



132nd Fighter Wing

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COMMAND COMMENTARY

The Next Step In The Process

By Col. Drew DeHaes

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With the release of the President's 2013 budget, the process of vetting the request through Congress has begun. Up to this point, there have been no surprises. Our Congressional Delegation has gone to the mat for the 132nd. They are representing the 132nd with all their collective/bi-partisan efforts and should be commended. The next step you can expect is that the manpower plan will be released the 6th of March. Just like the President's budget, this is a **proposed** manpower lay down that is an additional piece of the DOD's proposal. I can't give you any good reason why the initial release of the 2013 budget didn't include a simultaneous release of the manpower implications. So what does this manpower release mean to me?

When the manpower piece is released, I will immediately work with my Commanders to dissect the plan and put the details in a presentable form to share with each of you. Realize that for our Traditional Guardsmen, this will occur after drill, but I will share what I know via email. I have tentatively scheduled the 7th of March as a day of presentations to the Wing. I am going to bring in Airmen throughout the day by functional organization so I can present the manpower piece and discuss the implications. I will have a question and answer session with each presentation. I may not have all the answers this early after release, but will get answers ASAP. Remember, this

manpower piece is a **proposal** and we are working through the process. Senator's Graham (R-SC) and Leahy (D-VT) have already called for a delay in implementing the 2013 proposals until 2014 so we can wait for several studies to be completed and released to Congress. Many of these are Cost studies which will report favorably on the Guard. The Air National Guard is the cost effective solution that our Nation needs and deserves. I can promise you that the proposed President's budget will change because the ANG is on the right side of the argument. But, even if the Guard wins the Active Component vs Reserve Component mix argument, we still might be targeted for re-missioning. Only time will tell the final outcome. Those are the facts.

What can you do while we wait for Congress to slug it out with the President over the budget? **Control what you can control.** Here are the things you can control. If you are deployed or deploying in the near term, focus on your mission! Our nation cannot afford for us to fail in carrying out our primary job due to distractions. Remain focused! **Continue preparing for our September ORE.** We cannot afford to fall on our face in light of increasing scrutiny when decisions are being made that can affect our future. **Ride the Average.** Don't get caught up in rumor/half truths or the woe is us pitfall. Finally, **be the best damn Fighter Wing in the country!** We have the performance to prove it and we just need to keep our powder dry and our heads up. Have a great drill weekend.

MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

Remembering Successes

By David N. Brown, Ph.D., LMFT

Wing Director Psychological Health

Rene Descartes, the French philosopher, once stated that, "Each problem that I solved became a rule which served afterwards to solve other problems." We can, therefore, look at our past successes in coping with stressful situations to guide our current and future actions. So if we look back at problematic situations which we overcame, did we do some of the following: increase physical activity; directly express needs and feelings without blaming or infringing on the rights of others; pray; socialize;

prioritize, laugh; discuss; become more conscious of time management; or relax for 15 minutes each day. Once you remember how you succeeded, you can use that information to help overcome the next stressed filled situation you might face. For questions or assistance contact David Brown, at 515-306-8015 or david.brown.ctr@ang.af.mil .



Department of
Veterans Affairs

VA Suicide Prevention Hotline
1-800-273-TALK
(8255)

LEGAL BRIEFS

Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Prevention is Everyone's Responsibility

By Maj. Brian C. Bowman

132FW/Legal Office

In today's climate of budget cuts and belt tightening, the prevention of fraud, waste and abuse is more important than ever. As members of the Air Guard, we are all tasked with the responsibility of not committing fraud, waste and abuse, but also reporting what violations that we see.

Fraud is any intention deception designed to unlawfully deprive the Air Guard of something of value or to secure from the Air Guard an individual benefit, privilege, allowance, or consideration to which he or she is not entitled.

AFI 90-301 defines "abuse" as the intentional wrongful or improper use of resources. Examples include misuse of rank,

position, or authority that causes the loss or misuse of resources such as tools, vehicles, computers or copy machines. An example of an abuse allegation may involve unnecessary purchases, such as disposing of newly acquired furniture merely because the supervisor's tastes have changed.

AFI 90-301 defines "waste" as the extravagant, careless or needless expenditure of ANG funds or consumption of ANG property that results from deficient practices, systems controls or decisions, as well as improper practices not involving prosecutable funds.

Guard members need to be aware that they have a duty not only to refrain from acts of fraud waste and abuse, but also to not sit back and be a passive witness. AFI 90-301 is a punitive instruction, meaning that violating its dictates can constitute a violation of the UCMJ or the Iowa State Military Code. In other words, report abuses that you see because your career may depend on it.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Certainty in Uncertain Times

By Chaplain (Capt.) David Doty

132FW Chaplain

We live in uncertain times. There is an uncertainty to life. This statement has been true all through history. Looking at some people in the Bible we read about Abram (Abraham) being told by God to go to "a land which I shall show you". He had no other information than that. Just go. And Abram went. By faith he stepped out and trusted God.

The news has been abuzz with the future of the 132nd. The basic question has been and will continue to be for the near future is, "What does the future hold for the 132nd?" At this time, it is an uncertain question. The future is uncertain.

But I do know this; there are a lot of people that are doing their best to make sure of the best future for the 132nd.

Looking back to the Scriptures there is the story of Job, who lost everything he had and still kept faith in God. He questioned God about his present situation (and that's OK). God answered him by basically saying that putting your faith in God means trusting in God's sovereignty. To put it another way, God is in control.

I finish with Scripture again. Psalm 43:5 – "Why am I discouraged? Why is my heart so sad? I will put my hope in God. I will praise him again—my Savior and my God". I cannot put it any better. Put your hope in God to see us through these uncertain times.

CAREER CORNER

All members are encouraged to update completed civilian and military collegiate academic coursework.

Community College of the Air Force:

*Transfer college credits into and from the CCAF

*An official CCAF college transcript form can be requested by contacting Base Training at 261-8536/8537

Improve your ASVAB score contact Base Training to schedule a retest.

Visit the following link for ANG and NGB career openings: <http://www.ang.af.mil/careers/mva/index.asp>

AIRMAN & FAMILY READINESS

State Family Readiness Training Conference and Youth & Teen Symposium

By **Amanda Wicker**

Airman & Family Readiness Program Manager

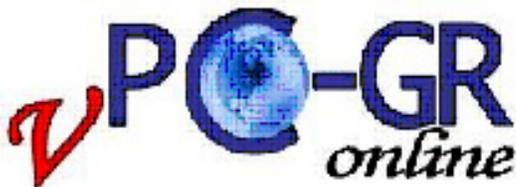
The Iowa National Guard Family Readiness Program will conduct its Annual State Family Readiness Training Conference and Youth Symposium **28-29 April 2012**, at Building S70, Freedom Center, Camp Dodge, 7105 NW 70th Ave, Johnston, IA 50131. This year's event will be a fun packed event for our Family Readiness Groups (FRGs), Service Members, Family Members (spouses, significant others, parents and siblings), and Volunteers of the Iowa National Guard. Our theme, *Resilient Families: Ability to Bounce Back & Thrive*, will be the focal point of the weekend guiding lectures, training and discussions. Command emphasis will ensure all Units and Bases are represented. The goal of the conference is to improve personal and family readiness of the Iowa National Guard.

All Service Members, Family Members, Volunteers of the Iowa National Guard are encouraged to attend. Attendees will be placed on Invitational Travel Orders. Travel, lodging and per

diem will be reimbursed in accordance with the Joint Federal Travel Regulations. Each adult delegate will complete the registration form prior to the conference. The registration forms may be mailed, faxed or emailed to the **State Family Program Office, 7105 NW 70th Ave, JFHQ, Room 186, Johnston, IA 50131 . F a x : 5 1 5 - 7 2 7 - 3 1 0 3 . E m a i l : shalee.torrence@us.army.mil. Registration deadline April 13, 2012.**

The Youth & Teen Symposium will conduct sessions for children and youth in grades K-12. Registration and release of liability forms must be completed by the parent or guardian for every youth/teen delegate prior to the symposium. All youth registrations should be returned by mail, fax or email to the attention of Jeremy VanWyk: **State Family Program Office, 7105 NW 70th Ave, JFHQ, Room 186, Johnston, IA 50131, Fax: 515-727-3103, Email: Jeremy.vanwyk@us.army.mil by April 13, 2012.**

Information regarding this event such as agendas and registration forms will also be available soon on the Iowa National Guard website at www.iowanationalguard.com. Hope to see you there!



"vPC-GR Basics" electronic Learning Tool (eLT)

New for Air National Guard (ANG) and Air Force Reserve (AFR) members...The "vPC-GR Basics" electronic Learning Tool (eLT). The first in a planned series of web-based interactive courses being developed for transformed personnel processes, this course gives you an overview of the virtual Personnel Center – Guard & Reserve (vPC-GR). It shows, through guided simulations, how to establish an account, use the dashboard, and manage action requests/work. vPC-GR provides the ANG and AFR online services for submitting personnel action requests, coordinating requests, and managing cases.

The eLT is available via the Advanced Distributed Learning Service (ADLS) website (<https://golearn.csd.disa.mil>). View it by going to the "Course List" page, where it's found under the "Miscellaneous" category.

PEOPLE

Movin' In

SSG	BELL, CRYSTAL D	MXM	A1C	BOSLEY, SUMMER R.	SFS
SSG	NEWTON, CHRISTOPHER J.	FSS	A1C	CLAUSSEN, NICHOLAS C.	MXA
SSG	NORTON, JEANNA L.	MDG	A1C	EDWARDS, MAX M.	MXM
SSG	SWANSON, DIANE L.	LRS	A1C	MADER, JONATHON M.	MXM
SSG	WETLAUFER, DEREK H.	SFS	A1C	REYMAN, CHARITY M	MXA
SrA	SCHNEIDER, JAMES R. II	SFS			

ADVERTISED EVENTS

March

Promotions:

TBA

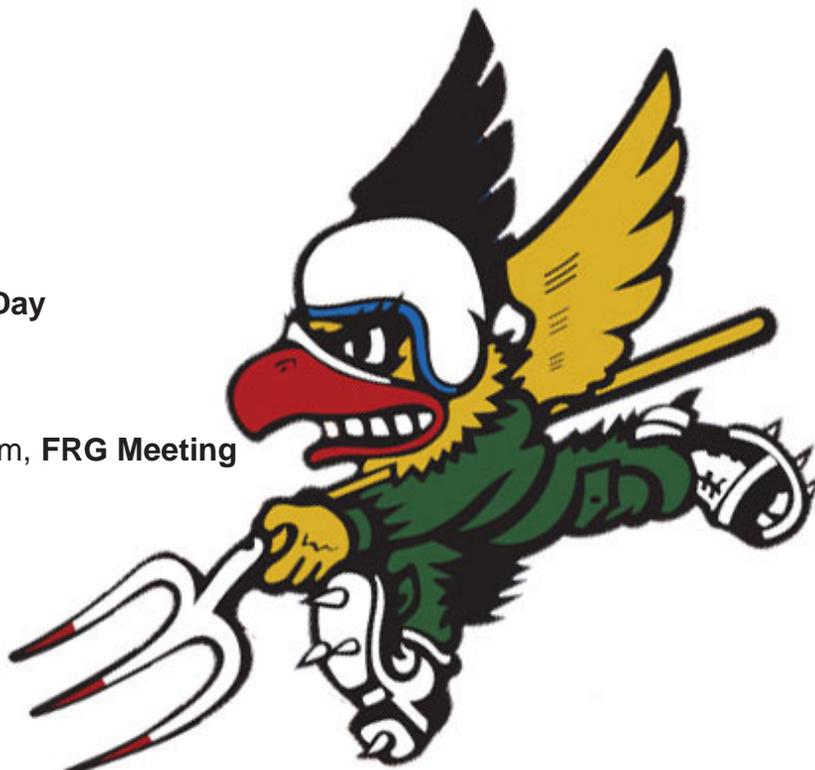
Retirements:

3/3 - 1430 - DFAC. **MSgt Jerry E. Roby**

3/4 - 1300/1500 - Open Trailer, **SMSgt Tim Day**

Other Events:

3/4 - 1330 - Bldg. 110, FSS Conference Room, **FRG Meeting**



April

Promotions:

TBA

Retirements:

Other Events:

4/14 - 1400 - Bldg 110 (Lawn area west of building) **Easter Egg Hunt**

PEOPLE

Movin' Up

to 1st Lt.

Gates, Brandon J.

to Master Sgt.

Anglick, Janel M.
Brownfield, Daniel M.
Castings, Gregory B.
Farrell, Geoffrey T.
Foster, Dean R.
Hedgecock, Jacob C.
King, Denver A.
Lang, Steven C.
Richardson, David E.J.
Strong, George A.
VerSteegh, Jeffrey D.

to Tech Sgt.

Stanford, Dana M.

to Staff Sgt.

Bontrager, Kendal J.
Carey, Andrew P.
Judge, Joshua M.
Kramer, Brandon A.
Mader, Anthony M.
Wilson, Matthew J.

to Senior Airman

Smart, Dustin M.
Waldschmidt, Ryan J.

to Airman 1st Class

Carlson, Ryan M.
Ferrell, Jennifer L.
Kvidera, Dakota L.
Lemaster, Zachariah L.
Sherman, Alexander M.
VanderPloeg, Daniel R.



Movin' On



MSgt. Jerry E. Roby