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## ASEV done & won! Excellence earned in AMC Aircrew Standardization & Evaluation Visit

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Being declared “Mission Ready” is the end goal of every ASEV – Aircrew Standardization and Evaluation Visit – and the 166th Airlift Wing has once again earned that recognition of accomplishment and preparedness in the overall assessment of the wing provided by the HQ Air Mobility Command Inspector General Team.

Over 200 Airmen in the 166th Operations group were closely inspected in the every five year process to evaluate how aircrew from the wing perform their duties and responsibilities on the ground, in-flight and administratively. Examiners check to ensure crews accomplish their jobs safely and according to regulatory and flight-manual



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**C-130s on the ramp at the New Castle Air National Guard Base as seen from the air traffic control tower, New Castle Airport, April 5, 2012.**

guidance, and to measure the wing’s capability of performing its assigned airlift mission.

The full-blown ASEV visit by the entire AMC team to the New Castle Air

National Guard Base to inspect the wing began April 11 and ended on April 18, but the 166th Operations Group has been

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**Twenty-one runners set off at the start of the 5K Fun Run sponsored by the 166th Maintenance Group’s First Six Council April 14 during the UTA. Airmen from various wing groups, squadrons and flights participated.**

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## May UTA events

### May 4, Friday:

- **PT Testing:** 0730-0930, Wm. Penn H.S. (arrive at 0715; all participants testing must be in a military status approved by their unit)

### May 5, Saturday:

- **PT Testing:** 0730-0930, Wm. Penn H.S.
- **Protestant Services:** 0745-0800, Bldg. 2815, SAT Hangar
- **Catholic Mass:** 0830-0930, Bldg. 2815, SAT Hangar (Small Air Terminal)
- **Promotion Ceremony:** Chief Master Sgt. Shawn Conrad, 166 SFS, Bldg. 2600, Loeffel Room

### May 6, Sunday:

- **PT Testing:** 0730-0930, Wm. Penn H.S.
- **DNG Plane Pull,** 0700-1400, Flight Line. Benefits Special Olympics Delaware.

## Coming events

**May 16: Kiwanis Armed Forces Day Luncheon** (reservations due May 9), The Hotel Dupont, 11th & Market Streets, Wilm., 1200-1330, Wed.

**June 4: Wing change of command ceremony,** 1400. Main Hangar, Bldg. 2902

**June 4-10: MDG Joint Response,** NCCA and BBTS

**June 13: Unity Day,** Delaware National Guard, 1130-1300, Smyrna Readiness Center

**Aug. 3-10: Operational Readiness Exercise,** 166th Airlift Wing, Alpena CRTC, Mich.

## UTA schedule 2012:

05-06 May 2012	04-05 Aug 2012
02-03 Jun 2012	15-16 Sep 2012
14-15 Jul 2012	

## Medical field job openings

We are hiring for officers in these fields:

- **Flight Nurse** (142nd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron\*)
- **Emergency Services Physicians** (166th Medical Group\*\*)
- **GMO Flight Surgeon\*\***
- **Internist\*\***
- **Operating Room Nurse\*\***
- **Orthopedic Surgeon\*\***
- **Physician Assistant\*\***
- **Surgeon\*\***
- **Aerospace Medical Specialist\*\***
- **Anesthesiologist\*\***

Officer postings: [http://www.delaware-nationalguard.com/join/air/air\\_officer/](http://www.delaware-nationalguard.com/join/air/air_officer/)

## Officer positions (non-medical)

Communications and Information Officer (traditional position): 166th NWS, AFSC 17D3B, Closeout Date: 9 May 12, Authorized Grade: Major.

## Enlisted jobs

We are hiring for over 40 enlisted job specialties. Details at [http://www.delaware-nationalguard.com/join/air/air\\_enlisted/](http://www.delaware-nationalguard.com/join/air/air_enlisted/)

## Future PT Testing Days

(schedule testing thru Unit Fitness Monitor; meet at Wm. Penn H.S. track at 0715, test 0730-0930, wear official AF PT uniform)

May 4-6 (Fri-Sat-Sun of UTA)

May 24 (Thursday)

June 1-3 (Fr-Sat-Sun of UTA)

June 27 (Wednesday)

Note: Per Master Sgt. Monica Peterson, 166th Force Support Sq., Wing Fitness POC, the test dates appear on the DATE and in the OPORD.

## DE ANG Recruiting:

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

## DE ANG Retention:

(302) 323-3413

## Web Resources:

**166AW Air Force Public Web site:**  
[www.166aw.af.mil](http://www.166aw.af.mil)

**166AW Facebook page:**  
[www.facebook.com/166thAirliftWing](http://www.facebook.com/166thAirliftWing)

**Public web site, DE National Guard:**  
[www.DelawareNationalGuard.com](http://www.DelawareNationalGuard.com)

**DNG Facebook page:**  
[www.facebook.com/DelawareNationalGuard](http://www.facebook.com/DelawareNationalGuard)

# Personnel actions April 2012

## Enlistments:

Airman 1st Class Robert Adams, 166 LRS  
Airman 1st Class Andrew Allen, 166 MOF

## Promotions:

**To Chief Master Sgt.**

Shawn Conrad, 166 SFS

**To Senior Master Sergeant:**

Francis Young, 166 166 LRS

**To Master Sergeant:**

Spencer Gregory, 166 NWS

Carrie Inge, 142 AES

Stacey Mitchell, 142 AES

**To Technical Sergeant:**

Barbara Brown, 166 MDG

Marie Conway, 166 AW

Khali Ruffin, 166 MXS

**To Staff Sergeant:**

Jessica Bignaut, 142 LRS

Adam Lewellen, 166 SFS

**To Senior Airman:**

Jithan John, 166 CES

Antonio Kemp, 166 CES

## Retirements:

James King, Captain, 142 AS

Renee McGee, Master Sgt., 166 OG

Elda Wilson, Master Sgt., 166 AW

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a buzz of activity since the start of the New Year when some portions of the evaluations began.

The AMC HQ IG team grades directive/program compliance and aircrew performance through flight evaluations and testing. Program grading covers four main areas, and is based on a five tier system; Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Marginal, and Unsatisfactory. The final unit grade is either Mission Ready or Unsatisfactory.

During the April 18 out-brief to

the wing, AMC IG Team Chief Lt. Col. Matthew Holm, after noting that three of the four major graded areas received a Satisfactory rating, and one major graded area received an Excellent rating, said, "Satisfactory is good, and I am glad to see you applauding, Brig. Gen. Timmons!" as he took note of Brig. Gen. Carol Timmons' reaction to his concluding remarks.

"Yeah!" declared Gen. Timmons, the Assistant Adjutant General for Air, Delaware National Guard, as she addressed wing members after the departure of the inspectors. "Good job!

Great job! Me and Jon [Col. Jonathan Groff, wing commander] weren't worried about it. We know you can fly and we know you can do the mission."

"This was the culmination of two years of preparation. The bookwork was outstanding, and so were the aircrews," said Col. Jonathan Groff.

There are four graded areas; Aircrew Performance, Tactics, Training and Stan/Eval (Standardization/Evaluation).

Aircrew Performance received an overall grade of EXCELLENT. It is

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U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Benjamin Matwey

## Recruiting team reaching out to our community

Members of the Delaware Air National Guard Recruiting Team; Left to Right: Recruiting Office Supervisor Master Sgt. Tanya Harris with new production recruiters Tech. Sgt. Samuel Lewis, Tech. Sgt. Terrence Parker and Tech. Sgt. Kristin Favors as they are introduced during a 166th Airlift Wing staff meeting on March 2, 2012.



*(U.S. Air Force photo/Master Sgt. Andy Dunaway. Illustration by Tech. Sgt. Benjamin Matwey)*

Airman 1st Class Kelliea Guthrie (left) and Senior Airman Greg Ellis provide security April 23, 2008 for a Delaware Air National Guard C-130 Hercules aircraft during a cargo mission at Feyzabab Airfield in Afghanistan. Both Airmen are part of the fly-away security forces team assigned to the 455th Expeditionary Security Forces.

## Wing Facebook page approaches 500 page “Likes,” surpasses 3,700 people reached a week

by **Tech. Sgt. Benjamin Matwey**  
166th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The week leading up to the May 5-6, 2012 Unit Training Assembly we reached 490 page “Likes” on the 166th Airlift Wing Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/166thAirliftWing](http://www.facebook.com/166thAirliftWing). Within a matter of days the page should surpass 500 Likes.

In the first week in May the page had just over 100 people in the “People Talking About This” page category, and just over 300 people in the “Were Here” category; each number is a good trend.

Other positive trends show up in Facebook “Insights,” metrics that measure visitor interaction with a page. There were 3,770 people reached the week ending May 4, 2012, breaking the old record of 2,421 people reached the week ending April 17, 2012. The milestone of 1,000 people reached was passed in early April, the ninth month our page has been in operation.

Our wing page has maintained its position in the top half of all ANG C-130 airlift wings in page Likes, and is on the way to surpassing one additional sister ANG C-130 airlift wing in

page Likes before the end of the year. More important, we hope this page proves to be a valuable communication tool for our members, their families and the community in the digital age.



*(U.S. Air Force photo/courtesy 166th Airlift Wing Junior Enlisted Council)*

## Socializing on Ice

Enjoying the Junior Enlisted Council Italian Water Ice Social, April 14, 2012.

### **ASEV Details, cont. from page 3**

comprised of two sub-sections: Aircrew Performance, with a combined average score of 96.93 percent on the closed book exams and the open book exams, and Flight Evaluations, with 35 flight evaluations, and no downgrades on any flight areas. One pilot, Maj. Jason Strickland, was rated exceptionally qualified.

Tactics received an overall grade of SATISFACTORY. There are six programs: Staffing, Functions and Responsibilities; Mission Planning, Deployment and Execution; Improvement and Assessment Program Administration; Electronic Combat Officer Duties; Formal/Unit Training; and Joint Airdrop Inspection.

Training received an overall grade of SATISFACTORY: There are seven programs; Administration; Training Review Panel; Training Folders; Qualification Training; Continuation Training; Host Aviation Resource Management; and Squadron Aviation Resource Management.

Stan/Eval received an overall grade of SATISFACTORY: There are four programs; Stan/Eval Administration; Flight Evaluation Folders; Go/No-Go; and Aeromedical Equipment. The Aeromedical Equipment program received an EXCELLENT rating, with five individuals pointed out by name by the AMC HQ IG Team Chief for exceptional performance; they are Capt. Maureen Mulrooney, 2nd

Lt. Tim Stoeckle, Tech. Sgt. Tonya Ingram, Tech. Sgt. Thomas Vaughan, and Senior Airman Ronald Sereny.

Other top performers mentioned by name by the IG Team: Senior Master Sgt. Jamie Kohr of the 166th Operations Group and Staff Sgt. Thomas Morris of the 142nd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.

The team gave Special Recognition to Maj. Jeremy Mertz for providing excellent support of the IG Team.

The unit has performed well on their last two ASEVs; after the June 2006 and June 2002 ASEVs, the flying units of the 166th OG received ratings of excellent on their overall flying performance, and the wing received a final grade of "Mission Ready" in each of those years.



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## **Delaware Air National Guard Airmen of the Year**

Delaware Air National Guard Outstanding Airmen of the Year for FY 2011; Left to Right: Airman of the Year: Senior Airman Desmond Overton, 166th Security Forces Squadron; NCO of the Year: Staff Sgt. Jomarr Hatten, 166th Logistics Readiness Squadron; First Sergeant of the Year: Master Sgt. Francis (John) Young, 166th Logistics Readiness Squadron; Honor Guard Member of the Year: Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Lee, 166th Maintenance Squadron; and Senior NCO of the Year: Master Sgt. Samuel Lewis, 166th Logistics Readiness Squadron (now a recruiter in the Delaware ANG). In the background are 166th Airlift Wing C-130s on the ramp at the New Castle ANG Base, New Castle Airport, New Castle, Delaware on April 15, 2012.