

# Falcon's

# View

183rd Fighter Wing

Illinois Air National Guard, Springfield, Ill.

August 2009, Vol. IX, No. 8

2 1 7 t h

g e t s

r e a d y

(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Steve Martin)



(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Steve Martin)



(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr)



(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr)

See story on page 3

#### IN THIS ISSUE

EIS gets Colonel Walker's ready Retirement Page 3 Page 5

Air Force News Page 7

Clinic News Page 8

Announcements Page 11

#### **Just the Facts**

# Unit Training Assembly Schedule and pay dates

and pay dates

Suty Performed Pays out (approx

<u>Duty Performed</u>	Pays out (approx.)
AUG 1-2	AUG 12
<b>SEP 12-13</b>	<b>SEP 23</b>
OCT 3-4	OCT 13

**PLEASE NOTE:** Duty hours for each UTA/SUTA will be 0800-1200 and 1300-1700 unless otherwise scheduled in advance. Mark your calendar! For more pay information, see the DFAS website at http://www.dfas.mil/index.htm. Pay information is under the Money Matters heading.

#### Attention!

The deadline for the SEPTEMBER issue of the Falcon's View SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, at 1700.

### On Base Emergency

CALL 911 FOR <u>ALL</u> YOUR ON-BASE EMERGENCY NEEDS.

### **Important Contacts**

Commercial (217) 757-1XXX on base use 3-digit Ext.

Main Gate	205
Base Commander	219
Base Operations	202
217th EIS Commander	
Pass and Registration	481
Recruiting	
Public Affairs	
<b>Customer Service</b>	308
Military Pay	225
Clinic	221
Safety	237
Chaplain	
Wing IG	

**Toll Free Number** 1-800-392-1797

#### **183rd Human Resource Advisor**

# Execution through Engagement

by Senior Master Sgt. Brenda Korte Human Resource Advisor

Are you "executing"?
Are you "engaged"?
These terms have become buzz words in the military, business, and education circles. The HRA theme for August is combining these two terms and addressing Execution through Engagement.



A relentless focus on execution – combined

with total engagement of an Airman's heart and mind – leads to mission accomplished. With our new missions at the 183rd, execution through engagement fits in perfectly. Not only are there new career fields, but there are new positions, new people to work with, and new opportunities every day. I encourage each of us



to execute each new challenge, become fully engaged, and strive for excellence. We also need to encourage and support others in education, leadership, future opportunities.

Remember to ask ourselves: "What did I

do today to push on the flywheel?"

- What is your personal commitment to support and develop your Airmen to lead?
- What contributions are you making to engage your Airmen in preparing themselves for future possibilities?
- Do you lead so that your Airmen can tell their Airmen that you stood for something and you acted on it?

#### 217th Engineering Squadron

# Operation Poker Face

by Lt. Col. James Loux 217th EIS Commaner

When Engineering Installations (EI) units were first moved to ACC we were told that we would conduct the Phase II ORIs along with Phase I. Previously we were tasked and evaluated to deploy multiple teams, LOGDET and vehicles under Phase I. The actual employment of all the teams and equipment was not evaluated. Our real world EI deployments are typically with small teams that are right sized to complete the assigned project. Each project varies according to scope, associated construction, material items and sometimes coordination with contractors. Under a Phase II evaluation we had to plan for a large scale deployment where we could exercise multiple teams all at once. We had to design projects that would have teams working together and then also demonstrate command and control while de-

WARNA A SECTO ADD ENT REINO COURTED TO SECTOR OF THE ADD ENTIRE OF THE ADD ENTIRE

(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Steve Martin)

ployed. Every EI unit has cable, ground radio, airfield communications, satellite WIDEBAND, drafting, engineering, quality assurance, vehicle maintenance and management teams in addition to about 10 more specialized teams. Planning projects to evaluate those capabilities requires a lot of lead time and money to set up the projects and the exercise area.

We knew we would have to run members through different MOPP levels, have different scenarios practicing self-aid buddy care, conducting Post Attack Reconnaissance and set up transition zones. Every drill we've been reviewing the AFMAN 10-100 and bring it to each roll call. We also set up round robin training for about three months prior to the exercise and gave hands on training for MOPP levels, SABC and PAR teams.

From this first exercise we wanted determine if the projects we designed could be installed in 48 hours. From observing other EI units we've learned that if the projects are done too quickly the remaining time is filled with all

kinds of ATSO scenarios. Back in Oct 2008 the unit leadership decided that the best time to have our first ORE would be in June. Our hope was that the weather would hold out; it would be warm, but not hot. The ground wouldn't

be saturated and we only had a few real world projects going on so most of our members could participate. Well, we got 1 out of 3. The heat index



(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr)

never got below 100 degrees and we couldn't get our big vehicles into the field without tearing up the ground.

We had a lot of help planning this exercise and a lot of offers for help. Senior Master Sgt. Beth Skeeters, Civil Engineering, helped get all the exercise markers, grid maps and Entry Control point barricades. The barricades came with signs for Reno and Vegas so we named our exercise "Operation Poker Face". We set up tents, trailers and equipment in the area north or outback of vehicle maintenance. We started calling this "Outbackistan". Comm helped with Land Mobile Radios and the Giant Voice system; Logistics Squadron and Vehicle Maintenance helped with facilities and equipment. Many thanks to everyone that helped and offered to help. Both Channel 17 and Channel 20 came out and filmed portions of the exercise. Special thanks to Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr, Audiovisual, and Master Sgt. Steve Martin, 217th, for taking all the photos.

#### **Chaplain's Corner**

## Remembering the past

by Lt. Col. Jeff Laible 183rd Fighter Wing Chaplain

The July Fourth holiday has come and gone. This midsummer holiday has much more meaning for me now than it did before. All those overseas deployment experiences have changed my entire outlook on what freedom means to me. I am much more conscious of the "price" that freedom demands. Many of us have been called upon, during our time in the military, to "pay" for the freedom we enjoy. Some have paid the ultimate price, by giving their lives in service to their country. I stand in awe of all those who have paid the highest price, and I will be forever grateful to all our veterans, past and present, who have ensured the precious gift of our freedom.

As I pen this article, I do so on the eve of July Fourth, our Independence Day weekend of celebrations and festivities. A few years ago I came across a short summary of those who signed the Declaration of Independence. Every year at this time. I take a minute to reflect on this brief historical summary. It adds meaning and purpose not only to this Independence Day weekend, but also for our military service today. I hope you will read this with reverence and gratitude for the sacrifices that were made by these 56 brave leaders and their families.

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence? Five signers were captured by the British as traitors and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War. They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were mer-



chants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners: men of means, well educated, but they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured. Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts and died in rags.

Thomas McKeam

was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward. Vandals and soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Ruttledge, and Middleton. At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr, noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and propertied destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished.

So, take a few minutes while enjoying your July Fourth holiday and silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid, is it? Remember, freedom is not free.

~Author Unknown

## CHAPLAINS' INFORMATION &

#### **Roman Catholic Chaplains:**

Lt. Col. Bob Barry 3700 103rd Street Chicago, IL 60655 phone: 773-296-3857 email: RLBarry@worldnet.att.net or robert.barry@ilspri.ang.af.mil

Lt. Col. Jeff Laible 316 S. Logan Street Lincoln, IL 62656 phone: 217-732-4019 email: Frlaible@ holyfamilylincoln.com

#### **Base Chapel Office:**

Bldg. P-48, Room 302 Phone 217-757-1367, DSN 892-8367 Fax (217)757-1509

Religious Services Protestant Service: Saturday 1500hrs Chapel Catholic Mass: Saturday 1600hrs Chapel



**Falcon's View** Page 4 August 2009

#### **Retirement Ceremony**

# The 183rd Fighter Wing says goodbye to Colonel Walker

by Senior Airman Chasity Johnson 183rd Public Affairs

"Today is a happy and a sad day," said Col. Michael A. Meyer, 183rd Fighter Wing commander.

After 22 years of service, Col. Amy L. Walker, the 183rd Medical Group commander, has retired.

During the retirement ceremony, which was held July 11 in the base auditorium, Meyer expressed the progress Walker made during her time here.

"As a Wing, we have greatly benefited from her expertise," said Meyer. "She has helped make the Wing and the Air National Guard better."

Meyer was so impressed with her accomplishments during her time as a commander that he put her in for the Humanitarian Services Medal.

At the ceremony, Walker was accompanied by family and friends, including her older brother, a Vietnam veteran.

Also in attendance were the members of the Medical Group, whom she often refers to as here extended family.

"You guys have been so much to me over the years," Walker said to the members of the Medical Group with tear-filled eyes. "You guys are my family."



Col. Amy Walker (left), 183rd Medical Group Commander, is presented her Retirement Certificated by Col. Michael Meyer (right), 183rd Fighter Wing Commander, during a ceremony held on July 11 at the base. (Photo taken by Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr)



Col. Amy Walker, 183rd Medical Group Commander, observes a display in her honor at her retirement ceremony held at the 183rd Fighter Wing on July 11. (photo taken by Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr)

Although Walker reminisced about the good times she's had as the Medical Group commander during the ceremony, she also touched upon the trials and tribulations she has encountered during her time here.

During the first half of 2007, Walker was forced to succumb to a string of personal and professional tragedies. Within a 4-month-span, Walker lost both of her parents and the Medical Group failed a Health Services Inspection.

Walker was given 18 months to turn around the Medical Group and garner a passing score during the next inspection. Not only did the Medical Group acquire a passing score during the subsequent inspection, they exceeded the baseline standards by scoring a 96, the highest score in the National Guard in 2008.

"It was a 'Rocky Balboa moment' when we got that score," said Walker. "That score should've been in a film."

After accomplishing this victory, Walker said she felt that it was time to retire.

"This is a great time to leave, on a high note," said Walker. "When my family used to go on vacation, my mother would always say 'Hey. We're going to leave the cabin better then we found it.""

It is evident by her work over the years and by the progress that Walker has made with the Medical Group that she performed her tasks with the adage of her mother in mind.

#### **Lunch Menu**

#### **Recruiting**

#### Ceremony

## August Lunch Menu served 1100-1300 catered



#### **Saturday**

BBQ pulled pork on bun Creamy cole slaw Potatoe salad Potato chips Fresh fruit salad Salad bar Strawberry short cake

#### Sunday

Grilled/smoked BBQ chicken

Rice pilaf Buttered peas Glazed carrots Chicken gravy Salad bar Peach crisp

\*Menu is subject to change

#### Show me the money

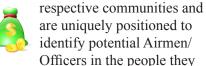
submitted by Master Sgt. Matt Allen Recruiting Office

Attention all Traditional Guardsman and Traditional Retirees!!!

Did you know that there is a program in place that will pay you great money for assisting someone in enlisting into the Air National Guard called the Guard Recruiting Assistant Program?

A Recruiting Assistant or RA can earn \$2,000.00 for any new enlisted individuals and \$4,000.00 for any officer that you bring to the Air National Guard.

Air National Guard Recruiting Assistants are embedded in their



already know. It's the effective way to promote strength from within.

To find out more, individuals can voluntarily apply online at www. GuardRecruitingAssistant.com or by calling 866-566-2472.

#### **Wreath Ceremony**

submitted by retired Chief Master Sgt. Theresa Snyder NCOAGA Chapter 17 President

The wreath laying ceremony that was scheduled to be held Sunday, July 12, was cancelled. It has been rescheduled for 0900 on Saturday, Sept. 12, by the static display.

Please remember if you know of any retires that have passed away since the last ceremony held in October 2008 to contact Mr. Joe Ward, Family Readiness Manager, with the name so that he or she can be honored during the next wreath laying ceremony.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.



#### Six Flags

Once again, the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy Graduates Association, Chapter 75, has discounted tickets for Six Flags in St. Louis.

The Six Flags tickets are available for purchase in the Financial Management Office, building P-48. The park will be open from March 28 to Nov. 9. Please go to the Six Flags website to view park hours for these dates. Tickets this year are as follows:

Ticket	<b>NCO AGA price</b>	Gate price plus tax
1 day General Admission	\$24.00	\$39.99
2 day adult	\$41.00	\$42.99
2 day child*	\$34.00	\$32.99
Season Pass**	\$46.00	\$64.99

\* Children 48" and under; Children age two and under are free

\*\* The Season Pass is only valid for residences with a zip code outside a 50mile radius of Six Flags St. Louis. You must first validate your season ticket at Six Flags in St. Louis and get your season pass, then you may use it at any Six Flags.

For the Six Flags calendar and events, go to http://www.sixflags.com/stLouis/events/CalendarEvents.aspx

#### **Air Force News**

# Prescription drugs can end your career

Commentary by Col. Howard Hayes 354th Medical Group commander

5/1/2009 - EIELSON AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska (AFNS) -- A technical sergeant in my squadron took a single pill from his son's prescription bottle in May 2007, and that pill started him down the road toward a court-martial and discharge from the Air Force.

The drug was a low-level amphetamine used to correct attention deficit disorder. Both the sergeant and his son suffered from the same condition and used the same medication. The NCO had exhausted his supply and since he was too busy to make an appointment, he took the pill from his son's supply. Without a current prescription, he was found guilty of illegal drug use.

When I heard about the case, I thought, "No big deal. It was the correct drug. He had just run out. After all, his doctor would probably renew the prescription when he went in for his next appointment." As it turns out, this NCO lost his line number for master sergeant and was referred for court-martial.

Nothing I could do as his commander could stop the process as he had turned up positive on a urinalysis test without a prescription. The case was referred to a major general who allowed the sergeant to remain in the Air Force after paying a fine and losing his line number.

Later that year, a master sergeant complained to his friend that he was having trouble concentrating on the job. His Top-3 buddy told him that it sounded just like his attention deficit disorder and he gave the sergeant one of his pills. He told his friend to wait until the weekend to take the drug since he didn't know how it would affect another person.

Well, that weekend his friend took the pill and on Monday it was detected on a urinalysis test. The master sergeant was found guilty of distributing drugs and his friend was guilty of using an amphetamine with-



out a prescription. Both were lucky enough to receive early retirements.

Each time the clinic gives you a new prescription, your provider will give you instructions on the use of that drug. When you pick the drug up, the pharmacist will review your medica-

tions in the computer, print out an instruction sheet for your use, ensure the bottle is properly labeled, and finally ask if you understand how to use the drug.

If you are taking an antibiotic, we will tell you to take all the pills. Although you may begin to feel well soon after the first dose, it is important to consume all the pills in order to affect possible resistant strains of bacteria. If you are prescribed a pain killer, you must use the drug for the injury that it is currently prescribed for and not store the drug for future use.

You cannot self-prescribe medications for the same symptoms just because you have pills left over, unless your current provider has clearly given you permission to do so and your prescription is still valid. And, you cannot provide your drugs to another person; that's a violation of both state laws and the Uniformed Code of Military Justice.

Drugs have a shelf-life, are dangerous around young children, and will only cause you problems when they are no longer needed. If you have old prescriptions the President's Office of National Drug Control Policy recommends that you:

- 1. Take your prescription drugs out of their original containers.
- 2. Mix drugs with an undesirable substance, such as cat litter or used coffee grounds.
- 3. Put this mixture into a disposable container with a lid, such as an empty margarine tub, or sealable bag.
- 4. Conceal or remove any personal information, including prescription number, on the empty containers by covering it with black permanent marker or duct tape, or by scratching it off.
- 5. Place the sealed container with the mixture, and the empty drug containers, in the trash.

Bottom line: Don't take drugs from your friends or give drugs to others. It's illegal. It can ruin your career, and it can have serious health consequences.

#### **Clinic News**

# National Immunization Awareness Month

by Tech. Sgt. Amy Murphy 183rd Medical Group

As many of you are well aware, vaccines are a part of our everyday life in the military. They are a required part of our overall health and well-being as a member of the military. Let's review the particular vaccines that are administered in the Air National Guard.

#### **Typhoid**

- Caused by the bacteria salmonella typhi
- Symptoms include high fever, weakness, headache, rash and loss of appetite
- Generally spread through contaminated water and food.
- Once you receive the vaccine, you are protected for two years. After two years, you will receive a booster shot.

#### Hepatitis A

- Is a serious liver disease caused by the hepatitis A virus
- Symptoms vary from mild "flu-like" symptoms to jaundice, (yellow skin) stomach pains and diarrhea.
- It is a two shot series, given six months apart, with no annual booster required

#### Hepatitis B

- Caused by the hepatitis B virus
- You may experience loss of appetite, jaundice, pain all over your body, liver cancer or even death.
  - A three shot series, given at
  - First dose: at elected date
  - Second dose: one month later
- Third dose: six months after the first dose, with no booster required

#### **Anthrax**

- Caused by the bacteria bacillus anthracis
- Usually comes from infected animals, wool, meat or hides
- Most common form is the skin disease, which can cause fever and fatigue
- When inhaled (biological form) you can become short of breath and get muscle aches, meningitis or a sore throat
  - It is a series of five shots, with an annual booster **Tdap**

- · Caused by various bacteria
- Symptoms range from lockjaw, heart failure, whooping cough to pneumonia
- It is a shot that is good for ten years, after which another shot will be administered.

#### **IPPD**

- Caused by the bacteria myobacterium tuberculosis
- Symptoms range from coughing up blood, pain in the chest to fever and chills
- A small needle is inserted into your forearm and the vaccine is administered. You read that area in two to three days and notify the clinic of your results.
- It is only performed on certain members that are deploying to certain areas

#### **Smallpox**

- Caused by the virus called variola
- Spreads from person to person with direct contact of body fluids, bedding and clothing that have the virus on them.
- You fill out a screening form to determine if you receive the vaccine now, or when you arrive in country
- Administered with a bifurcated needle, 15 small jabs are applied to the upper arm.
  - You will be educated on after care of the vaccine site

#### Influenza

- Caused by the influenza virus
- You could experience fever, cough, chills and fatigue
- There are two types of influenza vaccines, activated and inactivated. The activated vaccine is the Flu Mist and the inactivated one is the shot. With the Flu Mist you will fill out a screening form, to determine if you are eligible for it.

As with any vaccination, you might experience some mild side effects that will go away within a few days of receiving your immunization. Here are a few:

- Fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit
- Headache
- Redness or swelling at the injection site Serious side effects:
- · Difficulty breathing
- Wheezing
- Hives
- · Fast heartbeat
- Dizziness
- Swelling of the throat

If any of these occur, call your doctor or go to the nearest emergency room for treatment.

#### **Comm Flight Facts**

# Defenders of the network

by Capt. Shawn Strahle 183rd Communications Flight Commander

From December 2008 to May 2009 the Department of Defense spent over 100 million dollars in to repair damages from cyber attack caused by viruses and hackers.

In May of 2009, President Barack Obama announced that he will be launching a new cybersecurity office within the White House.

On June 23, Defense Secretary Robert Gates announced the creation of a new military command that's sole purpose is cyber-security. The new command will fall under the United States Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM) and will be led by the Director of the National Security Agency, Lt. Gen Keith Alexander.

In 2009, the Air Force will be standing up in its own cyber command, the 24th Air Force, which will be a part of the Air Force Space Command (AFSPC) and for now located at Lackland AFB, TX.

These are monumental moves to address the short comings in cyber offensive and defensive capabilities within civilian and military computer networks. This is an exciting and challenging time to be in the communications field.

In the past 2 years there have been 17 major network security occurrences. The importance of reliable secure communications is no longer something that can be taken for granted. Computer networks both civilian and military are attacked hundreds, if not thousands, of times a day by a wide range of hackers. These range from teenage hackers testing their skills to organized operations by foreign nations.

In 2008, the Federal Government reported 18,050 cyber –security breaches. One only has to look at this year's of several terabytes of data on the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter project. In April 2009, the U.S electric grid was breached by cyber hackers from China and Russia. They left behind software to shutdown the systems.

The communications CIA
Triad (Confidentiality, Integrity and
Availability) are the foundation that
we build upon to operate a reliably
network. This can be for phone,
computer, and radio networks that
support our day to day operations
and maintain readiness

The Information Technology (IT) network has to be viewed as a critical system that now is in indispensible for connecting and controlling vital resources.

It is the responsibility of all

network users to be trustworthy operators, whether at work or home. The Information Assurance training that is provided by the Communications Squadron is just the first step in being effective cyber warriors.

It is vital that you also secure your home network as well. One of the favorite methods of Denial of Service Attacks (DoS) is for the hacker to scan and find vulnerable home networks and install a Botnet through malicious software. They then can be used to commandeer certain services on your computer to join it with thousands of other hijacked system. This commandand-control infrastructure then gives the Hacker a powerful network to attack with. Not to mention the possible loss of private data on the system that the hacker is sending back to their control computers.

You can be a "Cyber Defender" by a few simple steps such as using firewall, patching system updates, anti-spyware software, and anti-virus software are all easy to do and greatly reduce the likelihood that your system will be hacked.

The Communications Squadron is here to educate and help everyone become more informed and effective defenders of the network. If you have questions and need help in the right direction on best practices please contact us.



## Don't get lazy when it comes to OPSEC.

August 2009 Falcon's View Page 9

#### **Retirees**

#### **New Retirees**

Tech. Sgt. Larry J. Shaw Master Sgt. Candance J. Cartwright 183rd Logisitics Squadron 183rd Maintenance Squadron June 28, 2009 June 29, 2009

#### Retirees breakfast gathering

Come join the retirees for breakfast. Some are new, some are old, and some are even older than that, but it's always an enjoyable way to start the day. The monthly retiree's breakfast will be on Tuesday, Aug. 4, at King Pin Lanes on the corner of Sangamon Ave. and Dirksen Parkway. They say they meet at 8 a.m., but if you're not there by 7:30 a.m., the early birds have taken the good seats!



#### Fall semi-annual retirees luncheon planned

Retirees of the 183rd Fighter Wing will be getting together to share stories of days-gone-by and catch up on what is new.

Every retiree is encouraged to attend and bring someone with you.

If you need more information or have questions, contact the Public Affairs office at 217-757-1267 or Mr Walt Pierce at 217-787-1226

What: Semi-Annual Retiree Luncheon When: Friday, Oct. 2, 2009, at 11:30 a.m.

Where: Diamond Buffet (formerly Shakey's Pizza and Buffet), 2441 S. MacArthur Blvd., Spring-

field.

Cost: \$7.50 per person covers a meal, drinks, dessert, and tax. (A gratuity basket will be avail-

able.)

#### **Nutrition Clinic**



(Photo taken by Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr)

A Nutrition Clinic was held on July 11 at the 183rd Fighter Wing.

Master Sgt. Brandeana Breden (photo, left), and 2nd Lt. Jennifer Menser (photo, right) present information about nuturition to members of the 183rd Fighter Wing.



U.S. Department of Agriculture

The briefing included information on portion size and a visiualization on sugar and fat content..

#### **Announcements**

#### **Promotions**

#### **Lieutenant Colonel**

Tracy L. Timmons

#### **Master Sergeant**

Michael J. Behrens Michael L. Brenneke Shawn M. Coventry

#### **Technical Sergeant**

Holly M. Bounds Daniel J. Casson Joseph L. Horn Dane Z. Smith

#### **Staff Sergeant**

Kara M. Bishop Matthew J. Shelton

#### **Senior Airman**

Kristin S. Pappenfoht Christopher D. Pugh



#### Mark Your Calendar!

The 183rd Fighter Wing will host a blood drive during the September Unit Training Assembly in support of the Central Illinois Community Blood Center. The



Central Illinois Community Blood Center is the only blood provider to 19 central Illinois hospitals, including Memorial Medical Center and St. John's Hospital.

When: Saturday, Sept. 12th Time: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: The "Bloodmobile" will be parked in front of Building P-48 Current members, retirees, and family members are encouraged to donate. Sixteen and 17 year olds are allowed to donate with parent's permission.

Walk-ins are always welcomed, but if possible please contact Chief Master Sgt. Devra Schoby at ext. 557 to schedule a time. If you have any questions about donating you can call the Blood Center 217-753-1530.

Together, let's make this year's blood drive a success.

#### New baby



**Staff Sgt. Jerid Fuqua (183FSS)** and Samantha Harper are the proud new parents of a baby boy.

Gannon David Harper McGee was born on July 3, at 1:17 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Congratulations!

#### **Welcome Aboard**

#### **New Enlistees**

Senior Airman Renee M. Jackson	Detachment 1	June 1, 2009
Staff Sgt. Barry M. Edwards II	Detachment 1	June 4, 2009
Airman 1st Class Aaron T. Lawler	183rd Civil Security Forces Squadron	June 5, 2009
Staff Sgt. Angela A. Scott	183rd Fighter Wing	June 5, 2009
Airman 1st Class Benjamin D. Shuster	183rd Security Forces Squadron	June 5, 2009
Capt. Russell W. Rumley	Detachment 1	June 6, 2009
Master Sgt. Brian Y. Waldrop	183rd Logistics Squadron	June 6, 2009
Lt. Col. Gregory M. Henderson	Detachment 1	June 8, 2009
Senior Airman Matthew D. Yore	Detachment 1	June 11, 2009
Senior Airman Jacob M. Hemp	183rd Civil Engineering Squadron	June 14, 2009
Airman 1st Class Jason A. D. Boehm	183rd Security Forces Squadron	June 25, 2009
Airman 1st Class Michael D. Speicher	183rd Civil Engineering Squadron	June 25, 2009
Capt. Nicholas A. Johnson	Detachment 1	June 26, 2009
Staff Sgt. Jacob M. Boehm	Detachment 1	June 29, 2009

183d FW/PA Illinois Air National Guard Capital Airport 3101 J. David Jones Parkway Springfield, IL 62707-5001



#### **COMMANDER**

Colonel Michael A. Meyer

#### **183D PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Master Sgt. Shaun Kerr Master Sgt. Samuel Kassis Staff Sgt. Steven D. Martin Staff Sgt. Shelly Stark Senior Airman Sarah Pherigo Senior Airman Chasity Johnson

#### **PRINTING**

Helmer Printing, Beldenville, Wis.

#### **NEWS SERVICES**

AFPS – The American Forces Press Service and ACC/NGB News Services; other base newspapers.

This funded Air Force Newspaper is an authorized publication for the members of the U.S. military services. Contents of the Falcon's View are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the US Government, DoD, the Department of the Air Force or the Air National Guard. The editorial content is edited, prepared, and provided by the Public Affairs office of the 183d Fighter Wing. All photographs are Air Force photographs unless otherwise indicated.



## **Stop Delivery**

If you are **not an active member** of the 183d Fighter Wing or 217<sup>th</sup> EIS and you don't wish to receive the Falcon's View, call (217) 757-1267 or email 183FW.PA@ ang.af.mil to be removed from the mailing list.