

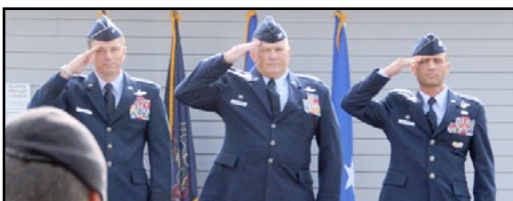
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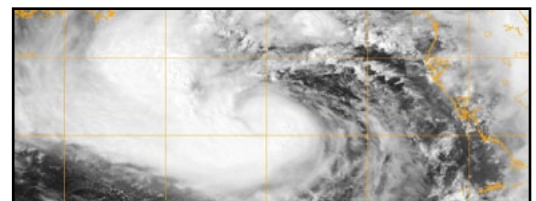
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ON THE COVER



Airmen from the Air National Guard Band of the Mid-Atlantic perform during a 9/11 memorial service at the Pennsylvania National Fire Museum in Harrisburg, Pa. (Photo illustration by Staff Sgt. Susan Penning)



By Chief Master Sgt. Victor Guerra
State Command Chief

**State Command
Chief Perspective**

chairman of the council.

Pennsylvania resides in EFAC Region 7, which also includes Ohio, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

ANG Instruction 36-2601, *The Air National Guard Enlisted Field Advisory Council*, is the governing instruction for the group and covers the organization, procedures and responsibilities of the council.

To access the most up-to-date information on issues being addressed by the EFAC, there are two helpful web sites. The first is milSuite at <https://www.milsuite.mil/book/groups/ang-enlisted-field-advisory-council-efac> (access with a common access card is required). The second is on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Enlisted-Field-Advisory-Council-EFAC/175976715794418>.

Both sites give access to information such as the EFAC agendas and meeting minutes, as well as various documents and forms.

Issues can be brought to the attention of the EFAC by completing an EFAC Issue Submission Form, along with any supporting documentation, through your wing command chief, to me at state headquarters and then to our EFAC regional coordinator.

I highly recommend you take a look at one or both of the sites listed above and become familiar with the issues currently being addressed by your EFAC.

Some recent issues being worked include the Community College of the Air Force's requirements for promotion to E-8 and E-9, enlisted performance reviews for all enlisted Airmen, and non-Air Force Specialty Code computer-based training/ ancillary training requirements.

Take a look and stay informed regarding your voice in the ANG.

Last month, I attended the Enlisted Field Advisory Council meeting at the Air National Guard Readiness Center at Andrews Air Force Base, Md. For those who are not familiar with what exactly the EFAC does, let me explain.

The mission of the EFAC is to propose solutions, changes and other policy actions that impact enlisted members of the ANG. The main objectives of the EFAC are to:

- Provide enlisted members of the ANG a vehicle to express their concerns on matters that impact enlisted members;
- Receive, review and clarify recommendations; and
- Recommend policy solutions to the ANG director through the ANG command chief master sergeant.

All ANG command chief master sergeants are members at large. One primary - and one alternate - state command chief is chosen as a regional coordinator from each of the seven EFAC regions to represent his or her constituency.

State command chiefs are also selected to serve as chairman and vice

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Promoted to Master Sergeant

Kevin Battisti 193 SOMXS

Promoted to Technical Sergeant

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Promoted to Staff Sergeant

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Promoted to Senior Airman

Matthew Rutkowski 271 CBCS



News In Brief

Silver Star presented for fallen Airman's 'gallantry in action'

Dressed in a silver and black dress, 3-year-old Chloe Smith stood beside her mother, Tiffany, as they accepted a Silver Star award recently in honor of Senior Airman Bradley Smith who was killed in action at the age of 24 in Afghanistan Jan. 3, 2010.

Maj. Gen. Lawrence Wells, 9th Air Force commander, presented the medal "on behalf of a grateful nation and even more grateful Air Force" to Smith's widow, his parents, Gary and Paula Smith, and to Tech. Sgt. Ryan Smith, Brad's brother, during a ceremony in Troy, Ill.

Upon receiving the award, Tiffany said she was thankful for the efforts of everyone who took part in seeing that Brad received the honor he had earned.

"When I first learned of what Brad did, I wasn't filled with pride like I am today," she said. "Quite frankly I was very upset at him and would just yell out 'Why didn't you keep your head down?' or 'Why couldn't you have just been a coward ... just this once?' In the midst of my tantrum, a good friend reminded me that Brad wasn't trying to be a hero, and that he wasn't trying to do anything more than what he thought was right and necessary ... and that 'coward' wasn't a word that he knew.

"Over time I could see that he was just being true to the kind of man that he was. He was my hero long before his death. His passion for life, love for his family and dedication to always bettering himself is what made Brad my hero. This Silver Star solidifies what I already knew about my husband, and it will serve as a reminder of the hero that he truly was ...both in the way he lived and died."

For more on this story visit: <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123317250>.

F-16 training takes off in Arizona

While the Republic of Iraq anticipates an initial delivery of F-16 Fighting Falcons in September 2014, the pilots who will fly them embark on a historic partnership with the Arizona Air National Guard's 162nd Fighter Wing to learn how to fly the multipurpose fighter.

Already, two Iraqis have joined aspiring fighter pilots from the United States, Singapore, Poland, Denmark, Japan and the Netherlands at the U.S. Air Force's international F-16 schoolhouse at Tucson International Airport. A delegation of senior Iraqi Air Force officers visited the unit Aug. 30 to assess their students' progress and reaffirm their partnership with the desert fighter wing.

For more on this story visit: <http://www.ang.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123316437>.

Changes of command for Mission, Regional Support Groups

By Staff Sgt. Susan Penning

193rd Public Affairs Specialist

The winds of change blew strong this past summer for leaders throughout the 193rd Special Operations Wing.

Following the retirement of Col. David Smoker, Col. Christopher Dutton assumed command of the 193rd Special Operations Mission Support Group in August, while

to accomplish the mission," he said. "Of course, I also plan to work together with leadership to overcome any physical and technological challenges we may face along the way."

Col. Dutton began his military career in 1976 as an enlisted aviation storekeeper with the U.S. Marine Corps. After that, he served in the Army as an infantry basic training drill sergeant where he later com-

munications Squadron Detachment commander and chief of maintenance while supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. He also supported Air Combat Command Headquarters for Operation Noble Eagle as major command action officer for the A6 staff. In addition, he served as deputy group commander supporting the Air Force's Joint Source Solution Airmen and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"My No. 1 priority is taking care of Airmen, treating them with respect and making sure they have the tools they need to accomplish the mission."

*- Col. Christopher Dutton,
193rd SOMSG commander*

Prior to taking the reigns as 193rd SOMSG commander, Col. Dutton served as commander of the 193rd RSG at Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, Pa., since April 2009, commanding an organization comprised of geographically separated combat and combat support units. Most recently, the colonel deployed to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, serving as the future operations division chief for Central Command CCJ4 DDOC.

Some of Col. Dutton's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters; the Air Force Commendation Medal and the Army Commendation Medal with two OLC.

Col. Dutton has been married to his wife for 33 years. They have two daughters.

Taking the reigns of the 193rd RSG after Col. Dutton's departure is Lt. Col. Koudelka.

Lt. Col. Koudelka said he is ready to face the challenges of being responsible for eight units with unique missions.

"With all the current inspections and deployments on the horizon, I will be turning to and surrounding myself with experts at

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During an August change of command ceremony, Brig. Gen. Gerald Otterbein (left), 193rd Special Operations Wing commander, appoints Lt. Col. Terrence Koudelka (center) as new commander of the 193rd Special Operations Regional Support Group, replacing Col. Christopher Dutton (right). (Photos by Tech. Sgt. Culeen Shaffer)

Lt. Col. Terrence Koudelka took Col. Dutton's place as 193rd Regional Support Group commander.

Col. Dutton comes to the 193rd SOMSG with a wealth of experience and education and some very clear goals.

"My No. 1 priority is taking care of Airmen, treating them with respect and making sure they have the tools they need

manded as an infantry officer.

Col. Dutton received his direct commission in the Army after receiving a bachelor's degree from Roanoke College. He also earned a master's degree from the University of Phoenix.

Over the years, Col. Dutton served in many capacities in the Army, most notably when mobilized as officer in charge of the Tiger Team Quick Reaction Force in support of Operation Uphold Democracy at the Port of Wilmington, N.C.

After making a transition to the Air National Guard, Col. Dutton deployed with the 193rd SOW as installation deployment officer in support of Operations Joint Endeavor, Allied Force and Desert Fox.

He has served as the 271st Combat Com-

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the Wing who can keep up with my energy and drive and help me see things through until they're done," he said.

Lt. Col. Koudelka earned his bachelor's degree in aviation from Ohio State University in 1990 and subsequently received his commission as an officer.

His professional military education includes squadron officer's school, Air Command and Staff College and Air War College where he was recognized as the "Excellent Graduate."

Lt. Col. Koudelka has more than 2,000 flying hours and 300 combat hours. His aircraft experience includes the T-37, T-43, T-39, B-1B, EC-130E and EC-130J.

In the early 1990s, he served on the 33rd Fighter Wing Reorganization Team and as 33rd Logistics Readiness Squadron executive officer at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. While at Eglin, he also served as 59th Fighter Squadron section commander and 33rd Operations Group executive officer.

From there, he attended training at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla.; and Dyess Air Force Base, Texas.

He worked as a weapons systems and squadron mobility officer at the 37th Bomb Squadron at Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D. While at Ellsworth, he also served at the 77th Bomb Squadron as a WSO instructor and assistant director of training, WSO standards/evaluations



Col. Dutton shares remarks about his time as 193rd RSG commander and offers his full support of and confidence in the leadership abilities of Lt. Col. Koudelka.

flight examiner and assistant flight commander and flight commander.

Then, Lt. Col. Koudelka came to the 193rd SOW as EC-130E and EC-130J electronic warfare officer/mission control chief and EC-130J chief of tactics.

He served as range operations officer and commander of Detachment 1, then Bollen Air-to-Ground Range and conversion officer at the 148th Air Support Operations Squadron at Fort Indiantown Gap.

Before accepting the role of commander of the 193rd RSG, Lt. Col. Koudelka served as commander of the 148th ASOS.

Some of the lieutenant colonel's awards and decorations include: the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (one OLC), Air Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal (two OLC), Air Force and Army Commendation medals, Air Force (one OLC) and Army Achievement medals, Combat Readiness Medal (nine OLC), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (two stars), Iraq Campaign Medal (two stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short (four OLC), Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with gold border, NATO Medal, PA Outstanding Aeronautical Achievement Award, PA Commendation Medal, PA State Service Medal (one OLC) and many more.

Lt. Col. Koudelka has been married to his wife since 1999 and they have one son.

A new 193rd RSG commander has yet to be announced.

In-depth video interviews with Col. Dutton and Lt. Col. Koudelka will soon be made available for viewing on the base's Channel 4, "Eye on Scope." Be sure to tune in as these officers talk more about the challenges and opportunities they'll face in their new roles and the fond memories they'll take with them from their previous assignments.

Personnel urged to exercise caution regarding political activities

With political season now in full swing, all personnel, civilian and military, are reminded to familiarize themselves with the applicable rules on political participation. Consider the following two case studies, which resulted in serious punishments for government employees who violated the Hatch Act.

1) An employee of the Social Security Administration volunteered for a gubernatorial candidate's campaign. While on duty and in his federal office, the employee spent time coordinating volunteer efforts for the campaign. His activities included recruiting precinct captains, enlisting people to march in parades, organizing the distribution of yard signs and bumper stickers, and advising volunteers on how to host campaign events. In addition, the employee hosted a fundraiser for another partisan political candidate. He invited more than 50 people to the event and asked two individuals to contribute \$250. The employee

was suspended for 180 days without pay.

2) A contracting officer for the General Services Administration will serve a 30-day suspension without pay for inviting -- from her government office and while on duty -- 23 people to a fundraiser for a presidential candidate. She also distributed campaign material in the workplace and sent an e-mail from her government e-mail account supporting the candidate.

Federal law and regulations place restrictions on political activities of government employees and service members. Violations may result in administrative action or even criminal prosecution. For more information, visit <http://www.osc.gov/hatchact.htm>.



How to 'Be Ready' for emergencies

Although last month was officially designated as National Preparedness Month, Air Force Emergency Management experts are emphasizing that Airmen and their families take steps to prepare for disasters year-round.

The Air Force's "Be Ready" initiative helps raise awareness and prompts people to take action for whatever threats may come.

The "Be Ready" public website at <http://www.beready.af.mil/> offers checklists, handouts and even a "Be Ready Kids" section where anyone can download and print information that will help educate and better prepare them for emergencies.

The Air Force also equips appointed emergency managers to support base communities by preventing, preparing for, responding to and recovering from emergencies. In addition, they educate base members on what to do if they encounter a hazard, whether it's a natural disaster or man-made incident such as a major accident or terrorist attack.

These managers recommend that Airmen

first know where their installation's emergency management office is because that is where they'll find correct, up-to-date emergency information.

The emergency management office at the Wing is located at the 193rd Special Operations Civil Engineer Squadron.

Emergency managers also recommend some basic steps Airmen should take to prepare *before* a disaster occurs. They are: Get a kit. Make a plan. Be prepared.

"If every Airman will take these steps, effects from disasters can be minimized and lives can be saved," said Master Sgt. Ernie Rude, non-commissioned officer in charge of Air Force emergency management integration.

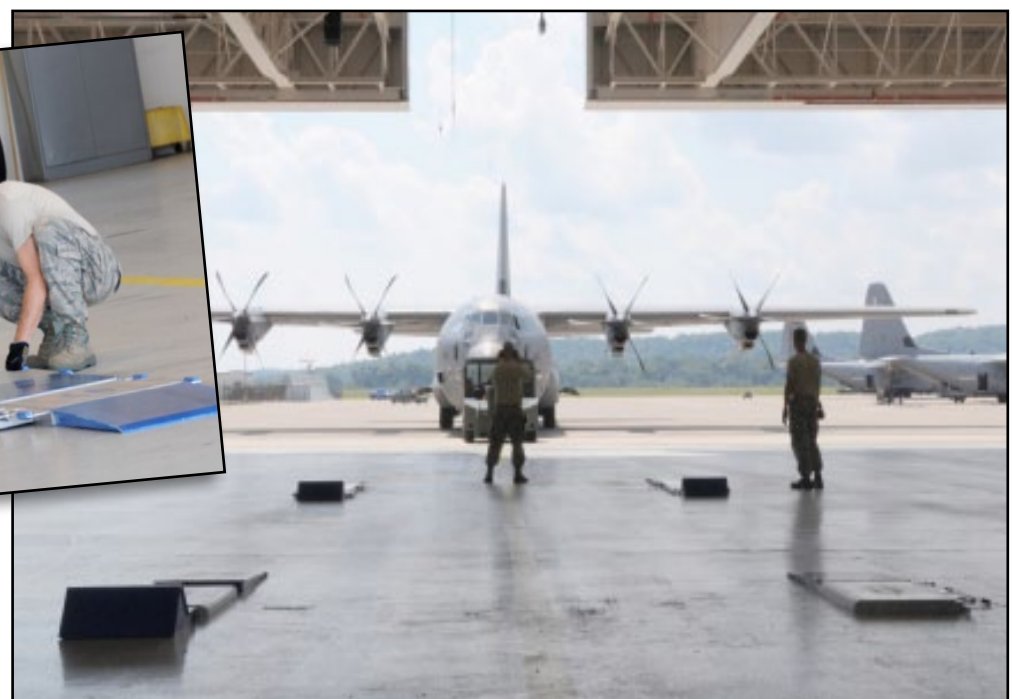
For additional information and resources, members can contact the 193rd SOCES emergency management office at 948-2252. *Information courtesy of John Burt, Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency.*

<h3>Get a kit</h3> <p>Assemble a collection of first aid supplies, food, water, medicines and important papers that can sustain you and your family until the emergency passes.</p>	<h3>Make a plan</h3> <p>All of your family members may not be together when an emergency strikes. Planning ahead will improve your chances of keeping in touch, staying safe and quickly reuniting.</p>	<h3>Be prepared</h3> <p>Anticipate emergencies most likely to affect you. Use the Air Force Emergency Preparedness Guide to help you think through the basics of preparing for all potential hazards.</p>
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Weighty matters

Above left: Senior Master Sgt. Harry Myrick (left) and Tech. Sgt. Shaun Hege, 193rd Special Operations Wing, position scales in preparation to weigh an EC-130J aircraft on base Aug. 23. The EC-130Js are required to be weighed and balanced every 69 months. Above right: Airmen tow and position the aircraft to be weighed. (U.S. Air Force photos by Tech. Sgt. Mariko Bender)



Sounding Off

What you need to know to keep you flying...

Ronald McDonald House drive on now

The 193rd Special Operations Wing Enlisted Council is currently sponsoring a drive for the Ronald McDonald House. The drive will run until February drill. Items needed include food, toiletry supplies and family-related items, such as board games and prepaid phone cards. Collection boxes are available in the headquarters, finance, operations and maintenance buildings at Air Station 3, and in Areas 1 and 2 at Air Station 2.

Tickets available for 'Taste of Germany'

The Diversity Council is raffling off an Oktoberfest "Taste of Germany" basket, which includes goodies like cheese, chocolates, crackers and more. Personnel may purchase tickets from Tech. Sgt. Nee and Senior Airman Schmidt during the week and Tech. Sgt. Smith and Senior Master Sgt. Gonzalez during October UTA in the DFAC. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5.

Enlisted Council supports Airmen

The 193rd SOW Enlisted Council reminds Airmen they are welcome to bring to the council's attention any issues pertaining to duties, morale, health and welfare and recommendations for the improvement of operations, working conditions, facilities etc. The council meets each Saturday of UTA at 2 p.m. in the Wing conference room.

211 EIS vacancy announced

The 211th Engineering Installation Squadron is seeking a highly motivated and detail-oriented guardsman to fill a traditional status Disaster Preparedness non-commissioned officer (3E971 up to master sergeant) opportunity. This position requires the incumbent to have a five or seven skill level in a previous Air Force specialty code. Submit resumes to 2nd Lt. Colin Wilson, 211 EIS, at colin.wilson@ang.af.mil.

Menu

Constellation Cafe

Hours of operation 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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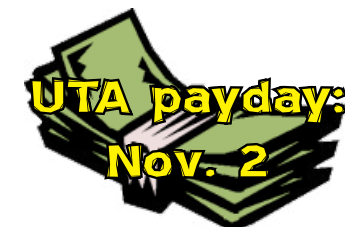
Main Line:
 Jaeger Schnitzel
 Parmesan baked fish
 Buttered noodles
 Seasoned rice
 Cauliflower
 Carrots

Snack Line:
 Hamburgers
 Cheeseburgers
 Bratwurst
 Baked beans
 French fries

SUNDAY

Main Line:
 Chicken Cacciatore
 Sweet Italian sausage
 Steamed rice
 Scalloped potatoes
 Broccoli
 Peas

Snack Line:
 Hamburgers
 Cheeseburgers
 Fish sandwich
 Baked beans
 French fries



Band of the Mid-Atlantic commemorates 9/11

By Staff Sgt. Susan Penning

193rd Public Affairs Specialist

Members of the Air National Guard Band of the Mid-Atlantic provided patriotic music for a somber crowd Sept. 9 during a 9/11 memorial service at the Pennsylvania National Fire Museum in Harrisburg, Pa.

According to museum officials, the goal of the service, which has been held annually for the past six years, is to honor the firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, police and civilians who lost their lives on 9/11.

The Band of the Mid-Atlantic, headquartered at Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, Pa., played a key role in the event, performing numerous songs at musical interludes throughout the service.

The Rev. James Stough, a chaplain with the Dauphin County Volunteer Fireman's Association, offered the following remarks at the event.

"Today we honor and remember those fallen responders and we look on to the task which lies ahead of us, to learn from the past and be prepared for the future ... And above all, we pray for peace on earth."

One of the distinguished guests in attendance was former Harrisburg Mayor Stephen Reed, who not only shared sympathy



"Since 9/11, the importance of the Guard has been profoundly displayed to the nation and world ..."

- Former Harrisburg Mayor Stephen Reed

for the victims of 9/11, but also praised the continued efforts of the Air National Guard to keep the country safe from terrorists.

"Since 9/11, the importance of the Guard has been profoundly displayed to the nation and world," Reed said. "With the most deployments since World War II, the Guard is, once again, clearly proving itself to be part of the bedrock of America's military might."

In addition to performances by the Band of the Mid-Atlantic, some other highlights of the 9/11 service included the posting and retiring of the colors by the Pennsylvania Capitol Police Color Guard, local music from the Sentimentalists, a bagpipe rendition of Amazing Grace by the Lochiel Emerald Society, a laying-of-the-wreaths ceremony and the ringing of Fire Bell 555, which typically signifies a line-of-duty death.

Capt. Joseph Denti (left) leads the 553rd Air Force Band, the Air National Guard Band of the Mid-Atlantic, in a patriotic medley during a 9/11 memorial service at the Pennsylvania National Fire Museum in Harrisburg, Pa. This is the second year the band has performed for the event.



Master Sgt. Andrew Callo (right) and Staff Sgt. Tom Strawley, 553rd Air Force Band, showcase their talent on clarinets during the service.



A large American flag held up using two local fire trucks marks the location of this year's 9/11 memorial service at the Pennsylvania National Fire Museum in Harrisburg.