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by Col. Dennis Grunstad

153 AW commander

I hope everyone experienced a safe and enjoyable Independence Day weekend. Fireworks, barbecues, ball games and other similar time-honored activities that happen with fourth of July celebrations have been common since the Declaration of Independence was signed July 4, 1776. For the next 234 years, there were many historical occasions associated



with the fourth of July. In 1781, Massachusetts was the first state to recognize it as a state celebration. One decade later, the first recorded use of the name "Independence Day" occurred. The U.S. Congress made Independence Day an unpaid holiday for federal employees in 1870 and 63 years later, Congress changed it to a paid federal holiday.

Our independence from Great Britain was just the beginning of major changes to come, from the way we recognize the holiday to the manner in which we celebrate it. The progression of the most popular summer holiday is not much different than the progression that takes place through any other event's history, to include the Wyoming Air National Guard.

For over 60 years now, the WyANG has undergone numerous changes, big and small, from its mission focus to its manning. These changes happened for a reason, as did the changes associated with Independence Day. We started as the 187th Fighter Squadron and

adopted a new designation as the 187th Medical Transport Squadron in 1961. Just two years later in 1963, we received the C-121 "Super Constellation" aircraft and began the critical mission of strategic airlift. In 1972, the WyANG received its first C-130 Hercules aircraft. The models have been updated throughout the past four decades, but the C-130 is still going strong, contributing to our wing's multiple missions, both stateside

and overseas.

These changes and many other unmentioned changes could not have taken place without a specific need. As our wing makes our way through 2010, we will be performing numerous inspections and evaluations – from individual unit to wing level. This includes the upcoming UCI and ORI. Some units have already successfully passed their unit specific inspections and I want to thank those units for these outstanding accomplishments – the 153rd Medical Group, the 187th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron and the 243rd Air Traffic Control Squadron. Your efforts are contributing to the proud history of Wyoming Air National Guard, much the same way key events contributed to Independence Day from 1776 to the present day.

Please continue the great work toward keeping the 153 AW the best unit in the world and we'll continue to celebrate these accomplishments and changes, only without the fireworks. 🇺🇸

Dear 153rd Airlift Wing members, families and friends:

Inevitably, change happens all around us – at work, in our personal lives and everywhere else. The 153rd Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office is no exception to this occurrence.

In early August, Lt. Rusty Ridley is heading to Dover Air Force Base, Del., to work at the Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations Center for six months. There he will be assisting the public affairs office with the dignified remains mission, which renders the utmost care and honor to our fallen comrades when they return to home, one last time. As a former chaplain assistant and a newly trained PA officer, this was an incredible opportunity for him to serve his country in a whole new, heartfelt way.

Tech. Sgt. Leisa Grant has accepted a position as assistant editor at the National Guard Bureau's Command Information Center. She will be very busy editing and writing for the "On Guard," the official magazine of the National Guard. As a very recent graduate of public affairs training, she is eager to take on this challenge and bring the knowledge back to Wyoming after her tour ends in 2013. While Grant is aware that Washington, D.C. is going to be quite different from the open air and winds of Wyoming, she is looking forward to the assignment.

It has been our pleasure to serve you over the past year and we hope you have enjoyed The Guardian and the web site. While we are away, our newsletter's format will change to a simpler and more manageable format for the remaining PA office folks, who are primarily photographers and videographers. Ridley will return in early 2011 to pick right back up with some fresh ideas for the newsletter, along with newly hired and trained PA staff. Stay tuned!

Regards,

The 153 AW Public Affairs Office

Fire Prevention Tip of the Month

When cooking...

1. Never leave cooking unattended.
2. Wear clothes with short, roll-up, or tight-fitting sleeves.
3. For each pot or pan you use, have its lid out to cover it.
4. Keep the cooking areas clear of combustibles.
5. Turn pot and pan handles inward on the stove so they can't be bumped.
6. Keep small children away from the cooking area while in use.



Fun run/walk at wing family picnic

To promote fitness and fellowship, the Rising Six Council is sponsoring the first annual fun run/walk during the picnic. The fun run/walk will be around the lake at Lyons Park and will start at 11 a.m. Family members and friends are encouraged to participate! Challenge another unit to a competition! Children's T-shirts and tickets for a Finish Line gift card will be on sale. Come and get involved!

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Need someone to drive you home? Call one of the wing volunteers for safe and confidential transportation. Friday & Saturday, 1900-0300 Call: (307) 214-0662 or 214-1763

**COULD YOU BE A KEY
TO MISSION SUCCESS?**

The 153rd Airlift Wing Family Readiness Program is looking for family members who want to volunteer. Find out more by contacting the Family Readiness office at (307) 772-6063

Sexual assault: fact or fiction?

by Lt. Col. Amy Olson

153 AW executive officer

Based on feedback and questions from some Wing personnel, I started doing some homework about common myths and misconceptions



related to sexual assault. The information I found was very interesting, surprising, saddening at times, and scary. For all

of our enhanced understanding and education I am going to share some of the more common facts and statistics in this month's column.

My door is ALWAYS open if anyone wants to just talk about the subject, or has any questions or concerns. Your questions and comments get me thinking and snooping around; they give me an idea of what's really on the minds of our Airmen. Keep it coming!!

Sexual assault occurs without regard to race, gender, age, socioeconomic status, prior relationship, or sexual orientation.

Rape has little to do with sex and passion; it is a crime of violence, power, humiliation and domination. In fact, 75 percent of convicted rapists report being married or having other sexual partners at the time of the assault. Interestingly, statistics do not support the myth that women report a sexual assault to get revenge on a man. Between 2-5 percent of reported rapes

are false reports and that is the same rate as any other falsely reported crimes. The assaults are not necessarily the back alley or dark bunker scene with a ski mask and threat of violence-over 80 percent of victims know their assailant.

In 2008, 6.8 percent of women and 1.8 percent of men in the military reported being victims of some degree of sexual assault. There were close to 3,000 sexual assaults reported in 2008 and of those, 251 occurred in Iraq and Afghanistan. Sexual assault is the most under-reported crime. Approximately 90 percent of sexual assaults are not being reported, usually for reasons such as shame, guilt, or fear. That's a scary fact for two reasons: One

it leads people to walk around with a false sense of security that sexual assault is not happening; and two, the victim is not likely to get the medical, emotional, and advocacy support that is critical to timely, more complete healing.



Survivors exhibit a spectrum of emotional responses such as: calm, hysteria, laughter, guilt, apathy, and shock. Each survivor copes with the trauma of the assault in a different way. Common reactions include depression, post traumatic stress disorder, eating disorders, substance abuse, even suicide. The level to which survivors experiences these issues

is directly related to the level of support and assistance received. Important messages to portray to the survivor are: I believe you. You are not to blame. Help is available; you don't have to cope with this alone.

A person is not LEGALLY capable of giving consent if under 18, intoxicated by drugs and/or alcohol, developmentally disabled, or mentally or physically unable to do so (i.e. passed out). No means NO and the inability to say no does NOT imply yes! The bottom line is no one EVER deserves to be sexually assaulted and it's NEVER the victim's fault. Remember every victim of sexual assault is someone's daughter, son, brother, sister, or friend.

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Wyoming Guard works hand-in-hand with Fremont County residents to keep flood waters at bay

by Tech. Sgt. Leisa Grant and Capt. Tim Lockwood

Wyoming Air National Guard Public Affairs

LANDER, Wyo. -- The last time the water ran this high in Lander and Riverton was 1963. It was also the last time the Wyoming National Guard deployed to the Fremont County valley. But like a good friendship that lasts through the ages, so the members of the Wyoming Military Department were welcomed back.

"It's great to have them here," said Randy Newman of Lander. "They have been a real helping hand for all of us."

Newman works for Rocky Mountain Premix Concrete and has been working in and around Lander with his people to help bolster the defenses of the rising water.

"Now that [the Guard personnel] are here, the sheriff and police can get back to their regular patrols and help people out around town," he said. "They keep the 'looky loos' from wandering around were they shouldn't and have been really adding some needed hands to help with building flood barriers."

As of June 10, more than 220 Wyoming National Guard

Soldiers and Airmen were in Fremont County helping residents with sandbagging, security, evacuations and other flood mitigation efforts. Gov. Dave Freudenthal began calling the Guard into action June 7.

The goodwill is mutual on both sides. Staff Sgt. Evan Reed, a security forces Airman with the Wyoming Quick Reaction Force, said that the community has been supportive of the Wyoming Guard coming in to help.

"They recognize we are here to help and they are appreciative of the assistance we are providing," he said. "We have had the opportunity to form some excellent working relationships on the fly with local law enforcement and other emergency agencies." Reed, along with the other members of the QRF, were on hand to provide assistance with evacuations, as well as providing safety patrols in high risk areas for flood waters. But it's not all roses and sunshine for the Guard members.

"It's hard to help people trying to save their homes and know there is only so much we

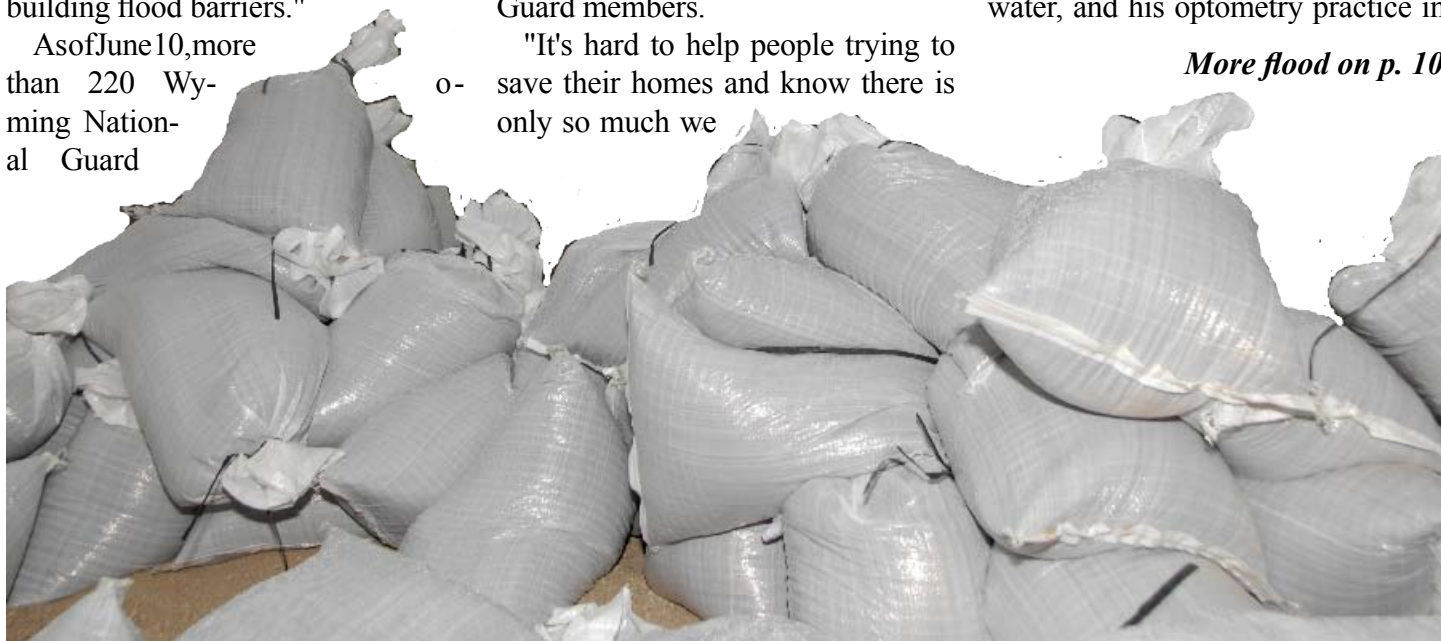
can do before the water wins out," he said.

Most residents whose homes were at risk of being flooded had either relocated temporarily with friends and family, or had been given shelter and supplies by the American Red Cross.

Linda Hulme's mother, June was one of those residents. Hulme said her mother has lived in a high risk flooding area for more than 40 years. But this high water was just a little too close this time, Hulme said, so she and other family members moved her mother's things out of the house - just in case the water rised higher and flooded her home. She will be stayed with Hulme for the time being.

Dave Rodgers, a local optometrist who lives just up the river from June Hulme, said he has two reasons to be grateful for the support of the community members and the Wyoming National Guard - his home, located on 25 acres next to the rapid moving water, and his optometry practice in

More flood on p. 10



Five reasons diversity is essential in the Air National Guard

by Chief Master Sgt. James Branom

State Human Resource Advisor

1. *It's the right thing to do!*

America's promise is a moral imperative that every life is precious and every spirit deserves dignity and respect.



2. *It's the law of the land and organizational policy*

We defend a nation of laws-America's laws being the cornerstone of our democracy are non-negotiable.

3. *Changing demographics*

This is a readiness issue! The war for talent demands that we understand and respond to society's demographic shifts.

4. *It is essential in building safe and productive work environments*

Our Airmen will only produce their best work in an environment of emotional and physical well-being.

5. *It directly impacts our ability to perform our mission*

Leveraging diversity not only impacts recruiting and retention, but impacts every aspect of our mission readiness and mission accomplishment!

"It is said that if you know your enemies and know yourself, you will not be imperiled in a hundred battles; if you do not know your enemies but do know yourself, you will win one and lose one; if you do not know your enemies nor yourself, you will be imperiled in every single battle."

~ Sun Tsu, Chinese general

Wyo. Air Guard personnel return

The Wyoming Air National Guard's 30th Airlift Squadron left two weeks ago for a commitment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, rotating personnel and equipment into Afghanistan.

The 39 personnel will be deployed for up to 60 days. Their mission overseas is to provide airlift support for U.S. forces.

The personnel who have

been deployed since May arrived in Cheyenne on July 2, at 2 p.m.

"We are fortunate to be able to rotate personnel periodically throughout our commitment," said Col. Dennis Grunstad, 153rd Airlift Wing

commander. "Hopefully this minimizes the impact on our airmen's family life and civilian employment, allowing them to focus on the job at hand."



Retirement/Voluntary Separations or Discharge

Wow...how time flies when you are having fun! You can't believe it has been at least 20 plus years since you were in basic training and wondering "what in the world was I thinking!"

It is now time to say good-bye and transition into that new career you've been dreaming about. Remember you do not have to wait until drill weekend

to begin the separation/retirement process. You can start the process at home with online services. Go to virtual Personnel Center – Guard and Reserve (vPC-GR) to submit a voluntary separation discharge/resignation or retirement application. You can access vPC-GR from the AF Portal, www.my.af.mil, under the Top Portal Links section.

Electronic Military Personnel Records

If you are planning to go to the force support squadron on drill weekend and ask for copies of forms from your military personnel record – think again – because electronic records are now available and you can access them 24/7 from your home! Just use the

Personnel Record Display Application (PRDA) to view and/or print forms from your official military personnel record. You can access PRDA from the AF Portal, www.my.af.mil, under the Top Portal Links section.

153rd Logistics Readiness Squadron air transportation specialists train with active-duty units, gain unique skillset for deployments

by Tech. Sgt. Leisa Grant

153 AW public affairs specialist

(Contributions by Tech. Sgt. Barton Allen, 153 LRS)

When we fly, most of us are preoccupied with our itineraries, what kind of food might be served and whether or not we get an aisle or a window seat. Few think about what goes on behind the scenes to ensure flights are successful. There is an incredible amount of work that goes on behind the scenes to get passengers and cargo from point A to point B in a timely and comfortable fashion.

This is why 14 members of the 153rd Logistics Readiness Squadron Aerial Port trained at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., May 22-29. For two weeks, our wing's air transportation specialists trained right next to active-duty members to stay current on all facets of aerial port operations.

It is common for Air National Guard members to train with active-duty, said Master Sgt. Michael Urban, Air Terminal Operation Center duty officer.

"For the air transportation career field, we have to train with active duty any time we can. We do not have the capability to get the local training locally due to lack of

resource," said Urban.

Most Air National Guard units do not have the larger aircraft often used for mass transportation of troops, supplies and equipments. They also do not typically have the larger equipment used to handle



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Erik Gudmundson

cargo or the computer system used to process passengers and flight information.

The different areas of the training included fleet services, ATOC information control, load planning and specialized training for those who drive the 60K Tunner aircraft cargo loader, named after the late Lt. Gen. William H. Tunner, former commander of U.S. Air Forces in Europe.

Fleet services include proper cleaning of the aircraft, meals and comfort items such as, blankets and pillows.

ATOC information control are the primary controllers over passenger, cargo and airdrop missions. They are in charge of information pertaining to arrivals, departures, types of cargo, passenger manifests and communication of information to units.

Load planning ensures the proper weight and balance of the aircraft so that C-130s, C-5s, C-17s and other cargo aircraft can fly as safely as possible.

The 60K Tunner vehicle is only driven by a handful of people in each unit, as the training is very specialized and the skills needed to drive it safely are not easy to come by. Most people can become certified on a 10K forklift in one day. The 60K Tunner takes two weeks to obtain certification for its drivers.

"You just have to pay attention so you can learn as much as possible," said Senior Airman Kenneth Rupp, a 153 LRS air transportation journeyman and certified 60K Tunner driver.

The Tunner is comfortable to drive, "kind of like a Cadillac" with a better turning radius and better suspension than its predecessor, a 40K vehicle, said Rupp.

At 48 feet long and the ability to rise up to 18.5 feet in the air, this roughly \$2.7 million vehicle is capable of moving up to 30 tons of equipment in and out of a fully loaded aircraft in about three to four hours. Prior to the use of the Tunner, the same movement of cargo took about nine hours.

Many of the freshly trained members of the 153 LRS are heading over to support operations in Afghanistan later this year.

The 153 LRS Aerial Port will already be used to working with their active-duty counterparts as they are one of the only organizations in the National Guard that cannot train locally, and must train with active duty personnel.

"We train together and we fight together," said Urban.



(Courtesy photo)

Report Suspicious Activity

Content provided by 153 SFS

In response to the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, the United States has created specialized agencies to coordinate efforts to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and prosecute acts of terrorism.

From local and federal law enforcement officers, to bankers and school teachers. It emphasizes detection, prevention, and information-driven response to protect the citizens and critical infrastructure of Wyoming and the surrounding area.

Terrorism cannot be completely eliminated. However, through efficient use of resources, the likelihood and impact of terrorist actions can be reduced.

Prevention is everyone's responsibility. We are one neighborhood, one state, one nation; and it is the responsibility of all to remain vigilant and to report suspicious behavior. One call can make a difference.

Call 911 to report all suspicious incidents or unusual activity that may require immediate police response.

It only takes ONE CALL.

Q. What exactly is "suspicious" activity?

A. No one knows what goes on in your neighborhood better than you. You may see things or hear things that seem out of the ordinary and may indicate suspicious or illegal conduct. Law enforcement officials often rely on

the instincts and perceptions of citizens to detect activity that is out of the ordinary.

Q. What kind of activity should I look for?

A. You should immediately report people who photograph, videotape, sketch, ask detailed questions or seek blueprints for:

- Airports
- Water supplies
- Dams
- Bridges
- Major highway intersections
- Tunnels
- Power plants and substations
- Transmission towers
- Pipelines
- Tank farms
- Military installations
- Law enforcement agencies
- Defense contract sites
- Hospitals
- Health research facilities
- Internet
- Phone
- Cable
- Communications facilities and towers
- Capitol, court, and government buildings
- Historic structures and national landmarks

Q. Is it necessary for me to give my name and phone number to the authorities?

A. It is extremely beneficial to the case if we are able to contact you for follow-up information and details. You will also need to provide contact information, if you would like a response to your message.

Q. Will my identity be protected?

A. While your contact information may be shared among the appropriate law enforcement agencies as a contact; the 153 SFS will make every effort to keep your identity confidential.

SATURDAY

Wing family picnic
11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lions Park, south of
park across from ball
field -- park in Lot C

SUNDAY

Chicken pot pie
Lemon pepper fish

Steamed rice
Broccoli

Corn
Bistro rolls

Salad bar
Various deserts



153rd Airlift Wing Family Picnic and Predeployment Yellow Ribbon Information Fair



When: July 10, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Lions Park, south of park across the ball field, Park in Lot C

Food, fun and activities for the entire family. Take the opportunity to visit with numerous service providers regarding benefits and entitlements you have earned. A special drawing will be open to those who visit with all the providers.



Brig. Gen. Reed offers words of wisdom to CGOC

by 2nd Lt. Rusty Ridley

153 AW public affairs officer

Pizza, soda and dessert set the stage for Brig. Gen. Harold Reed to speak to members of the Company Grade Officer's Council last UTA about officer roles and responsibilities.



The general spoke to the CGOC about his experiences and provided insight into leadership and how young officers should start shaping their leadership styles, but still remain flexible.

"There is not any one key to leadership," he said. "You don't automatically flip a switch."

He spoke of a time early in his career when he made a decision that was wrong because of poor information. He addressed the group and told them it was a shared responsibility and

emphasized that the mission was a group effort.

"Realize people have different experiences and are motivated differently. Try to appeal to a person's personality type—communication is everything."

He emphasized to the group of junior officers that it is important to get involved, but also know your job and be proficient in your AFSC.

Reed also stressed finding places to test abilities and how you interact with

people. "Leadership is communication and interaction," he said. "It's not easy."

The general transitioned from active-duty to the Air National Guard when

pursuing a career in the airlines. He said, "Joining the guard was the smartest thing I ever did."


Reflecting on the change from one component to the other, he said, "Sometimes it's ok to challenge authority if you have well founded reasons."

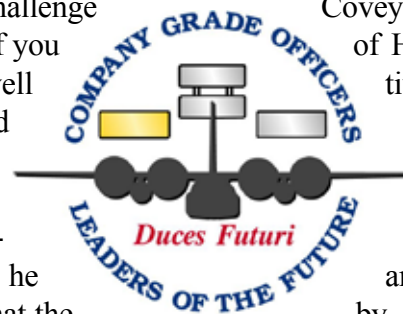
He cited an example where he was told that the law prohibited forward movement of troops; his response was: "Let's change the law." A change

work with is a mentor—good or bad—and you can learn from the mistakes of others to help shape how you will lead.

Reed discussed what he learned by reading Stephen Covey's "7 Habits of Highly Effective People" and through his experiences.

"People are motivated by having to do things or wanting to. Your job is making them want to. You have an awesome responsibility: take care of your people."

He concluded by placing importance on recognizing people and saying that awards are not always for the member, but for the family, unit, and employer. "We have people who believe in what they're doing," he said, "But even the best can get better." 



"There is not any one key to leadership."



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downtown Lander.

Rodgers said that if he had not had the timely assistance that was given, the water would have ruined his home and his business.

Tony Radman, who traveled from Utah to try and stave off the water from taking his mother's home, situated on the river, said the help the National Guard and community volunteers are providing is why many of the homes threatened by the water

are still standing.

"I can't tell you how helpful they have been," he said. "The volunteers, everyone, have been great."


Radman said he has never seen the water running through the river like this. "We're just burning through the snowmelt," he said. "It's truly amazing how fast it is melting."

But the help extends beyond the waterline. Many Guard members in the area are working side-by-side with civilians filling sandbags.

"The civilian volunteers were awesome, but also very thankful we were there," Tech Sgt. Michele Lyster, a member of the 153rd Security Forces Squadron, said. "They really have stepped up and worked hard to give a hand

to their community."

She said she has seen little kids, Boy Scouts, college students, and many other people from different walks of life out at the sandbag site volunteering.

While success against Mother Nature is never a guarantee, the teamwork taking place between the deployed Guard members and community of Fremont County certainly should give it a better chance. 



U.S. Air Force photos by Tech. Sgt. Leisa Grant



E-6 who is eligible for promotion within one year from the date of selection, and who possess the 1A271 AFSC. All application packages must include as a minimum a cover letter, resume, RIP. Questions concerning the vacancy need to be forwarded to Chief Master Sgt. Mike Sorensen, (307) 772-6278. Applications due **NLT COB 11 July.**

AIRCRAFT LOADMASTER - TRADITIONAL - 187 AS: Applications are now being accepted for a master sergeant position in the 187 AS. This master sergeant position is open to any enlisted member in the grade of E-7 or

All applications must be submitted to Master Sgt. Denise Hondel, 153 AW/FSS
217 Dell Range Blvd.,
Cheyenne, WY 82009-3320,
(307) 772-6457 by the closing date listed on the advertisement.

The Wyoming Military Department is an equal opportunity employer. Selection for all positions will be made without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, political affiliation or any other non-merit factor. This applies to ALL vacancies within the Wyoming Military Department.

COMMAND POST SUPERINTENDENT - TRADITIONAL - 153AW/CP: Maximum authorized grade is E-8. This position is open to traditional members who hold or can obtain the AFSC 1C391. Individuals must have a current secret clearance. Duties include managing and performing activities within command post (CP); provide command, control, communications, and information support, establish procedures for operational reports, readiness reports, AEF Reporting Tool (ART) and the Status of Resources and Training System (SORTS). Application packages must include (1) cover letter; (2) resume; (3) JPAS; (4) AFSC verification; (5) fitness score. Questions concerning the vacancy need to be forwarded to Master Sgt. Jamie Conrad, (307) 772-6416. Applications due **NLT COB 12 July.**

153RD COMMUNICATION FLIGHT, RF TRANSMISSIONS SYSTEM JOURNEYMAN: Duty AFSC: 3D153/formerly 2E153 - Ground Radio Communications Maintenance RF Transmission Systems personnel deploy, sustain, troubleshoot, and repair standard radio frequency wireless, line-of-sight, beyond line-of-sight, and encryption transmission devices and intrusion detection systems in a fixed and deployed environment. Included are multiple waveform systems operating across the spectrum, keying and signal devices; telemetry and instrumentation systems. Member is required to become a member of the WyANG, attend technical training to obtain AFSC, or be eligible to cross-train. Application packages must include, but are not limited to the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration; (2) current resume to include civilian and military education and experience; letter of recommendation (optional); (4) fitness test score; (5) RIP. Applications due **NLT COB 8 Aug.**

FIRST SERGEANT VACANCY 153 MSG – Applications are now being accepted for the First Sergeant position (AFSC 8F000) in the 153rd Mission Support Group. This Master Sergeant position is open to any enlisted member in the grade of E-7 or E-6 who is eligible for immediate promotion IAW ANGI 36-2502. Applicants must meet all requirements outlined in AFI 36-2113, chapter 10; meet AFVAB requirements prior to interview; score a minimum of 75 on the fitness assessment; and possess an overall image exceeding minimum standards. Mandatory service commitment is three years from the date of graduation from the First Sergeant Academy. Duty related questions may be directed to Senior Master Sgt. Alan Stoinski at (307) 772-6751. All application packages must include as a minimum a cover letter, resume, RIP and a current fitness assessment score. Applications due **NLT COB 11 July.**

Job announcements must be sent directly to FSS, not to the Public Affairs office.

The format must include, Position Title, Grade, Officer/Enlisted (both), other special qualifications.

The requested announcement may be sent to Master Sgt. Hondel, Tech. Sgt. Lopez, or Maj. Bennett for submission.

The submission must be received in advance of the deadline required by Public Affairs each month to allow time for review and accuracy before publishing.

Questions on posting job announcements may be directed to Maj. Rachel Bennett, (307) 772-6320.

153 CIVIL ENGINEER STAFF OFFICER: The commander, 153rd Civil Engineer Squadron, is accepting applications for the position of Civil Engineer Staff Officer, AFSC 32E3G. This is a traditional officer position with a maximum grade of O-4. After selection member must possess or be eligible for assignment to Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC) 32E3X. This position is open to all officers, or those eligible for commissioning and eligible to join the WyANG. Applicants must meet one of the following: (A) completion of a 4-year professional engineering curriculum leading to a bachelor's or higher degree in engineering in an accredited college or university; (B) Must have graduated from a service academy with a major in engineering; (C) currently possesses AFSC 32E3X. Application packages must include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration; (2) current resume to include civilian and military education, and work experience. Nominating/selecting official is Lt. Col. Roy W. Hockenberry, 153 CES. Applications due **NLT COB 12 Sept.**

We Salute



Promotions

Chief Master Sgt. Wayne Welsh
Master Sgt. Douglas Hiatt
Master Sgt. Jesse Johnson
Tech. Sgt. Joseph Freeman

Tech. Sgt. Robert Padget
Staff Sgt. Justin Trolinder
Senior Airman George Spettigue

Newcomers

Matthew Edwards, JFHQ
Autumn Ewaliko, 153 FSS
Kyle Gilbert, 153 CES
Alan Huntley, 153 CACS
Lauren Jimenez, 153 MXS

Travis Penfold, 153 MXS
John Phegley, 153 CACS
Kymber Santos, 153 MXS
Hector Vazquez, 153 AMS

Re-enlistments

Chief Master Sgt. Jan Arnold
Chief Master Sgt. James Branom
Chief Master Sgt. Mark Trujillo
Senior Master Sgt. William Whipple
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