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Addressing GBC Physicals is a Must

Ground-based controller physicals have been an issue for EADS since the aerospace medicine standards were changed in September 2009. The revised specifications, as everyone is painfully aware, require a ground-based controller physical for all 1C5s, not just controllers. This levied physical requirements upon our entire operations force, instead of the smaller, traditional population of 13Bs and enlisted weapons directors.

I understand the requirements are difficult to meet. EADS does not have an assigned flight surgeon or a supporting base infrastructure. Flight surgeon support is an hour's drive away and only available two days a month during drill. These obstacles must be overcome and it starts with each individual making sure they're providing complete and up-to-date medical information in support of the new requirement.

The shortage of physically qualified operations personnel has become an acute problem. It was the overriding issue identified in the recent AFNORTH standards and evaluation site visit and was noticeable enough that it got the attention of Lt. Gen. Clarke, the AFNORTH commander.

The result is that we have high-level support for correcting the problem. Fixing it, however, requires a fundamental change in our approach. We simply cannot continue down a "business as usual" path.

The new approach will include a move to 12-hour shifts. I am very aware that the longer shifts are a burden to operations personnel and it was a last-resort decision that I did not make easily or lightly. I made it because it's a necessary step in fixing this long-standing issue. This issue is another in the long line of challenges

we've faced here at EADS. It will take time, effort and focus from everyone in both operations and support to correct it, but we have overcome bigger obstacles. I am confident, that by working together



Col. Dawne Deskins
EADS Commander

and focusing on the mission, we will solve this problem as well.

Watch the Money and Behavior

The recent General Services Administration and Secret Service scandals are reminders that we need to always conduct ourselves in a responsible and professional manner. While I'm very comfortable with EADS fiscal stewardship and our individual members' behavior, the scandals have significantly increased the scrutiny of government employees

and Armed Services members. The issue has generated so much concern that Gen. Charles Jacoby, the Commander of NORAD and Northern Command, has issued a General Order spelling out the standards of conduct for DoD personnel assigned to 2012 NATO Summit.

Funding, especially for TDY, also remains a major concern. I can tell you that the "no frills" approach is the new normal and anything that can be viewed, or even interpreted as extravagant, is out. So continue to scrub TDY lists, make sure every trip supports the mission, and when, on travel, conduct yourself in a responsible fashion.

Upcoming Inspections

Support has several major inspections scheduled in the coming months and we all need to do our part to help them. The Cyber Command Readiness Inspection (CCRI), conducted by Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA), is first on the list and takes place from 25-29 June. Capt.

John Gancasz has an article on page 6 describing what the CCRI reviews, along with some tips for the inspection. I urge everyone to read the article and be prepared when the inspectors arrive.

One last note: congratulations to Master Sgt. Jeff Lamarche, who was recently named Air National Guard Honor Guard Program Manager of the Year. Jeff now goes on to compete against the winners of the Air Force and Air Force Reserve honor guard manager. I know we all wish him the best of luck as he moves forward in the competition.

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Never Underestimate the Power of a Decision

Many Civil War historians have speculated that if Col. Joshua Chamberlain had not ordered his Maine regiment to charge down a strategic hill known as Little Round Top at the Battle of Gettysburg, Confederate soldiers would probably have taken the point and turned Gettysburg into a Southern victory. This could very well have changed the Civil War and America as we know it.

The power of a decision made and an action taken because of that decision cannot be overstated. Could a divided country have ever defeated Nazism and Fascism during WWII? Would Japan have become one of our biggest allies in the Pacific? Would Korea look fundamentally different than it does today? Would the Soviet Union be more than just a chapter in the history books?

Thankfully, we'll never know, because through the course of history, ordinary people like you and I made great decisions and had the courage to back up those decisions with action. Every morning when I get up and look outside and see a couple of cars in the driveway, I realize that the furnace worked like it should and my house is warm, and that I have hot water to take a shower, I try to reflect on all the great decisions that have been made that has allowed me to live in this very comfortable environment.

Some of those decisions are ones made long before my time that allow us to live in a country with freedoms that most of the world only dream about. Some are decisions that I have personally made along the way which combined with timing and opportunity have given me the great fortune and blessing of serving as a Chief here at EADS.

And finally some are decisions that others have made that have allowed me to be what I consider a very blessed man: when Gwen said "Yes" to my very non-romantic way of proposing to her 28 years ago.

Many of us have no idea what domino effect the decisions we make and actions we take will set into motion. The best we can hope for is that our decisions and actions will be made with the best of intentions and for the right reasons.

I know that as I come to the end of my career, my hope is that I have left EADS a better place than I found it. I hope I have made some small difference in the lives of those who have served with me and that at the end of the day I was one of those who said "Charge!"

Men and Women of EADS, keep fighting the good fight. My family and I are depending on each and every one of you. God Bless and God Speed...Be 212!



Chief Master Sgt. Paul Cox

On the cover:

Sr. Master Sgt. Mike Cavalier, Master Sgt. Tom Whiteman, Capt. Andrew Lawton and Master Cpl. Scott Atkinson provided a bi-national honor guard on May 6 for the opening ceremony of the Western New York Armed Forces Week in Buffalo. The ceremony was held at the Erie Canal Harborside on the Buffalo waterfront, adjacent to the Erie County Naval and Military Park. The event was the first in a series of activities commemorating the War of 1812.



DoD Officials Explain New Sexual Assault Policies

Changes Ensure Sexual Assault Cases Receive High-Level Attention

by Karen Parrish, American Forces Press Service

Senior Defense Department officials hope more service members who are victims of sexual assault report the crimes as a result of a policy change Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta announced in late April.

Panetta issued guidance April 20 withholding «initial disposition authority» from any officer who is below the O-6 -- colonel or Navy captain -- level and who does not hold special court-martial convening authority. In other words, unit commanders at the company or squadron level no longer have authority to decide whether to take further action in reported cases of attempted rape, forcible sodomy or sexual assault.

In announcing the new policy, the secretary said the change will ensure that sexual assault cases receive high-level attention.

A senior defense official told reporters today during a background briefing that the new policy will allow more experienced and less partial officers to make the initial decision on whether a sexual assault case goes to trial. That will add consistency to how such cases are handled, the official added.

The further «north» you go [in rank] the more attention there is paid to this, the official said. They get a level of training that somebody at the O-3 level wouldn't necessarily get.

The defense official cited a hypothetical case in which an alleged attacker and victim belong to the same company-level unit of about 115 enlisted people and five officers working for the same Army captain or Navy lieutenant commander.

In the past, the official said, a victim in that unit might choose not to report an assault because the commander liked the alleged attacker more, or because the victim's performance in the unit might cause the commander to disbelieve the victim's report. Now, that unit commander must forward such reports up the chain of command to a colonel-level special court-martial convening authority.

A Joint Staff official told reporters, also on background, that the new policy is intended in part to remove decisions from the immediate level of the crime.

More senior officers will have a more neutral ability to take a look at the facts ... and make a reasoned decision, the Joint Staff official said. The change also means that officers making future disposition decisions typically will have legal and medical staff members who can assist in determining proper handling of the case, the defense official said. The new policy also applies to any associated charges related to an alleged assault, the official added.

Any suggestion or appearance of retaliation would have to be resolved at the same [higher] level, the official said. The official noted there are several precedents for the withholding policy. A similar approach -- placing authority for case disposition under the Uniform Code of Military Justice with more senior officers -- typically applies in cases of officer misconduct, cases with national security interest or in alleged misconduct by civilians accompanying the force, the official said.

The official said Panetta has directed that other new policies also take effect:

- Establishing Special Victim's Unit capabilities within each of the services, to ensure that specially trained investigators, prosecutors and victim-witness assistance personnel are available to assist with sexual assault cases;
- Requiring that sexual assault policies be explained to all service members within 14 days of their entrance on active duty and that annual organizational climate assessments be conducted
- Allowing reserve and National Guard members who have been sexually assaulted while on active duty to remain in their active-duty status to obtain the treatment and support afforded to active-duty members;
- Requiring a record of the outcome of disciplinary and administrative proceedings related to sexual assault, and requiring that copies of those records be centrally retained;
- Mandating wider public dissemination of DOD resources, including the DOD Safe Helpline, a free, anonymous and confidential resource that can be reached worldwide, 24 hours a day, to connect victims with live sexual assault support professionals.

SEXUAL ASSAULT
PREVENTION AWARENESS



Lt. Col. Wendel Smith is New Deputy Commander, Operations

By Tim Jones, EADS PA

Lt. Col. Wendel A. “Huck” Smith officially became EADS Deputy Commander, Operations on May 2.

Lt. Col. Smith takes over for Col. Wade Dewey, who was named EADS Vice Commander in February.

“It’s great to be back at EADS and an honor to take command of such a dedicated group of Airmen,” Lt. Col. Smith said. “Our operational tempo promises to be busier than ever in the months to come but I am confident that by working together and focusing on the mission, Operations will successfully meet every challenge.”

An F-16 pilot, Lt. Col. Smith previously served at EADS as Fighter Officer Instructor, Chief of Current Operations, and Chief, Operations Support from 2003 to 2011. Prior to becoming DO, Lt. Col. Smith served as Commander, EADS Detachment 1 at the Joint Air Defense Operations Center (JADOC) at Joint Bases Anacostia-Bolling in Washington, D.C. While at Det 1, he oversaw the unit’s transition to the New York Air National Guard and played an instrumental role in planning the new JADOC facility, which is scheduled to begin construction this summer.

Lt. Col. Smith is a graduate of the University of Maryland, the Squadron Officers School, Air Command and Staff College, and Air War College. He also holds a Master’s in Operational Military Art and Science. Lt. Col. Smith has been in the Air Force since 1989 and joined the Air National Guard in 1999.



Lt. Col. Wendel Smith



Bi-national Honor Guard Supports Canada Day in Albany

EADS bi-national Honor Guard recently provided the colors for the opening ceremony of the New York State Senate’s “Canada Day in Albany.” Pictured with State Sen. Joe Griffo (center) are, from left to right: Sr. Master Sgt. Don Roberts, MCpl Sean Parent, Master Sgt. Jeff Lamarche, MCpl Scott Akinson, Master Sgt. Thomas Whiteman, Capt. Andrew Lawton and Capt. Bruce Derbyshire. To the right of Capt. Derbyshire is Ms. Marta Muszczenska, Consul General, Candian Consulate in Buffalo. Photo courtesy of Sen. Joe Griffo’s office.

Command Cyber Readiness Inspection Coming in June

Focuses on Information Assurance and Computer Network Defense

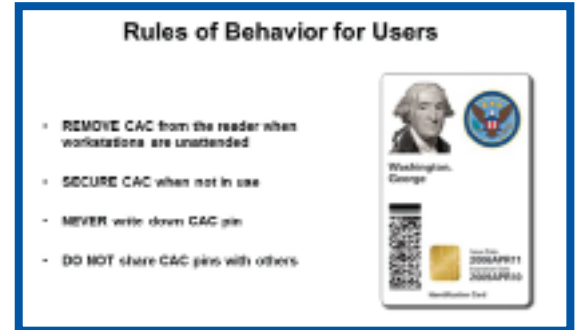
By Capt. John L. Gancasz, SCX

EADS will undergo a Command Cyber Readiness Inspection (CCRI) by the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) June 25-29 June. A CCRI is “Technical” and “Operational” inspection program that takes a close look at the base’s Information Assurance (IA) Traditional Security and Computer Network defense policies to ensure they are functioning properly and are compliant with DOD standards.

The CCRI inspectors will be looking for deficiencies and vulnerabilities in both the “Physical” and “Virtual” areas of EADS Cyber infrastructure throughout all buildings (700, 702, 703 and 866). If it is found that our network(s) are unsecured, we have too many vulnerabilities or there is too much deviation from standards, our network(s) “Could” be disconnected, and we will no longer have outside connectivity.

Vulnerabilities are categorized into three categories. CAT I covers any vulnerabilities in which a total loss of information or immediate access into a machine is possible. CAT II risk includes those in which an intruder can easily gain access or circumvent security controls. Finally, CAT III covers anything that could lead to a compromise or unauthorized access.

The Inspection team has the option of going into most areas of EADS, so being mindful of security during this time is especially important. Key things to remember are NEVER leave “Common Access Cards” unattended, don’t save passwords on the computer or write them down, don’t plug unauthorized personal electronic devices into the computer, and be mindful of physical security such as keeping classified information secured. If an inspector approaches you and asks a question, be polite/respectful and answer it to the best of your ability.



A common security issue is leaving CAC cards unattended. This is one of the vulnerabilities the CCRI team will be inspecting.

Lamarche is ANG’s Honor Guard Program Manager of the Year

Master Sgt. Jeff Lamarche was named Honor Guard Program Manager of the Year by the Air National Guard Readiness Center at Andrews Air Force Base, Md.

Lamarche competed against Honor Guard managers from nearly 670 Air National Guard flying and mission support units located across the country. He will now go onto compete against the Air Force and Air Force Reserve winners for the overall Air Force honor guard management title.

EADS honor guard supports numerous high-profile events, including Syracuse University basketball games and the NASCAR Nationwide race at Watkins Glen. The honor guard’s primary task, however, is providing military honors for local veterans’ funerals. EADS supported more than 50 funerals in 2011 and Lamarche personally participated in 35 of the details.

“Winning a national award in an organization of 106,000 people is a remarkable accomplishment,” said Col. Dawne Deskins, EADS Commander. “On behalf of everyone at EADS, I want to say congratulations to Master Sgt. Lamarche and tell him that we’re proud of him. He has spent countless hours of personal time performing honor guard duties and this award is recognition of that selfless dedication.”

Lamarche has managed EADS honor guard since 2009. In addition to this year’s national award, he has been named New York State Honor Guard Program Manager of the Year twice.



Master Sgt. Jeff Lamarche

The 101 Critical Days of Summer Are Here

By Joseph P. Ancone, EADS Safety and Occupational Health Manager

This year the time period of 25 May through 4 September 2012 is designated as the “Critical Days of Summer” safety campaign. The objective of the campaign is to call attention to the tragic loss and/or injury of Airmen during the summertime and to make Airmen realize that safety is personal for them, their families, friends and co-workers. Over the last ten years the Air Force has experienced 218 fatalities during the Critical Days of Summer (201 off-duty, 17 on-duty).

Unfortunately, far too often people fail to recognize the risks associated with their favorite sports and recreational activities and what begins as a day of fun and excitement ends with a visit to the emergency room or, in the worst case, friends and loved ones mourning.

The 101 Critical Days of Summer safety campaign is intended to remind people that they cannot afford to lose focus on safety – on or off the job. Part of the campaign is to address specific areas of concern and how to apply good risk management practices.

First, summer would not be complete without some traveling, which usually means driving. Motor vehicle mishaps are the number one cause of death for members and their families.

Speed, fatigue, alcohol, or combinations of the three contribute to most mishaps. What can people do to reduce mishap potential? One key thing is to not drink and drive or ride with someone who has been drinking. Instead, call a designated driver or a friend for a ride home.

Second, slow down. Recently, an insurance research firm based in San Francisco, reported that ranked military personnel (officer and enlisted) are among the top 40 occupations likely to be involved in an accident,



and to receive speeding and moving violation citations. Just because the speedometer goes over 100 MPH doesn't mean it is good to drive that fast. Adjust your driving speed to reflect the traffic and weather conditions.

Finally, avoid driving fatigue through conscientious trip planning. For example, if engaging in strenuous all-day recreational activities at a location far removed from home, plan to spend the night in the local area. When planning a vacation, include frequent rest stops along the way and overnight hotel stays to avoid marathon driving. Plan on using the same procedures for the return trip.

Also, seat belts and motorcycle personal protective equipment are proven

lifesavers, so take advantage of them.

There are inherent risks in such summer sports as basketball and softball. Fortunately, the most severe injuries usually incurred are broken bones, torn ligaments and bruised egos.

The risks associated with these sports increase when people try to emulate professional athletes, so it may be wise to leave the “Play of the Day” to the pros, who do these things for a living.

One can also reduce the potential for athletic injuries by warming up prior to playing and wearing the recommended personal protective equipment.

Summer also means hiking and camping. It is standard practice to file a trip plan when boating; do the same when hiking or camping in remote areas. In New York, anyone age 14 or older operating a personal watercraft (jet ski) must obtain a NY Safe Boating Certificate. This is also required for youths 10-17 when operating a motorboat without adult supervision.

Carry a fully-charged cell phone and/or portable radio and wear proper clothing and protective equipment. Check weather reports prior to leaving home and periodically throughout the trip. Flash floods and electrical storms can also be a danger. Avoid strenuous activities during the hottest time of the day. Wear a hat, sunscreen and sun glasses. Avoid dehydration by drinking plenty of water, and be careful not to overexert yourself.

Summer should be spent having fun, not making trips to the emergency room. Enjoy the warm days, but make sure to watch yourself and one another.

Mixed Mess Celebrates 88th Anniversary of Royal Canadian Air Force

By Master Cpl. Sean Parent, CF, President of the Mess Committee

On Friday, April 20, Canadian Detachment Rome held an annual mixed Mess Dinner at the Radisson Hotel in Utica. This year marked the 88th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force which was celebrated with a fantastic meal, many musical performances, and a stunning ice sculpture. The meal was complemented by table wine and ice wine generously provided by the Canadian Consul General of Buffalo, New York.

The guest of honour for the evening was Brigadier General Christopher Coates, Deputy Commander, Continental US NORAD Region. BGen. Coates gave a very humorous speech, managing even to land a few friendly and light-hearted jabs at LCol David Pletz. BGen Coates also presented Maj. James Lalonde with a Joint Task Force Afghanistan Commanders Commendation. The commendation was bestowed on Maj. Lalonde for his outstanding contribution in supporting Operation Athena during his deployment to Qatar on the Arabian Peninsula.

Throughout the evening there were musical performances, which saw the piper playing a few sets including “Amazing Grace” and a five minute solo. The 22 Wing band played wonderfully throughout the evening and had a melodic vocalist. A unique addition to this year’s line up was the Rome Free Academy drum line band. The drum line dazzled the crowd, receiving a standing ovation for their efforts. Once the formal portion was over a DJ took over getting many to the dance floor.

The Mess Dinner was a great success in large part to the community and the people working tirelessly to make it happen. I would like to say thank you to everyone for their efforts in making this year’s dinner a remarkable occasion.



Brig. Gen. Christopher Coates, the Deputy Commander of CONR, addresses the audience during the Canadian Forces Mixed Mess Night on April 20.. Also pictured are Major James Lalonde (left) and LCol Dave Pletz (right).



Being Spiritual Without Being Religious

Can you be spiritual without being religious?

My dad used to talk about doing lots of praying on the back of a tractor. Some lie on their backs and look up at the stars wondering if there is someone up there who sees and cares about them. Others have no expectation at all that there is a God.

In our unit, four groupings give us a quick look at our demographic: some kind of Christian (76 percent), no religious preference (19 percent), those identified as not Christian (2 percent) and no response (3 percent).

This can be helpful information especially when you break it down further. For instance, Roman Catholics and Protestants comprise the two largest clusters, each making up a little more than one third of our unit, so there should be some consideration given to that for our chaplain support.

Spirituality is beyond the numbers and categories. It is one of the Air Force's four domains of wellness - one of the major components of your being - therefore it should be given attention. However, the way you do that is extremely personal and may not take organized forms.

Rather than an issue of conversion, spirituality is a matter of activation. This aspect of your life is meant to be dynamic. Answers to a question of religious self-identification probably reflect your thoughts at that moment, but it does not mean that this area of your life has to be static.

Be spiritual. Bring it into other areas of your life. It's not off limits in conversations or at work. And you don't have to be religious.



Lt. Col. Todd Luce
EADS Chaplain



EADS Top 3 Association Selects 2012 Officers

Sr. Master Sgt. David Layton, left, was selected President of the EADS Top 3 at the organization's recent meeting. Master Sgt. Laura Scales, center, will serve as Treasurer and Master Sgt. Tracy Blum, right, is Vice President.

Make Sure You Stay Fit to Fight

By Master Sgt. Michael Weissgarber and Master Sgt. John Mills

AFI 36-2905 and AFI 36-2618 make it clear that it's every airman's responsibility to be physically and mentally fit. Health benefits from an active lifestyle will increase productivity, optimize health, and decrease absenteeism, while maintaining a higher level of readiness.

Several members of our organization have shown their dedication to physical fitness by getting involved in programs such as CrossFit, biking, running, and lifting weights. All of these activities are excellent ways to keep in shape, but don't discredit making simple changes in your lifestyle. Doing some sort of "light" cardio exercise and eating sensibly teaches your body to utilize stored energy more efficiently and gently strengthens bones, muscles and connective tissues. Walking is a tremendous exercise that doesn't require any special equipment. Nutritionists have established that a good diet can increase the effectiveness of your workouts by as much as 75 percent. Eating lean protein, vegetables and healthy fats will help your immune system, provide better quality fuel for your activity and increase the quality of your sleep.

Speaking of sleep, by taking a few minutes to plan and then implement better sleep habits. You'll boost your immune system, increase your recovery, reduce your stress levels and just plain feel better. Make your sleeping space as dark (pitch dark) and as cool (temperature, not decor) as possible. Cover any LED or digital light signals from alarm clocks, phones, TVs or other electronic devices. As for electronic devices...turn them off at least one hour before bedtime and instead read a book or write down any random thoughts from your day. Take a warm and then cool shower, a lower body temperature encourages sleep. Avoid eating any carbohydrates (sugar) an hour before bed. Carbohydrates increase your insulin which in turn will send glucose directly to your brain, increasing brain activity and make it harder for you to fall asleep. You should strive for at least 8 uninterrupted hours of sleep.

Doing regular physical activity at least a few times a week is not only proven to reduce your chances of cardiovascular disease and ensure you are physically ready to accomplish the mission; it's also a great stress reliever. The American Institute of Stress has linked numerous emotional and physical disorders to stress including insomnia, depression, anxiety, heart attacks, stroke, hypertension, immune system deficiencies, and a host of viral linked disorders. In addition, stress can cause rashes, hives, atopic dermatitis and affect the gastrointestinal system by causing things like gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), peptic ulcers, irritable bowel syndrome and ulcerative colitis. The list goes on, but scientists have found that regular participation in aerobic exercise and proper sleep has been shown to minimize your risk as well as decrease overall levels of tension, elevate and stabilize your mood and increase your self-esteem.

As EADS Airmen we have to accomplish our mission regardless of whatever else is going on in our lives. Staying fit is crucial! I urge everyone to dedicate themselves to staying Fit to Fight.



Volunteers Clean Up Perimeter Road

EADS volunteers picked up trash along Perimeter Road from EADS to Rte 365 on April 21. The clean-up was part of Rome's annual Clean and Green effort.

Pictured from left to right are Master Sgt. Derek Skates, Tech. Sgt. Rob Kryczkowski, Tech. Sgt. Lena Lewis, Sr. Airman Marie Coar, Staff Sgt. Jean Warner and Master Sgt. Ron Arbour

Congratulations Corner

The Eastern Air Defense Sector congratulates the following personnel.

Promotions

Aaron Mahoney	Major	March 1
Jason Cole	1st Lt.	April 21
Ed Rojo	Sr. Master Sgt.	March 30

Graduates

Master Sgt. Liberator Parrillo,	Maintenance Management Analysis Course,	March 24
Tech. Sgt. Corey Reynolds	Community College of the Air Force	April
Sr. Master Sgt. Patricia Crane	Senior NCO Academy	May 1

Airman 1st Class Ciera N. Ayers, daughter of Sr. Master Sgt. Clint Ayers and his wife Amy, graduated from Basic Military Training at Lackland Air Force Base on April 12 and will attend Knowledge Operations Management apprentice training at Keesler AFB, Miss. Upon graduation, she will be assigned to the 174th Communications Squadron at Hancock Field in Syracuse.

A Special EADS Welcome to:

Olivia Fay Blackburn, daughter of Derek and Rachel Blackburn, born on March 12.

Declan Pelland, son of Carrie and Matt Pelland, born on March 16.

Noah Johnson, son of Heather and Nick Johnson, born on April 24.

1st Quarter 2012 Award Winners

Company Grade Officer

Capt. John Gancasz

Senior Noncommissioned Officer

Master Sgt. Raam David

Noncommissioned Officer

Tech. Sgt. Jose Ortiz

Airman

Sr. Airman Nicholas Tharrett

Civilian

Dan Melie



Two Griffiss Park Blood Drives Scheduled in May

By Sr. Airman Sabrena Healey

Every minute of every day, someone needs blood. Blood can only come from a volunteer donor like you who makes the choice to donate. There is no substitute for your donation. The need is constant and your contribution is important for a healthy and reliable blood supply. Plus you'll feel good knowing you've helped save a life.

There are two upcoming opportunities to donate here at Griffiss Park:

May 18, 0830-1330. BAE Systems is hosting a drive at Griffiss Institute, 725 Daedalion Drive. This is open donations with appointments preferred. You can visit the Red Cross website listed below to make an appointment.

22 May 0900-1400: AFRL is hosting a drive at the Coliseum, please contact Jaqlyn Karan at 315-330-2643 or visit the Red Cross website listed below.

For information on the Red Cross blood drives go to www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

For donor eligibility requirements, go here: <http://www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood/eligibility-requirements>

EADS Family Picnic and Clam Bake on June 8

EADS Family Picnic and Clam Bake is being held on Friday, June from noon to 1800 at the Lee American Legion. Ticket prices are:

E-1 through E-6 and guests: \$5

E-7 through O-6 and guests: \$10

Civilian employees and guests: Same as equivalent military rank.

Retirees and guests: Same as military rank upon retirement.

Contractors and guests: \$10

Non-military: \$25.

Dependent Children Ticket Prices:

10 and under: FREE

11-20: \$5

21 and up: \$5 or \$10, depending on rank of sponsor.

Tickets can purchased in Bldg 7000 at the orderly room and in Building 703 at Job Control. Last day for ticket sales is June 3. No walk-ins will be allowed.