



# The **DANG TROTH**

166th Airlift Wing, Delaware Air National Guard - New Castle ANG Base, Delaware

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# UTA events

## April 8, Friday:

- PT testing, 7:30 a.m., Base Fitness Center
- PME, CDC and ECI Testing: 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., FSS, HQ, Bldg. 2600
- Restricted area badge photos, outprocessing, SFS, Bldg. 2703, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- Finance customer service: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; Bldg. 2600/Pay Section.
- First Sergeants Council mtg., Noon-2 p.m., Bldg 2600, Riley Rm.
- Wing Staff mtg., 2 p.m., Bldg. 2600, Loeffel Rm.; UTA Concept mtg. follows
- Company Grade Officer Council open forum, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., CE Break Rm.
- Junior Enlisted Council open forum, Noon-12:55 p.m., OPS Theater

## April 9, Saturday:

- PT testing, 7:30 a.m., Base Fitness Center
- PME, CDC and ECI Testing: 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., FSS, HQ, Bldg. 2600
- Restricted area badge photos, outprocessing, SFS, Bldg. 2703, 8-11:30 a.m./12:30-3:30 p.m.
- Rehearsal for Welcome Home & Dept. ceremony, Bldg. 2902, Main Hangar at 1:00 p.m.
- FSS Customer Service: 9 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.
- Finance Customer Service: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m, Bldg. 2600, Pay Section
- Chief's Council Meeting, 11:00 a.m.-12 p.m., CES Training Rm.
- Immunizations, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Clinic

## April 10, Sunday:

- PT testing, 7:30-9:30 a.m. & 9:30-11:30 a.m. Base Fitness Center
- Protestant Services, 7:30 a.m., S.A.T., Bldg. 2815
- Catholic Mass, 8:30 a.m., S.A.T., Bldg. 2815
- PERSCO training, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Bldg. 2600, Loeffel Rm.
- PME, CDC and ECI Testing: 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., FSS, Bldg. 2600
- PDF line 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
- Restricted Area Badge photos, outprocessing, SFS, Bldg. 2703, 8-11:30 a.m./12:30-3:30 p.m.
- FSS Customer Service: 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- Finance customer service: 9:30-11:30 a.m.
- Immunizations, Medical Clinic, 1-2 p.m.
- Welcome Home & Departure ceremony, Bldg 2902, Main Hangar at 2:00 p.m.

# Coming Events

- April 9:** Key Volunteer Annual training
- April 10:** Welcome Home & Dept. ceremony
- April 14:** Financial Lunch & Learn
- April 15-17:** Yellow Ribbon Post Deployment
- April 23:** DNG All Rank Military Ball

## UTA schedule FY2016

08-10 Apr 2016	09-10 Jul 2016
14-15 May 2016	05-07 Aug 2016
04-05 Jun 2016	None Sep 2016

# Career News March 2016

(Effective Mar. 2016 unless otherwise noted; personnel actions provided by Delaware ANG HQ and 166th Force Support Squadron)

## Appointed:

Scales, Maurice, Captain

## Promotions:

### To Lieutenant Colonel:

Andrew Sides, 166 OSS  
Eric Young, 142 AS  
Jason Strickland, 142 AS

### To Captain:

Walter Wilson, 142 AS  
Livier Vaughan, 166 MDG  
Alexander Sutherland, 142 AS  
Dawn Longfellow, 166 OSS  
Patricia Kelly, 142 AES  
Andrew Delguercio, 142 AS

### To Senior Master Sergeant:

James Gilbert, 166 MXO

### To Master Sergeant:

Donald Cramer, 166 SFS  
William McKaskle, 166 SFS  
Joseph Sparacio, 166 CES  
David Suh, 166 AMXS

### To Technical Sergeant:

Ebony Hill, 166 FSS  
Kevin Miller, 166 SFS

### To Staff Sergeant:

Yusef Abrams, 166 SFS  
Jason Ewing, 166 CES  
Stephen Frankovich, 166 CES

### To Senior Airman:

Jennifer Cleveland, 142 AES  
Francis Conda, 142 AS  
Shaundra Harley, 166 OSS  
Angel Agosto-Marrero, 166 SFS  
Khalil Phang, 166 CFT  
Preston Tallhamer, 166 SFS

## Enlistments:

Edward Burdick, A1C, 166 LRS  
Tiffany Christensen, A1C, 166 SFS  
Nicholas Hynson, A1C, 166 MXS  
Gerald Weaver, A1C, 142 AS  
Matthew Addezio, Senior Amn., 166 CES  
Matthew Gonzalez, Senior Amn., 166 CFT  
Terrinsa Matthews, Senior Amn. 166 MDG  
Tyler Mau, Senior Amn., 166 CES  
Ameen Walston, Senior Amn., 166 FSS

## Retirements:

Reneski, Michael, Lt. Col., 142 AS  
Ayers, Shannon, Major, 142 AS  
Litchner, Gregory, Master Sgt. 166 CES

## DE ANG Recruiting

1-800-742-6713, 1-866-NOW-DANG, or  
Local (302) 323-3444

## DE ANG Retention

(302) 323-3413

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[www.166aw.ang.af.mil](http://www.166aw.ang.af.mil)

166AW Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/166thAirliftWing](http://www.facebook.com/166thAirliftWing)

166AW YouTube page:

[www.youtube.com/channel/UCBthSguwq9CkpF-CbsXENAQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBthSguwq9CkpF-CbsXENAQ)

166AW DVIDS page:

[www.dvidshub.net/unit/166AW-DANG](http://www.dvidshub.net/unit/166AW-DANG)

DE Air Guard Recruiting Facebook page:

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## Officer jobs

[www.delawarenationalguard.com/join/air/air\\_officer/](http://www.delawarenationalguard.com/join/air/air_officer/)

## Enlisted jobs

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For career descriptions: [www.goang.com](http://www.goang.com).

## On the cover:

**Lieutenant Colonel Arne Kolbjornsen, director of operations, 142nd Airlift Squadron, hugs his daughter after returning home from a deployment to Southwest Asia on March 7, 2016. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Andrew Horgan)**

Sign up for the DNG Military Ball online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-delaware-national-guard-2016-all-ranks-military-ball-tickets-15521579462>



# Delaware Joining Forces

**by Ms. Christine Kubik**  
*Delaware National Guard,  
Community Relations Specialist*

Hello, I am your Delaware National Guard Community Relations Specialist.

I want to spread the word about the Delaware Joining Forces and what services it provides for service members, veterans and their families.

DJF is a collaborative effort led by several state agencies, including the Delaware National Guard, Delaware Health and Social Services, and the Delaware Commission of Veteran Affairs.

Delaware Joining Forces is a network of state agencies and external service providers that directly supports military service members, veterans and their families in the areas of behavioral health, education, employment, faith, financial, homelessness, housing, legal, military youth, and wellness.

We specialize in providing an approach to provide solutions for service members to include identifying needs and immediate hard-



**Christine Kubik**

ships, assist in creating sustainable short and long term plans, assist in creating an action plan for establishing housing, employment needs, resolving legal issues, financial issues and help support physical, mental and social health.

There are over 140 providers in our community network ready to assist our Soldiers and Airmen.

If you need additional assistance please contact me at christine.f.kubik.nfg@mail.mil or at 302-326-7582.

166th Airlift Wing leadership

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*Commander*

**Col. David Walker**

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### **Wing Mission Statement:**

The mission of the 166th Airlift Wing is to provide tactical airlift and airdrop of troops, cargo and passengers using C-130 aircraft, plus aeromedical evacuation, civil engineer and network warfare functions.

### **Wing Vision Statement:**

To be ready, relevant, and reliable Airmen who are highly trained and motivated to aid the state and nation.

# Welcome Home Airmen

by 1Lt. Valerie Harwood  
*Wing Public Affairs*

Families cheered as they watched their loves ones arrive home via Delaware Air National Guard C-130Hs on March 7, March 8 and March 10, 2016.

Around 130 Airmen have returned home from deployments to Southwest Asia and Europe in support of Operation Freedom Sentinel.

Approximately 150 Airmen are still deployed to various overseas locations.

Staff Sgt. Mikhiel Canady, 166th Maintenance Squadron, met his two month old son, Phoenix, for the first time on March 10. He was also greeted by his wife, Pamela, two-year-old son Mikhiel, Jr., and his mother, Mary.



Delaware Air National Guard families hold signs to show their support for returning family members on March 8, 2016.

*U.S. Air National Guard photos by 1st Lt. Valerie Harwood*



Staff Sgt. Mikhiel Canady, fuel system mechanic, 166th Maintenance Squadron meets his new born son, Phoenix for the first time when he returned home from Southwest Asia on March 10, 2016. His first gift for his son was a

# Welcome Home Airmen cont.



Children run towards their father, Major Robert Damon as he walked from the flightline to a crowd of family and friends. Damon is one of 30 Airmen who returned home on March 10, 2016 from a deployment to Southwest Asia.

*U.S. Air National Guard photos by 1st Lt. Valerie Harwood*



Families and friends eagerly waited for their deployed Delaware Air National Guard family members to return home on a C-130H into the New Castle County airport on March 8, 2016.

# Total Force Integration

by **1Lt. Valerie Harwood**  
*Wing Public Affairs*

Total Force Integration is being implemented at Dover AFB, Delaware.

The first total force integrated Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Leadership course was held at Dover AFB, Delaware on March 19 and March 20, 2016.

This two day course provided Senior NCO's the opportunity to explore in depth communication, trust, teamwork and current AFRC leadership issues and initiatives.

This course uses lecture, discussions and experiential learning techniques to

convey topic techniques followed with an analysis and feedback discussion.

Attendees conducted a personalized assessment of their own leadership abilities and skills.

"This is the first time Dover has hosted all three components in a single Senior NCO leadership course," said Senior Master Sgt. David Jackson, Chief of Force Development, 512th Airlift Wing.

Chief Master Sgt. Brad Ferguson, command chief, 512th Airlift Wing, spearheaded the initiative to combine forces to include active duty, Air Force reserves, and the Delaware Air National Guard in this SNCO leadership course.

Out of the 26 senior NCO's who participated in this course, four were Delaware ANG Airmen, Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Rutt, Senior Master Sgt. Troy Houston, Senior Master Sgt. Charles Reburn and Master Sgt. James Skilling.

According to the 512th Airlift Wing Commander, Colonel Scott Durham, this is just one more way to develop the Wing into making us 'Liberty Strong'."

"I realized very early in my career as a Lieutenant that my senior NCO's understood the mission," said Durham. "Integrating the senior NCO course broadens their understanding of how sister services work and expands their networking Air Force wide."



U.S. Air National Guard photo by 1st Lt. Valerie Harwood

**March 2016 Senior NCO leadership course graduates pose with their instructors at Dover AFB, Del. Included in this photo are four Delaware Air National Guard Airmen, Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Rutt, Senior Master Sgt. Troy Houston, Senior Master Sgt. Charles Reburn and Master Sgt. James Skilling.**

# Newest DLA graduates



U.S. Army National Guard photo by 2nd Lt. Wendy Callaway

Members of Delaware Leadership Academy Class 7; Chief Warrant Officer 4 Dane Dougherty, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Tony Lane, Staff Sgt. Elizabeth McDaniel, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Robert Wilson, Sgt. Stephanie Blackman, Sgt. 1st Class Andrew Parsons, 1st Lt. Leeihnae Reese, and Sgt. Maj. Jerold Huber. (Not pictured are; Senior Master Sgt. Summer Brown, Staff Sgt. Sophia Mantzouris, and Command Sgt. Maj. William McDaniel)

by Staff Sgt. Nathan Bright  
Wing Public Affairs

The Delaware Leadership Academy held its seventh graduation ceremony on March 18, 2016 in the Loeffel Room of the 166th Airlift Wing headquarters. Eight of the 11 graduates were on hand to receive their certificates and be rec-

ognized for completing the graduate level program.

The ceremony was marked by two special events. Dr. Clinton Robertson, Wilmington University professor and Director of Masters Business Programs, was presented the Delaware Distinguished Service Medal for his

work on getting the DLA program accepted by Wilmington University. He has then maintained that relationship for the past seven graduating classes.

U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Elizabeth McDaniel was presented the inaugural Lt. Col. (ret.) Andy Hartnett Award. Hartnett constructed the DLA program and guided it until his death in January 2016. The award recognizes the student that best represents Hartnett's passion for helping fellow Guardsmen and is voted upon by the graduating class members.



U.S. Army National Guard photo by 2nd Lt. Wendy Callaway

Major Gen. Frank Vavala and Mrs. Pat Hartnett (widow of the late Andy Hartnett) present Staff Sgt. Elizabeth McDaniel with the Andy Hartnett Award on Friday, March 18, 2016.

The DLA Class of 2016 included a married couple, a pair of students who completed the course while deployed overseas, and students ranging from E-5 to E-9 and O-1 to CW-4. Students will complete six modules over the course of the academic year, focusing on communication for military leadership, joint force operations, and strategic and military leadership. The program culminates in a capstone event centered on crisis leadership.