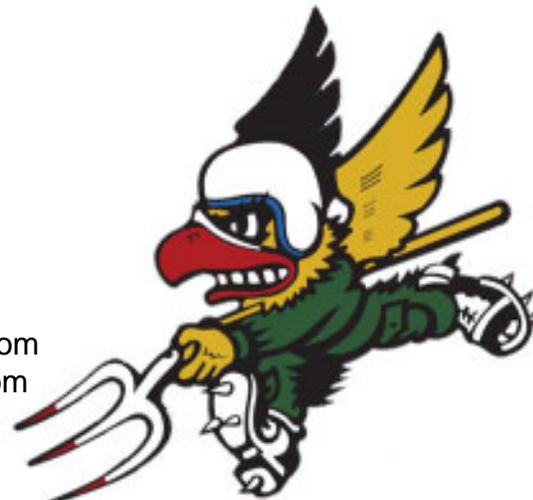
TBA

### Retirements:

3/5 - 1400 - MSgt Travis Leach - Bldg 410, Classroom

3/5 - 1500 - MSgt Michael Parker - Bldg 100, Wing Classroom

3/24 - 1500 - LtCol Michael Kato - Bldg 100, Wing Classroom



### Other Events:

3/6 - FRG Meeting, Bldg 110, DFAC

(for more information see: [www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110228-049.pdf](http://www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110228-049.pdf))

3/16-1900 - Silver Squadron Regular Meeting - Bldg 100, Wing Classroom

## April

### Promotions:

TBA

### Retirements:

4/2 - 1330 - TSgt Terry McLaughlin - Bldg 240, Mail Room

4/8 - 1600 - MSgt Steve Karns - Bldg 100, Wing Classroom

### Other Events:

4/2-3 - AAFES Case Lot Sale - Camp Dodge Exchange

4/2 - 1300 - Easter Egg Hunt - West of Bldg 110

(for more information see: [www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110228-048.pdf](http://www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110228-048.pdf))

4/15-17 - TBA, State Family Readiness Conference - Airport Holiday Inn

(for more information see: [www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110301-082.pdf](http://www.132fw.ang.af.mil/shared/media/document/afd-110301-082.pdf))

Note: Dates, times, locations subject to change, please call in advance.  
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