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OPERATION GEMINI

Delaware Air National Guardsmen enhance readiness through Air Mobility Command graded exercise.



NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – A member of the 142nd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron secures a manikin on a cot in a C-130 Hercules aircraft. Properly securing patients in the aircraft helps prevent further injury. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Mackenzie Snyder)

After years of planning, preparation and training the 166th Airlift Wing (AW) at the New Castle Delaware Air National Guard Base performed the Air Mobility Command (AMC) graded exercise “Operation Gemini” during June’s Regularly Scheduled Drill, (RSD) 2022, aimed to demonstrate the unit’s Total Force Readiness as well as its ability to operate effectively during the harsh challenges in an overseas deployment.

The Operation Gemini exercise spanned across the entire Delaware Air National Guard Base where various simulated threats such as fires and opposing forces on foot and in air including Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive attacks (CBRNE) while Guardsmen were tasked to carry out force protection, medical response, fire elimination and evacuation procedures. To combat CBRNE attacks Guardsmen utilize Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP) Gear to maintain 100% functionality on base.

Security Forces personnel responded to and prevented base breaches from opposing forces in different areas and facilities. “Our unit’s role is to protect base personnel

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept RSD	Family Day	NCCA
17-Dec	Military Ball	NCCA
17-18 October	TRIAD Conference	
17-23 Aug 2023	UEI Capstone	NCCA

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...And that's the DANG Truth!



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NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – Members of the 166th Airlift Wing Security Forces Squadron transport a wounded team member during an exercise at the New Castle Air National Guard Base, Del., June 6, 2022. The exercise, a part of Operation Gemini, ensures airmen are always trained and mission ready. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Mackenzie Snyder)

“Our Security Forces Airmen have been trained to handle a variety of threats and this exercise affords them the opportunity to showcase their ability to react and respond ...



NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – Two Delaware Air National Guard C-130H2.5 aircraft taxi for takeoff. Configured for aeromedical evacuation, these aircraft were outbound toward a critical care medical facility at an air base that was far from the simulated war zone. The Operation Gemini exercise included simulated missile attacks, chemical and biological attacks, damage to the airfield, aeromedical evacuation of casualties, and response to enemy incursion. The purpose of this exercise was to provide all members of the Delaware Air National Guard with a greater awareness and understanding of the threats and capabilities posed by our potential adversaries. The exercise took place on June 4 -7, 2022. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Mr. Mitch Topal)

and assets [by providing] secure base access points and [responding] to neutralize threats as needed” said 166th AW Security Forces Squadron Leader TSgt. Robert Kranz. The various challenges that Kranz and his team faced serve as a reminder that total force readiness is of the utmost importance. “Our Security Forces Airmen have been trained to handle a variety of threats and this exercise affords them the opportunity to showcase their ability to react and respond to threats effectively and to hone their skills to respond to potential threats in the future.” The dual status nature of the “Citizen Airmen” in the Air National Guard means that everyone has that much more to offer the group from their professional experience outside of the military. Kranz believes



NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – A member of the 166th Airlift Wing secures a marked perimeter around an unexploded ordnance on the flight line during Operation Gemini at the New Castle Air National Guard Base, Del., June 6, 2022. The exercise ensures all airmen are always mission ready. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Mackenzie Snyder)

this will help Airmen in this training and in the future “We are looking forward to showcasing our unit’s wealth of knowledge garnered through years of experience in the civilian law enforcement, prior military experience in each of the branches of the Armed Forces and multiple Air Force Security Forces deployments.”

In April 2022 the 166th AW Civil Engineering Squadron (CES) Fire Department (FDP) was awarded the 2021 Air National Guard Fire Department of the Year Award. “This award was very competitive against all Air National Guard units in the United States,” said Assistant Chief of Training for the 166th CES FDP MSgt Michael Berth. “This is a big deal and under the leadership of Fire Chief James Knightly, we have achieved this award within a few years.” During Operation Gemini firefighters combined their knowledge of fire protection and CBRNE threats to properly respond. Berth

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NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – During Exercise Gemini, members of the 166th Medical Group attend to an Airman wounded during a simulated missile attack on the engine shop. The exercise included several simulated missile attacks, chemical and biological attacks, damage to the airfield, aeromedical evacuation of casualties, and response to enemy incursion. The four-day Air Mobility Command graded Ability to Survive and Operate (ATSO) exercise was held during June’s Regularly Scheduled Drill. The exercise demonstrated the unit’s Total Force Readiness as well as its ability to operate effectively during the harsh challenges in an overseas deployment. The 166th showcased it’s Full Spectrum Readiness: Survive, operate anywhere, anytime. The exercise took place on June 4 -7, 2022. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Mr. Mitch Topal)



NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – Members of the 166th Maintenance Group’s propulsion unit act as if wounded following a simulated missile attack on the engine shop. The exercise included several simulated missile attacks, chemical and biological attacks, damage to the airfield, aeromedical evacuation of casualties, and response to enemy incursion. The purpose of this exercise was to provide all members of the Delaware Air National Guard with a greater awareness and understanding of the threats and capabilities posed by our potential adversaries. The exercise took place on June 4 -7, 2022. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Mr. Mitch Topal)

acknowledges the additional challenges that Guardsmen face in exercises like Operation Gemini but he still holds them to a high standard, especially coming off such a prestigious award. “The fire department will be [tested] on our knowledge of different CBRN MOPP levels and quickly and efficiently exchanging from lower MOPP levels to higher MOPP levels [to the] eventual combination of MOPP 4 and wearing structural firefighting gear,” said Berth. For normal firefighting operations Guardsmen carry a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) on their backs which weighs around 11 pounds in addition to this firefighters wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) that weighs in at 45 pounds. PPE protects firefighters from threats they face while responding to crisis, the gear works as an insulator; while temperatures on the outside increase the gear will reach up to 160 degrees on the inside. During this simulation Guardsmen will don their traditional PPE with additional MOPP gear that weighs 15 pounds ,insulating even more heat. Berth spoke on these challenges “ This difficult and challenging operation is taxing but is required [to maintain] Air Force standards. We will need to perform all firefighting skills for a structural emergency or aircraft emergency in full MOPP gear plus [with] the firefighting gear applied. Some of our firefighting skills are to rescue victims, perform search and rescue tactics, advance hose lines into a structure fire as well as ventilation, salvage and overhaul operations. All of these mentioned skills are done while in MOPP 4 with PPE worn.” The services provided by the 166th Fire Department include: fire suppression, hazardous materials response, emergency medical response, aircraft

rescue and technical rescue while providing command and control. The fire department services the aircraft, airfield, buildings on base and all military personnel. As Berth said “We are [one of] the primary 9-1-1 for the 166th Airlift Wing.”

The 166th AW works at a state and federal level no matter how ambitious the task. Total Force Readiness remains as one of the top priorities for the Delaware Air National Guard. Across all units Operation Gemini proved to be an opportunity to show the resiliency of the “Citizen Airmen” in the Delaware Air National Guard.



NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del – Members of the 166th Airlift Wing Security Forces Squadron participate in an exercise part of Operation Gemini at the New Castle Air National Guard Base, Del., June 6, 2022. The exercise prepares the airmen for engagement with enemy forces during deployment. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Mackenzie Snyder)

166th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight Fort Indiantown Gap, Pa. Regional Training Exercise

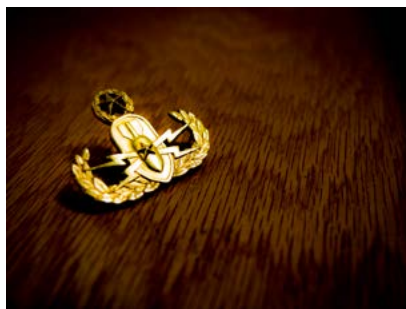


The 166th Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Flight hosted an Air National Guard EOD Regional Training Site multi-day Field Training Exercise (FTX) held at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania from 11-21 May 2022. The FTX was designed to provide EOD Airmen with an environment to train on tasks that cannot otherwise be accomplished at home station due to a lack of equipment, manpower, proper training areas, proper training aids, vehicles, and/or seasoned instructors.

Twenty-two EOD personnel from eight separate Flights and nine members from C Company 1/126 Medevac Unit trained simultaneously during the

exercise. Each team was given an Observer/Controller (OC) during training iterations. OCs provided the teams with realistic scenarios, and seasoned EOD experience along with constructive feedback during exercises. During the training event, one member of the 166 CES/CED Flight was reenlisted.

The training that was completed included Advanced Demolition and Explosive Techniques, Post Blast Analysis, Tactical Combat Casualty Care, Medevac 9-Line, Helicopter Hoisting Operations, Permissive and Non-Permissive EOD operations, and Rapid Explosive Hazard Mitigation.



AIRMAN SPOTLIGHT

Technical Sergeant Jasmine French

166th Medical Group Aerospace Medical Technician

Tech Sergeant Jasmine French is a medical technician who is not afraid to jump in to help whenever the need arises. “We like to think of medics as jacks-of-all-trades. Able to fit in wherever necessary for the mission” TSgt. French noted. She is a skilled medic who stepped up to fill a shortage of lab personnel, performing over 100 lab tests (blood draws). She also screened more than 56 Preventative Health Assessment Questionnaires (PHAQs) and drove the mission-ready air wing Individual Medical Readiness (IMR) rating to over 75%.

In addition, TSgt. French volunteered to coordinate wing COVID vaccination support for Air Force short mandate, achieving a 95% rating for Department of Defense suspense.

TSgt. French was recently named NCO of the Quarter.

A stealth leader, TSgt. French assumed the role as Flight and Operational Medical (FOMT) for medical support for 1,100 Air Wing personnel and maintained an air wing IMR rating greater than 80%, putting the DANG in the top 25%. TSgt. French also played a crucial role in the physical exam process when she teamed with 15 personnel to see more than 200 patients. Ultimately, this led to an 82% air wing deployability rate.

TSgt. French exemplifies the Whole Airman Concept, acting as a By Name Request Medic for three Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal exercises, providing standby medical care for 20 personnel vital to EOD mission operations. The unexploded ordnance (UXOs) were cleared with no mishap.

Always striving to be a mission-ready Airman, TSgt. French attended formal UTC training and volunteered for Operation Arctic Eagle Patriot in Alaska, for which she was coined by the



National Guard Bureau.

As a unit representative for the Wing CC planning committee, she coordinated and ensured unit participation for more than 300 attendees, and was lauded by Wing CC.

As a drill-status Airman, TSgt. French comes in for extra orders, to help in the clinic and provide assistance to the full-time staff. “They’re always super busy; very task saturated.” explained TSgt. French. “I think it’s a good thing to have extra help. We have around 1,000 Airmen on base so there is a lot of paperwork that needs to be uploaded, like health assessments and patient records.”

From 23-Feb to 6-March, she deployed to Alaska for Operation Arctic Eagle, an exercise very focused on patient movement. “Most of us in the Med Group were assigned as a package. We deployed an ERPSS – enroute patient staging system. They needed to set up in a couple of hours and hold patients for a maximum of six hours.

Then we load them onto a plane or vehicle so they can get to a higher echelon of care.”

“During Operation Gemini, [which was held during the June 2022 RSD] the 166th Medical Group was doing a lot of deployment-related stuff. People were going through the PDF line, on top of the usual medical taskings,” explained TSgt. French.

During the exercise, the Medical Group stabilized patients, handled triage, and decided what type of facility the patients should go to next. “It was also very focused on patient movement,” said TSgt. French.

Outside of work TSgt. French likes to travel, and goes to Florida for a week or two to visit family and friends. She is also considering getting her RN, and commissioning.



Promotions & Retirements

June 2022

Promotions

Michael J. Condon to Capt
Scott Husler to SMSgt
Matthew Begany to MSgt
Thomas Yancey to MSgt
Michael Carl to TSgt
Richard Donahue to TSgt
Jasmine French to TSgt
Matthew Jackson to TSgt
Florence Bona to SSgt
Jesse Mcneir to SSgt
Hannah Rackie to SSgt
Josette Santana to SSgt
Justin Fleming to SrA
Francis Hamer to SrA
Daniel Rutledge to SrA

Retirements

Capt Jermaine Gibson 166 COS
MSgt Laveil Ricks 166 LRS
TSgt Kelly Harp 142 AES
TSgt William Trautmann 166 CES



Mock Boards & Mock Interviews

By Senior Master Sergeant Faith C. Fleischman
166 AW Human Resource Advisor



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In addition to Diversity and Inclusion courses, the Human Resource Advisor Program also offers Professional Development assistance and support. Preparing for your next big promotion or promotion board? The Human Resource Advisor can help!

Professional Development is important for all Airmen and helps us continue to not only be competent in our professions, but also excel in it. Professional Development refers to continuing education and career training in order to help Airmen develop new skills, stay up to-date on current trends and advance your career. Interviews and boards are

a part of our professional development and can be a stressful and nerve-wrecking experience for some Airmen. A simple way to enhance your skills and set yourself up for future success is to practice or “mock” these experiences before the big event.

Mock interviews and mock boards are an efficient way to closely replicate the actual board experience, and increase your confidence to the next level. They’re an excellent source for honest feedback to help you prepare for the real thing. Mock boards and even mock interviews are used to help you work through your anxiety and become more confident and comfortable in the dialogue.

Mock Board and mock interview evaluations can include the following subject areas: personal appearance, conversation skills and board interaction, knowledge of current world events, awareness of military programs, overall military knowledge, and an Airman’s attitude.

If you are scheduled to appear before a promotion board or any other type of board, be prepared because the competition could be intense. Set yourself up for success! Review your records well in advance of any interview or board appearance. Ensure you allow yourself plenty of time to study – obtain a study guide and get a study buddy. Practice potential interview/board questions with others. Know your Air Force

Core Values and which one is most important to you, know “the little brown book!” Be sure to be well groomed and have your uniform ready early on and is in accordance with AFI 36-2903. Have your opening statement prepared ahead of time – practice it out loud. Those first impressions are important!

If you’d like to learn more about how the HRA can assist with your Professional Development, swing by my office or send me an email. Also, don’t forget the HRA Diversity & Inclusion series courses are offered to the Wing every Saturday and Sunday of RSD at 1300. Check the RSD Plan and monthly email for locations. See you there!

Feathers of the Wing

A historical perspective by BG (Ret.) Kennard Wiggins, Curator of the Delaware Military Museum

Korean War Deeds

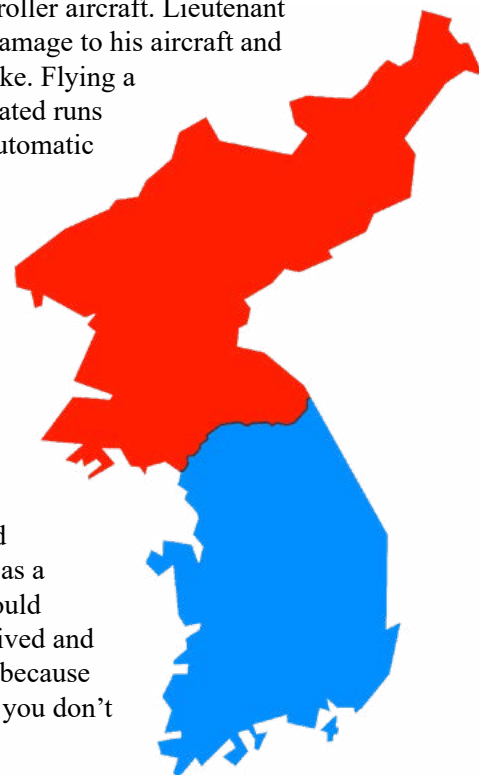
September 1949 and Summer Encampment 13-27 August 1949



Korean War veteran William F. Hutchison Jr. descends from his F-86H Sabre jet "The Ol Gerr" sometime in the late 1950's/early 1960's. Hutchison would become Air Commander for the 166th for most of the 1970's as the unit flew C-130As in the tactical airlift mission.

Dispatched to Korea in 1951, William F. Hutchison Jr. flew 87 combat missions in F-84s. He led repeated raids through intense enemy fire, often returning with holes in fuselage and wings. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, multiple air medals and an Army Commendation Medal.

Hutchison's Distinguished Flying Cross citation reads, "For extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight over enemy held territory as leader of four F-84's on a close support mission near Changjon Korea on June 24, 1951. While orbiting the assigned target of enemy bunkers the enemy sent up a volley of flak and small arms fire which damaged Lieutenant Hutchison's aircraft and also the controller aircraft. Lieutenant Hutchison assessed the damage to his aircraft and chose to continue the strike. Flying a damaged aircraft on repeated runs through intense enemy automatic weapons fire, Lieutenant Hutchison led his flight toward the destruction of nine enemy bunkers."



William F. Hutchison recalled, "The Korean War called Delawareans to active duty. In our state, our air defense missions were flown around the clock. I arrived in Korea to find my unit commanded by the 142nd commander, Lieutenant Colonel J. Ross ("The Boss") Adams. Al Thawley, from Rehoboth, had been shot down that morning and was evading the North Koreans on an ice floe in the China Sea. Delaware flight commanders John Schobeleck and Joe Martin were strafing the Chinese attempting to capture him. Ed Atkinson, Maintenance Officer, of the famed 4th Fighter Group, kept the F-84s refueled as a continuing stream of fighters headed north to protect Thawley until rescue helicopters could arrive. Joe Martin, Delawarean was still overhead Thawley while the rescue chopper arrived and began to pick up ground fire from menacing Chinese. The chopper pilot began to waver because of the ground fire. He circled to leave. Martin encouraged him with his famous call - "If you don't go in, you won't go back." He did, bravely and successfully.

Senior Leaders Conference

Panel discussion about promotions, expectations, and force development



NEW CASTLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, Del. -- During May RSD, 166th Airlift Wing Commander Col. Lynn K. Robinson called for a Senior Leaders Conference “town hall” meeting held in the Loeffel Room, 14 and 15-May-2022. The intent of the town hall was to offer Airmen across the wing the ability to ask their leadership (O-6’s and Command Chief Master Sergeant Michael Murphy) unfiltered questions and have candid conversations. It also allowed wing leadership the chance to introduce the wing’s mission statement, vision and priorities. Topics included full spectrum readiness, force development opportunities, and promotions, among others. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by SSgt. Shawn Lowe).

Delaware ESGR: Serving Guardsmen for Fifty Years

BG (Ret.) Kennard Wiggins, Curator of the Delaware Military Museum

Several currents of history gave rise to the establishment of Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. The early 1970's was a time of revolutionary change in military personnel management. The Vietnam War was winding down and the draft had been abolished in favor of an all-volunteer force. It was no longer a "given" that manpower would be available for military service. Recruiting qualified people required offering benefits and compensation commensurate with the private sector competition. Military planners had to include more women and minorities in their calculations to meet the demand for qualified applicants. This broadened and diversified the cohort serving in uniform to an unprecedented degree.

A second significant trend was a renewed reliance upon the National Guard and Reserve as partners in America's defense. A "Total Force" policy began to be implemented that made the reserve forces full partners. In August 1973, Secretary of Defense James R. Schlesinger declared that the "Total Force" is now the policy which integrates the active, Guard, and Reserve forces into a homogeneous whole." This was the first step in transitioning the reserve forces from a strategic reserve towards an operational role as a full peer defending our country.

Delaware guardsmen and reservists rely upon their families and civilian employers. In order to do their duty, they require the support of both if they are to succeed. Our citizen-soldiers, sailors, marines, and airmen need to know that their civilian jobs are protected and they can serve on military duty without fear of loss. Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), a Department of Defense program, was established on June 22, 1972 to promote cooperation and understanding between Reserve Component Service members and their civilian employers and to assist in the resolution of conflicts



arising from an employee's military commitment.

Delaware is a small state, but it has a very significant population of Guardsmen and Reservists from every service component, numbering approximately 5300 members in total. We estimate they are employed by virtually every employer in the state with more than 50 employees.

The Delaware committee for ESGR is supported by more

than twenty volunteers and officers in all three counties with backgrounds in business, industry, government and education. Typically, many have prior military service, offering a wealth of experience and expertise on both sides of the civil/military equation.

ESGR has served our country for fifty years, fostering a culture in which all employers support and value the employment and military service of members of the National Guard and Reserve in the United States. Thanks to their support, our state's employers are full partners in our nation's defense. These citizen warriors could not defend and protect us at home and abroad without the continued promise of meaningful civilian employment for themselves and their families. ESGR has continued to adapt to meet the needs of Reserve Component members, their families, and America's employers by joining forces with a network of other national, state, and local government and professional trade organizations. Together, We All Serve!

Delaware ESGR is a Department of Defense volunteer organization. The State Chairman, Maj. Gen. (Ret) Hugh Broomall encourages all employers to sign a Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve. Please contact Bernard Carter at 302-326-7608 or e-mail: bernard.c.carter.ctr@mail.mil. You can learn more at : <https://www.esgr.mil/Employers/Statement-of-Support>



13th Command Chief of the ANG

13 WAYS TO LEAD

<p>1. Lead By Example</p>	<p>Be the example of the change you wish to see in your organization. Benchmark excellence!</p>
<p>2. Lead By Empowering People</p>	<p>Unleash true potential by laying out the vision, re-emphasizing the standards, stating the goals/objectives, provide quality training, empower, and hold members accountable. Step aside and allow those on your team to do what they do best. Empowerment and autonomy leads to engagement which in turn will lead to great results!</p>
<p>3. Lead By Being Honest</p>	<p>Leaders owe their members the truth. They deserve it! Honesty affords organizations an opportunity for a professional culture and environment built on dignity and respect.</p>
<p>4. Lead By Being Credible</p>	<p>80% of a leader's ability is measured by his/her Education, Training, and Experience (ETE). The other 20% is the leader's ability to influence and inspire. Ability + ETE = 100% Credibility & Effective Leadership!</p>
<p>5. Lead By Upholding Standards</p>	<p>The culture of any organization is shaped by the worst behavior the leader is willing to tolerate.</p>
<p>6. Lead By Being Strategic & Deliberate</p>	<p>Explain your strategic vision in a very simple, short, and concise manner. Be deliberate in the process or way to get there. People must believe in the leader before they will believe in your vision.</p>
<p>7. Lead Through Decisiveness & Follow-up</p>	<p>Be decisive and purpose focus. Be action-oriented. Make tough decisions, but also be compassionate, empathetic, and dialed in to</p>



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	the pulse of the organization. Follow up on suspense tasks in a timely and deliberate manner.
8. Lead By Being Accountable	Establish an organization of accountability by creating a culture of healthy competitiveness. Allow people to make mistakes. Fail fast and recover. Fear of failure should never be an option.
9. Lead By Rewards & Praise	Praise in public – reprimand in private. Recognize troops for their hard effort and quality work. Never get too busy to say “good job” or “thank you”.
10. Lead By Being Accessible	Leaders who make themselves accessible are simply saying “I care”. Your leadership is no longer effective when you become inaccessible.
11. Lead By Being Optimistic	A positive attitude is a force multiplier. Leaders strike a tone of confidence and a “can-do” attitude.
12. Lead By Being Agile & Flexible	The only constant is change. Leaders must be adaptable and open to change. Their actions should serve as example for those they lead.
13. Lead By Being Fearless	The Virtue of Courage is NOT the absence of fear, BUT...doing what’s right in spite of the fear! Uphold our Air Force Core Values and Virtue of Courage by always exhibiting a “No Fear” attitude. It’s ok to be concerned, but fear of failure has to be a non-negotiated principle of your leadership that’s instilled and embraced by your team.



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Delaware Air National Guard BASE HONOR GUARD



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EASY STEPS TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE BASE HONOR GUARD

- Must present impeccable military image and conform to exacting grooming standards; no shaving waivers allowed.
- No fear of firearms or have a history of anxiety, emotional or nervous system disorders.
- Have no conviction under the uniformed code of military justice during current enlistment.
- Contact POC of the Base Honor Guard, and get a Letter of Agreement.
- Commit to a minimum of two years. Requirement of 6 details a year.
- Receive approval and signatures from your immediate supervisor or squadron CC. Return the LOA to the NCOIC. You are now ready to be trained.



The ceremonial guardsman is an individual of good reputation having integrity, ethical conduct and exhibiting standards which merit respect; responsible for protecting and overseeing the maintenance of standards on and off duty. The corner stone to this reputation is outstanding dress and appearance. Honor guard personnel must exceed the Air Force standards and present a flawless image to the public.

It is truly an occupation which requires outstanding devotion and commitment to duty. By maintaining our history and exceptionally high standards, honor guards will continue to remain an icon of excellence.

Members Responsibilities

- Commit to a minimum of two years.
- Have no conviction under the uniformed code of military justice during current enlistment
- Individuals who are highly motivated, maintain exceptionally high standards of conduct, both on and off-duty, and exude enormous amounts of pride in all they do.
- Personnel will adhere to all Dress and Appearance standards and guidance outlined in this AFI 36-2903
- Members are required to adhere to the standards outlined in Chapter 1 of the USAF HONOR GUARD MANUAL when wearing the ceremonial uniform.

USAF HONOR GUARD MANUAL can be found at the following link
<https://www.honorguard.af.mil/About-Us/Dase-Honor-Guards/>



Honor Guard Badge and Patch

The honor guard is an elite group, proud of their military heritage. To outwardly express this pride, individuals are authorized to wear the newly approved honor guard badge and patch for the duration of time they are members.

The badge is to be worn on the service and Ceremonial uniforms. Proper placement on Specified uniforms will be in accordance with AFI 36-2903.

Individual Participation

Individual service members wanting to volunteer to be part of an elite group that is called upon to honor those who have served and who are serving today should contact the HG NCOIC. Upon joining the 166th Base Honor Guard you will be asked to maintain the highest standards of military bearing, dress and appearance, behavior and attitude as outline in AFI 36-2903 and the Base Honor Guard Training Guide.

2022 Youth Programs Residential Camps Teen Leadership & Space Camps

Camp POCs:

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DAF Camp Work Flow: AFSVC.SVPY.Camps@us.af.mil

Space Camp – completed application must be submitted by 24 June 2022

Session 1: 24-29 July 2022 - Huntsville, AL
Session 2: 14-19 August 2022 - Huntsville, AL

Teen Leadership Camp – completed application must be submitted by 24 June 2022

15-21 August 2022 – Cheley Colorado Camp Site - Estes Park, CO



Eligible Applicants must meet all the following requirements:

- Dependent of DAF Active Duty, Active Duty Military assigned to/living on a Department of the Air Force/Space Force installation or DAF-led Joint Base, Air Force Reserve (AFR), Air Force National Guard (ANG), DoD Civilian Employees (APF or NAF) assigned to/working on a Department of the Air Force installation or DAF-led Joint Base, or Air Force Retirees (on a space available basis)
- Have a valid picture ID (ex. military ID, driver’s license, school ID, or passport)
- Have not previously attended the camp for which they are currently applying
- 14 - 18 years of age. **NOTE:** High School Graduates are not eligible

Priority Consideration for Applicants:

1. Dependent with a parent/guardian who meet the criteria in item 2 or 3 AND who were deployed in support of a contingency operation for a minimum of 30 calendar days within the past six months
2. Dependent of Active Duty Air Force/Space Force or Other Active Duty assigned to/living on DAF installation or DAF-led JB
3. Dependent of AFR or ANG on Title 10 or Title 32 Orders
4. Dependent of AFR or ANG
5. DoD Civilians (APF/NAF) assigned to/working on DAF installation or DAF-led JB
6. Tie Breaker:
 - date of birth, with priority provided to eldest applicants first
 - previous camp attendance, with priority provided to those who have not previously attended
7. SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS: Dependents of Air Force Retirees

The PDF application must be submitted by A PARENT OR GUARDIAN through the DAF Camps workflow box: AFSVC.SVPY.Camps@us.af.mil

PLEASE NOTE: We are **UNABLE** to access shared and/or cloud based documents. All applications **MUST** be submitted as an attachment.

Parents should receive an auto-reply message from the workflow to confirm receipt of the application.

Department of the Air Force Space Camp:

This camp provides youth, 12 - 18 years of age, opportunities to explore careers as astronauts. Youth have the opportunity to select different Academies; see below for descriptions. Space Camp is held at the US Space and Rocket Center, Huntsville, AL. Two sessions are offered: 24-29 July 2022 and 14-19 August 2022. All applicants must be age-eligible for the chosen camp on or before the first day of attendance. Please note, high school graduates are NOT eligible.

Session 1 participants (24-29 July 2022) will arrive in Huntsville, AL no later than 1330 hours on Sunday, 24 July 2022 and must depart no earlier than 1500 hours on Friday, 29 July 2022. The only exception is for OCONUS participants traveling from Asia or Europe; these participants may arrive in Huntsville, AL on Saturday, 23 July 2022.

Session 2 participants (14-19 August 2022) will arrive in Huntsville, AL no later than 1330 hours on Sunday, 14 August 2022 and must depart no earlier than 1500 hours on Friday, 19 August 2022. The only exception is for OCONUS participants traveling from Asia or Europe; these participants may arrive in Huntsville, AL on Saturday, 13 August 2022.

Transportation costs to/from Huntsville, Alabama and spending money are the responsibility of the participants. Lodging, meals, and all program expenses are centrally funded and begin upon arrival.

Space Academy (12 - 14 years of age)

Session 1: 46 participants and Session 2: 32 participants

Launch on missions to the International Space Station, the moon or Mars! Train like an astronaut on the 1/6th Gravity Chair and the Multi-Axis Trainer. Design, build and launch a team rocket. Learn teambuilding skills on the low elements at our Space Camp Challenge Course and in one of our water facilities! Put your creative thinking skills to work in our engineering design challenges! Hear the inspiring stories about commercial pioneers like Elon Musk, founder of SpaceX!

Advanced Space Academy (15-18 years of age)

Session 1: 14 participants and Session 2: 16 participants

Train like an astronaut on the 1/6th Gravity Chair and the Multi-Axis Trainer. Design, build and launch a team rocket, and safely recover its payload. Learn teambuilding skills on the high elements at our Space Camp Challenge Course. Experience neutral buoyancy while SCUBA diving in the Underwater Astronaut Trainer! (Pending physician approval). Test your skills in our Engineering Challenges by constructing a heat shield and building a Rover. Fly jet aircraft simulators! Discover the role the International Space Station plays in our global community. Prepare for every contingency as you go to Mars on an extended-duration mission simulation! Earn one credit hour of freshman-level general science from University of Alabama in Huntsville in this college-accredited program!

Mach II (12-14 years of age)

Session 1: 20 participants and Session 2: 16 participants

Experience the unique sensation of feeling three times your normal weight in our one-of-a-kind centrifuge! Learn about aeronautics, propulsion and aviation history. Fly in a UAV drone simulator to reinforce lessons learned at our static displays and artifacts. Master aerial combat and compete to be the best of the best in Top Gun! Embark on a search and rescue mission to bring a downed pilot back from behind enemy lines while communicating as a team and evading hostile forces!

Mach III (15 - 18 years of age)

Session 2: 12 participants

Unite as a team at the Space Camp Challenge Course with high and low ropes elements. Brave the centrifuge, the 150-ft. zip line, and all of our training simulators! Reinforce leadership, teamwork and decision-making skills in our immersive F-18 cockpit simulators. Use a UAS simulator to plan for missions and provide real time data to a command center during mission execution. Learn wilderness survival skills and orienteering. Plan and carry out three missions, each with their own challenges! Compete to be the best in a bracket style head to head competition where only the best can claim the title of Top Gun.

US Cyber Camp (15 - 18 years of age)

Session 2: 4 participants

The newest STEM Camp at the Space and Rocket Center! Delve into the world of cyber technologies through blended hands-on experiences and challenges introducing careers and professionals in the cyber field, tour Redstone Arsenal and build a Raspberry Pi computer you can take home! Build computers and networking systems. Explore coding using Raspberry Pi. Learn fundamentals of Python programming within a Linux environment. Defend systems against cyber threats. Engage with cyber professionals to learn about cyber careers!

Department of the Air Force Teen Leadership Camp:

This camp is for teens who completed their Freshman, Sophomore or Junior year in high school for the 2021/2022 School Year. The goal of the camp is to build character, leadership and resilience for young people. Participants will challenge themselves to try new experiences, build a support network of peers and adult advisors, and create a sense of community with other military teens.

Bordering Rocky Mountain National Park, Cheley Colorado Camps is a family owned and operated summer camp. Daily adventures include hiking, intense mountain biking, horseback riding, horse colt training, arts & crafts, woodworking, technical climbing, and archery. The camp setting and program of events offer unique life experiences in a challenging and nurturing natural environment.

Participants will arrive in Denver, Colorado after 1200 hours on Monday, 15 August 2022 and must depart before 1300 hours on Saturday, 21 August 2022.

If selected, spending money and all travel and transportation costs to and from Denver are the responsibility of the participants.

Lodging, meals, and all program expenses once participants arrive at the camp are centrally funded.

166 AW Airman & Family Readiness Office website:
<https://www.166aw.af.mil/About-Us/Airman-and-Family-Readiness/>

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2022 Department of the Air Force Residential Camp Application

Space Camps & Teen Leadership Camp

Privacy Act of 1974 Authority: Title 10, United States Code, Section 8013

Principal Purposes: To obtain youth and family program eligibility and background information for proper assignment of the individual into activities and workshops; to contact participant's parents/guardians in the event of an accident or illness; obtain sponsor consent for access to emergency medical care. **Routine Uses:** To provide information to medical personnel in the absence of a parent; to notify the parents in case of emergency, to contact the youth's parent/guardian relative to the youth's participation in programs. **Disclosure:** Disclosure of requested information is mandatory.

Please select your first and second camp choices from the drop down boxes below

First Choice: -- Please Select First Choice Camp --

Second Choice: -- Please Select Second Choice Camp --

Applications must be submitted by Parent/Guardian NLT 24 June 2022 to AFSVC.SVPY.Camps@us.af.mil

NOTE: Shared files and/or cloud-based documents are not accessible. Please submit attachments in PDF.

YOUTH PARTICIPANT INFORMATION			
First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Date of Birth (DD - MON - YEAR): -- Please Select --	School Year 2021/2022 Grade: -- Please Select --	Adult Shirt Size: -- Please Select --	
Have you previously attended a DAF Residential Camp? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If Yes, which camp?			Year:
SPONSOR (PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION)			
Sponsor First Name	Sponsor Last Name	E-Mail	Phone
Sponsor's CURRENT Status (Please check only one and see information sheet for priority)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Active Duty Air/Space Force		<input type="checkbox"/> Other Active Duty (assigned to or living/working on DAF/DAF-led JB)	
<input type="checkbox"/> AFR or ANG (Title 10 or 32 Orders)		<input type="checkbox"/> AFR or ANG	
<input type="checkbox"/> Civilian (APF/NAF assigned to/working on DAF/DAF-led JB)		<input type="checkbox"/> Air Force Retiree	
Deployed in support of contingency operation (min 30 calendar days) within the past 6 months <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Location:		Dates of Deployment:	
Sponsor Installation	Sponsor Unit	Sponsor Government E-Mail	
Second Parent/Guardian Information			
First Name	Last Name	E-Mail	Phone
PARENT/GUARDIAN ENDORSEMENT			
<i>To the best of my knowledge all of the information stated herein this document is true and accurate.</i>			
Parent/Guardian Signature _____			Date _____



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Safety



June Safety Message

JUNE IS SAFETY MONTH

National Safety Month—the annual observance to help keep each other safe from the workplace to anyplace. Week 1-Musculoskeletal Disorders, Week 2- Workplace Impairment, Week 3- Injury Prevention, Week 4-Slips, Trips, and Falls. <https://www.nsc.org/workplace/national-safety-month>

Reduce the Threat of Zika Virus and Other Mosquito-borne Illnesses

Mosquitoes long have been taking a bite out of warm-weather fun. Now, that bite carries with it the danger of Zika virus, West Nile virus and other mosquito-borne illnesses. Zika is transmitted primarily by Aedes mosquitoes, aggressive biters that can strike during the day and at night. Many people won't show any symptoms, said CDC Deputy Incident Manager Satish Pillai during a webinar hosted by the National Safety Council. Others will have mild symptoms, including fever, rash, conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) and muscle pain or headache lasting two to seven days, that can be treated with rest, fluids and acetaminophen, according to the World Health Organization. In infants, a small head due to abnormal brain development is the defining characteristic of microcephaly. Guillain-Barré, characterized by the body's immune system attacking the peripheral nervous system, typically affects adults and can result in paralysis.

Everyone can protect themselves and their families from the threat of Zika and other mosquito-borne illnesses, such as Dengue Fever and West Nile. Follow simple preventative measures:

To prevent mosquito bites, use Environmental Protection Agency-registered insect repellent with DEET and wear long-sleeve shirts and long pants. Read product labels when using insect repellent and apply as directed. Do not leave doors or windows propped open. Once a week, scrub or empty planters, birdbaths, vases and flowerpot saucers; mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Use EPA-approved indoor and outdoor flying insect spray or foggers. Turn on air conditioning; mosquitoes prefer warm, damp and dark spaces.

11 Prevention Tips for Tick Safety

Walk in the center of the trail, avoid too much contact with the vegetation on either side. Wear light colored clothing (so ticks can be easily seen and brushed off).

Wear pants tucked into longer socks.

Apply insect repellent, specifically the brands designed to repel ticks. But avoid use of DEET-containing repellents on children. (We've had success with the gentle Skin-So-Soft line for toddlers... at least for mosquitos. It also says it works to repel deer ticks.)

Try clothing with a chemical repellent (one option is an ingredient call Insect Shield) Cover up skin if possible, wearing long sleeves, collared shirts, and hats with brims. Avoid sitting directly on the ground, or on fallen logs.

One outdoor enthusiast reports success against ticks in Idaho from using Repel's Lemon Eucalyptus spray.

Always perform a tick check after being outdoors. The sooner, the better! Their favorite areas are the hairline and "hot areas" of the body.

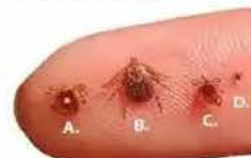
Don't forget your dogs! Be sure to treat them monthly during tick season with prevention medicine – it works wonders. Years ago, my Husky and I learned this lesson the hard (really gross) way... to the tune of about 20+ engorged ticks buried in his thick neck fur.

Put your clothes in the dryer on high heat once you get home. They can survive the washing machine, but not the heat.



Safety and Occupational Health Points of Contact: State Safety Manager:
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State Safety Specialist:
CW3 Mark Schroeder, 326-7016, mark.m.schoeder.mil@army.mil



A. Lone star tick, female
B. American Dog tick, female
C. Blacklegged tick, female
D. Blacklegged tick, nymph



A message from the 166th AW Chaplain Corps



“Our resistance (to change) could put the world at jeopardy.” This is a pretty heavy statement, especially in view of all that our world is experiencing today.

Let’s break this down a little further. What change in our own lives are we refusing to make, that is in some way impacting the life of someone else in a negative way? This conversation about change began in the month of April: “Spring is a time to find out where you are, who you are, and move toward where you are going.” It continued in May: “You can’t keep doing the same things you have been doing and expect to get different results...stop making excuses and make a change.” Now that we are in the month of June, what areas of change are we resistant to that could impact other people?

We can use the 4 Pillars of Comprehensive Fitness as a guide to look at change a little closer. Are we paying enough attention to our own mental health? Do we need to change how we care for our physical body? How healthy or unhealthy are our relationships

(social)? Have we taken the time to consider where we are spiritually? Addressing these areas all at once may seem overwhelming, but ignoring them not only impacts us personally but those around us as well. As we move throughout the summer months, consider ways to improve on these four areas: mental, physical, social and spiritual. Ignoring even one of these pillars, puts more of a burden on the other pillars.

- Chaplain William Guy, 166 AW/HC

Upcoming Strong Bonds Events:

- Married Couples Weekend Event, July 15-17, 2022
- Family Weekend Event, August 26-28, 2022

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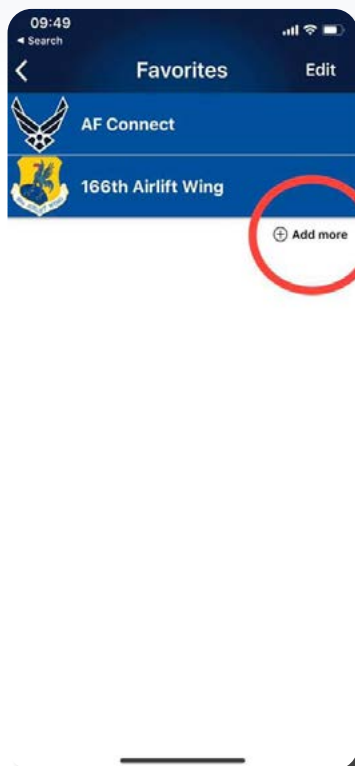
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