

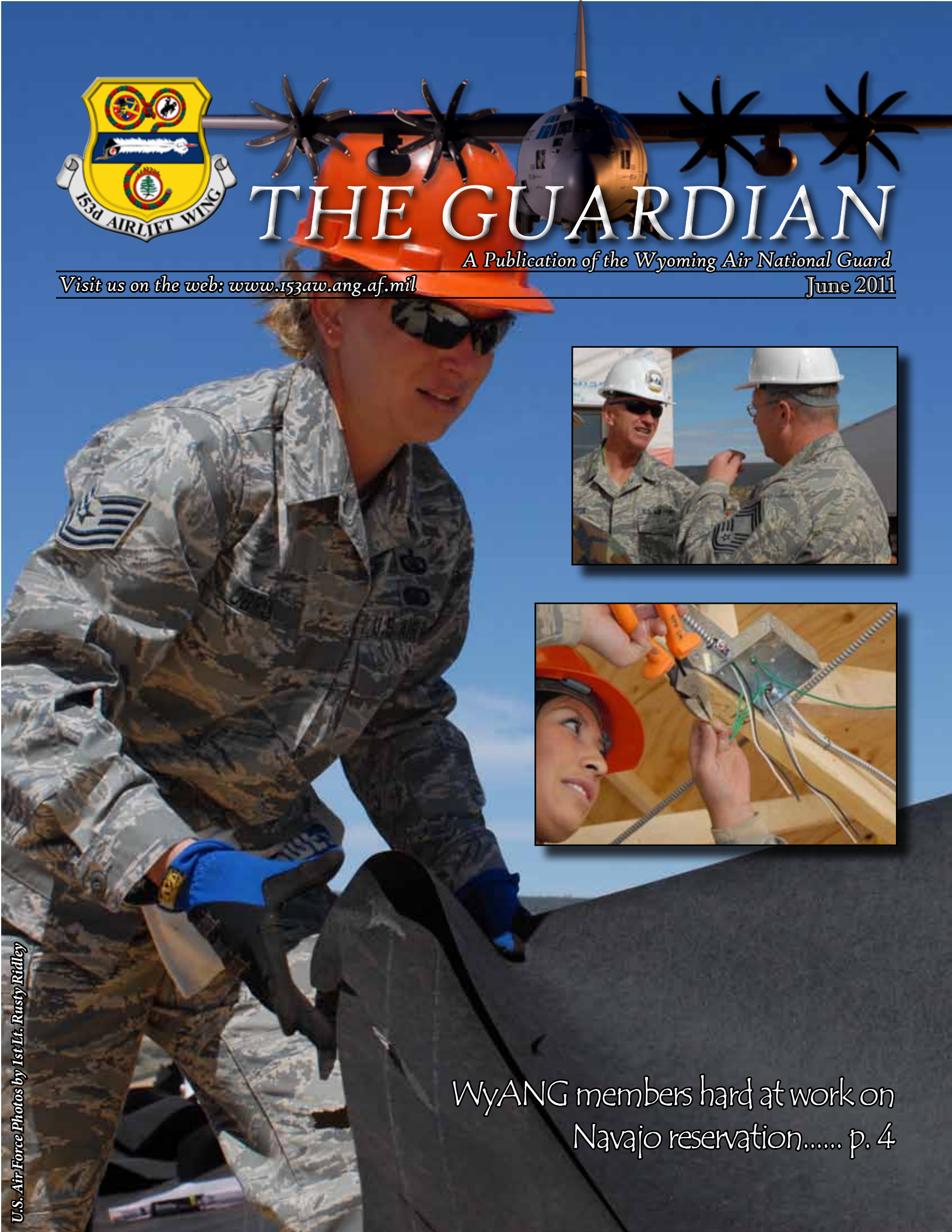


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Staff Sgt. Crystal O'Brien prepares materials for the roof of the new adult treatment center on the SMAE campus. Senior Master Sgt. Leroy Rusk has a conversation with Chief Master Sgt. Les Watkins, IRT project manager and Senior Airman Alyssa Penaflor makes a few cuts to some wires inside the building.



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*Celebrating the Past...  
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## **Wyoming Air National Guard**

**65th Anniversary**  
August 4th ~ 6th



***Thursday, August 4***

F.E. Warren Air Force Base - Golf Tournament  
12 p.m. - Registration  
1 p.m. - Shotgun Start

***Friday, August 5***

Wyoming Air National Guard Base  
8 - 11 a.m. - Base Tour

Wyoming Air National Guard Base  
5 p.m. - No Host Reception - Social Club  
6:30 p.m. - Milk Can Dinner

***Saturday, August 6***

Wyoming Air National Guard Base  
9 a.m. - Informal Tour of Work Centers



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# WYANG MEMBERS WORK ON RESERVATION

by 1st Lt. Rusty Ridley

153rd Airlift Wing public affairs officer

Members of the 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron continue construction affiliated with St. Michaels Association for Special Education (SMASE) on the Navajo Nation, in Arizona.

SMASE is included in the National Guard's Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) program, a civil-military affairs program linking military units with civilian communities for humanitarian projects.

This year, the focus has been a new adult treatment center.

“We really needed a

lot of space,” said Elaine Long, training coordinator for the campus and director of adult treatment. “With all the different rooms, we can zero in on assessing skills.”

The school has been serving the needs of children and adults with moderate to severe disabilities for more than 40 years regardless of tribal affiliation and state of residency. The children, a majority of them Navajo, come from all over the Navajo Reservation, the largest in America. St. Michael’s is school and home for more than 80 children and young



U.S. Air Force Photo by 1st Lt. Rusty Ridley

U.S. Air Force Capt. Gabriel Herrera, 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron, Wyoming Air National Guard, performs a walk through of the new adult treatment center with Elaine Long, training coordinator and director of adult treatment at St. Michaels.

adults.

Because of limited space, SMASE has had to turn people away. “The new building means we are able to accept more clients,” Long said. “It will mean everything to the clients and their families.” Families and clients been watching the progress with anticipation. “They keep asking,” said Long. “I can envision the activities we will have. I’m excited.”

From inside the nurse’s station, constructed last year as part of the project, Pat Smith, director of nursing, reflected on her time at St. Michaels. “It just felt like I was being called to work on the reservation.” A native of New Jersey, Smith said, “I promised them two years; I have been here

eleven. They’re really special kids.”

Senior Master Sgt. Leroy Rusk, structures superintendent for the 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron is the program manager superintendent for the project.

“It’s a great project,” Rusk said. “The Navajo Nation provides the materials and the military provides the labor, tools, and heavy equipment. It’s a win-win situation for both parties.”

Communication equipment was donated from the 153rd Communications Squadron. “SMASE has been very grateful for the extra materials,” Rusk said.

The ongoing project has seen several contrib-



U.S. Air Force Photo by 1st Lt. Rusty Ridley

U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Leroy Rusk and Capt. Micahel Pachel, 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron, Wyoming Air National Guard, speak with a Navy Seabee at the St. Michaels Association for Special Education project site on the Navajo reservation.

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*U.S. Air Force Photo by 1st Lt. Rusty Ridley*

Members of the 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron are joined by other units in front of the Code Talkers memorial at Window Rock on the Navajo reservation in Arizona.

utors from Guam, Utah, and Florida Air National Guard units and Seabees from Ft. McCoy, Wis.

“They’ve done a great job,” said Rusk. “It’s good for the Air National Guard because, in the civil engineering world,

this is the one time during the year where the teams are brought in to practice and train additionally in their skills: surveying, engineering, plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and communication. The project

has the whole facet from bringing a project from ground level, up to a finished project.”

In addition to honing skills, it’s about community.

“It’s great to be part of something to help peo-

ple,” said Master Sgt. Chad Holmes, pavement and equipment journeyman of the 153rd Civil Engineering Squadron.

“This has been so wonderful,” said Long. “For some, this is their home; they deserve this.”

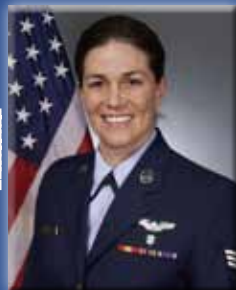






# Outstanding Airmen of the Second Quarter 2011

Airman



Senior Airman Heidi Valdez, 153 MDG

Staff Sgt. Carly York, JFHQ

NCO



Senior NCO



Master Sgt. Paul Mann, 153 AW

1st Lt. Rusty Ridley, 153 AW

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## 187th Airlift Squadron named distinguished flying unit

*Wyo. Military Department*


**T**he Wyoming Air National Guard's 187th Airlift Squadron has won a prestigious national award for meeting the highest standards of mission accomplishment in 2010.

For its accomplishment, the unit will be presented the prestigious Metcalf Trophy, in August, at the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) convention in Milwaukee, Wis. The unit will also receive the NGAUS Distinguished Flying Unit Plaque.

The Curtis N. "Rusty" Metcalf Trophy, bestowed annually by the National Guard Bureau, recognizes the airlift or air refueling unit that demonstrates the highest standards of mission accomplishment.

"It's been a long year of inspections, exercises and deployments to the farthest reaches of the globe," Col. Dennis Grunstad, 153rd Airlift Wing commander said. "In every instance, and with every tasking, the unit has performed with professionalism, dedication, perseverance and a great attitude that has reflected well on the Wyoming Air National Guard," he said. "Receiving the Rusty Metcalf Trophy formalizes the fact that we are the top airlift wing in the nation, and that makes our Airmen a champion in my book. They earned this award, and they deserve it."

To be considered for this award, units are evaluated in the areas of exercises and deployments, human resources, accident rate history, accident prevention and significant accomplishments during the award period.

The award is named for a former deputy chief for plans and operations at the National Guard Bureau, in Washington, D.C. 



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

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- Many Aircraft from our  
Military Inventory



Cheyenne Municipal Airport, Air National Guard Base

# July 27

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**Park at Frontier Mall and take the FREE shuttle bus**  
**which will run continuously between 8:30 - 4:00**  
**Only handicap parking allowed on base**



# Guard and Reserve aerial firefighting resources conduct annual training in Idaho

*Wyo. Military Department*

The Wyoming Air National Guard's 153rd Airlift Wing in Cheyenne, Wyo., in participation with the National Interagency Fire Center, conducted annual Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System training in Boise, Idaho, May 1-7.

The Wyoming Air National Guard recently sent 13 personnel and one aircraft to Texas in support of the Texas wildfires. They deployed to Dyess Air Force Base, in Abilene, Texas, from April 18-26, using the second generation of the U.S. Forest Service's Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System or MAFFS 2.

The crew dropped 12,000 gallons on the Possum Kingdom Fire; 9,000 gallons on the Wildcat Fire; and 6,000 gallons on the Cole Fire. The crew consisted of Maj. Jeremy



*U.S. Air Force photo by Capt. Corinna Jones*

Maj. Gen. Wallace W. "Wade" Farris Jr., director, Air, Space and Information Operations, Air Force Reserve Command, speaks with Lt. Col. Donald Taylor and Chief Master Sgt. Roger Woolington aboard a C-130 while training with the Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System in Boise, Idaho, May 1-7.



*U.S. Air Force photo by Capt. Corinna Jones*

Gowen Field, Idaho -- U.S. Forest Service, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and 302d Air Expeditionary Group personnel load the 3,000 gallon Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System tank in preparation for an air drop on a simulated fire. Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members are currently undergoing their annual currency and re-currency certification required by the U.S. Forest Service prior to this year's fire season.

Schaad, Maj. Rickey Rau, Maj. T.J. Gagnon, Senior Master Sgt. Ted Anthony, Senior Master Sgt. Doug Peterson, and Master Sgt. Mike Novick. The crew had completed advanced training in Colorado last month.

Those crews and the other 153rd Airlift Wing personnel will receive their annual certification in Boise. Military pilots flying C-130 airplanes will conduct up to 80 practice flights per day, dropping water on target sites on national forest land in Idaho.

Military personnel involved with this training include the 153rd Airlift Wing of the Wyoming Air National Guard in Cheyenne, Wyo; the 145th Airlift Wing of the North

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# 30th Airlift Squadron change of command

Wyo. Military Department

**L**t. Col. Rodney Simpson assumed command of the 30th Airlift Squadron in a ceremony May 13, at the Wyoming Air National Guard base.

The 30th Airlift Squadron is the Air Force's first-ever active duty combat airlift associate unit, integrating all operations, maintenance and support functions with the Wyoming Air National Guard's 153rd Airlift Wing. As the 30th Airlift Squadron commander, Simpson




will serve as the commander in charge of a 200-person squadron tasked with providing worldwide C-130 combat aerial delivery, maintenance and support.

Simpson takes command from Lt. Col. Eric Mayheu. Mayheu will be headed for Scott Air Force Base to be the deputy chief of standardization and evaluation.

"I am very honored and humbled to be taking command of the 30th Airlift Squadron. I look forward to keeping up the great relation-

ships we have with the Wyoming Military Department and the 153rd Airlift Wing. I hope my command climate

will be a positive influence on both the Air Force and the Air National Guard," said Simpson.

Simpson previously served as the director of operations of the 30th Airlift Squadron. He has served in the Air Force for 18 years in various positions at the squadron, group, wing, and headquarters Air Force level. 



## *Cheyenne Trophy awarded to Det. 53 and 153rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron*

Wyo. Military Department

**T**he Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce presented the Cheyenne Trophy to the Wyoming Army National Guard's Detachment 53 and the Wyoming Air National Guard's 153rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron during the May chamber luncheon, held at the Wyoming Air National Guard base.

The Cheyenne Trophy is a long-standing award presented to outstanding military units or personnel by the Greater Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce.

Det. 53 was established in 1995 and over the last 15 years, Det. 53 has supported a wide variety of missions to include support of the Wounded Warrior Transport Program, movement of sensitive mate-

rial, transportation of heavy cargo, courier missions and passenger transportation to special events, which has saved the state of Wyoming hundreds of thousands of dollars each year. Det. 53 was deployed from December 2009 to December 2010. Its mission during the deployment was to observe, detect, identify, and neutralize enemy threats under Task Force ODIN to help defeat IEDs, and increase the survivability of U.S. Army units.

"I am proud of the men and women of Det. 53. Our mission is a very diverse one that requires a lot of support and training alongside of our fellow Wyoming Guard Units," said Chief Warrant Officer Randy Sindelir, Det. 53 commander. "We

appreciate the recognition that we have received from the Cheyenne Community."

Some of the accomplishments the maintenance squadron did to earn this award include maintaining a constant world presence deploying more than 155 members in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Joint Enterprise; successful prosecution of the Global War on Terrorism by deploying 125 members for 1,056 days; and providing airlift support by flying more than 1,860 sorties, carrying more than 22,000 passengers and more than 6,000 tons of cargo. 153 AMS members donated countless hours of

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# Randall K. Wilkison selected for AFA Chief Master Sergeant Dick Red Award

Wyo. Military Department

Chief Master Sgt. Randall K. Wilkison, of Laramie, Wyo., a member of the Wyoming Air National Guard's 153rd Maintenance Group, was selected for the AFA Chief Master Sergeant Dick Red Award.

Chief Master Sgt. Dick Red was the first enlisted airman to win the Legion of Merit in 1944, for building a camera mount in the nose section of a P-38 Lightning fighter, and the award honors his memory.

The winner is selected from among the Air National Guard's 88 wings and named the top aircraft maintainer, said Chief Master Sgt. Doug Hensala, state command chief of the Wyoming Air National Guard.

Wilkison, chief of quality assurance has a ready smile and appears almost self-conscious about being spotlighted for winning a national award. Even being submitted for the award seems a little much for this chief. "Don't even do that, I'm just doing my job," he said when he was informed he was being submitted.

Every year the AFA honors the outstanding achievements of men and women throughout the U.S.

Air Force, government, academia and aerospace industry at its annual air and space conference in Washington and this year Wilkison will be among those honored.

Wilkison will travel to D.C. in September where the Director of the National Guard Bureau and the Director of the Air Force Association will present him with this prestigious award.

Wilkison was nominated by his superiors including Col. James Moffett, commander, 153rd Maintenance Group. "It was an easy choice to select Chief Wilkison for submission. He is highly respected throughout the C-130 community and is always at the forefront of issues that affect aircraft

maintenance," Moffett said.

"It's an honor to be submitted by your peers," Wilkison said, "much less to win."

The Dick Red award is the first national award Wilkison has received and he said he feels honored by the 'stamp of approval'.

"Wilkison is definitely a go to person, not only locally, but throughout the entire Air National Guard," said Moffett. "National recognition is proof of Chief Wilkison's dedication to his job as a maintainer and

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the community he serves.

Even with a national award under his belt, Wilkison stays humble and continues to give credit to the outstanding airmen who work with him. "You can't be a great leader without great people," he said.

Some of the notable contributions Wilkison has made are:

- Provides dynamic leadership, direction to 326 active duty/Air National Guard maintenance personnel in the first ever C-130 Total Force unit.

- Directs the scheduling and execution of maintenance flow plans, generation and recovery of 12 C-130H3 aircraft, valued at \$443 million.

- Advanced 153rd Maintenance Group's first flight line tool room and provided manpower and guidance decreasing check in and check-out time by 67 percent.

- Led aircraft generation for, saving \$2.5 billion of property. 🇺🇸

*\*Staff Sgt. Natalie Stanley contributed to this article*



# RESOURCE LIST

## ***Airman & Family Readiness:***

Mrs. Denise Rampolla 307-772-6063 and  
24/7 cell 307-214-2625

## ***Director of Psychological Health (DPH):***

Ms. Trish Bannon 307-772-6185  
cell 307-287-2880  
Email: trish.bannon@ang.af.mil

## ***Chaplain:***

Chaplain Matthew Nansel  
cell 720-339-8966

## ***National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:***

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

A free, 24-hour hotline available to anyone in suicidal  
crisis or emotional distress.

Your call will be routed to the nearest  
crisis center to you.

## ***Military HOMEFRONT:***

The official Department of Defense web site for reliable  
Quality of Life information designed to help troops and  
their families, leaders and service providers.  
[www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil/](http://www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil/)

## ***Wingman Project:***

Provides training, awareness, and outreach to teach war  
fighters and their families how to identify symptoms of  
impending suicide and then how to intervene  
to save a life.

[www.wingmanproject.org](http://www.wingmanproject.org)

## ***Real Warriors Campaign:***

An initiative launched by the Defense Centers of  
Excellence for Psychological Health and TBI to promote  
the processes of building resilience, facilitating recovery,  
and supporting reintegration of returning service members,  
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## ***Military OneSource Counseling:***

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## ***DoD Safe Helpline***

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## **Jamie R. Lee selected for 2010 Command Post SNCO of the Year**


*Wyo. Military Department*

**M**aster Sgt. Jamie R. Lee, of O'Fallon, Ill.,  
a member of the Wyoming Air National  
Guard's 153rd Airlift Wing, was named the  
2010 Command Post Senior Noncommissioned Offi-  
cer of the Year.

This award identifies and recognizes the outstand-  
ing enlisted members for exceptional achievement in  
the command post community. This award showcases  
the true spirit, dedication and professionalism within  
career enlisted members.

Some of the notable contributions Lee has made are:


- Unprecedented Unit Compliance Inspection suc-  
cess; first Air Mobility Command overall outstanding  
Command Post SORTS in over two years; unrivaled  
zero write-ups.
- Generated impeccable daily, weekly, and monthly  
checklists; provided management constant continuity  
and cohesion.
- Developed innovative procedures to ensure all  
SORTS data was accurate and timely using locally  
developed checklist.
- Developed and maintained meticulous operating  
instructions; provided immediate response.

As the recipient of this award, Lee will next com-  
pete at the Air Force level. 



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time to Cheyenne's local community and charitable or-  
ganizations by collecting food, maintaining a highway,  
delivering meals, distributing clothes and constructing  
a veterans' housing complex.

"I could not be prouder of the men and women of the  
Maintenance Group. They have been running full speed  
since September 2001 and the consistency in which  
they produce safe, reliable, mission ready aircraft is re-  
markable," Col. Pat Moffett, 153rd Maintenance Group  
commander said. "They are true professionals." 



## Heather Mayheu selected as the 2010 ANG Key Spouse

Wyo. Military Department

**H**eather Mayheu, the wife of Lt. Col. Eric Mayheu, 30th Airlift Squadron, was selected as the 2010 Air National Guard Key Spouse.

She will be recognized at the 2011 Caring for People Forum to be held July 18-21, in Arlington, Va. Each major command selected an overall Key Spouse to be recognized, with Mayheu representing the Air National Guard.

The Wyoming Air National Guard is the first Air National Guard Wing to stand up a Key Spouse Program making it a true "Total Force" that successfully engages and educates both Air National Guard and active duty Air Force spouses forming a solid support network, said Denise Rampolla, Wyoming Air National Guard's Airmen and Family Readiness Programs manager.

Mayheu received the award based on her support of the continued mission success of the Air Force's first active duty associate squadron's Total Force Key Spouse program. A small portion of her accomplishments are listed as follows:

- Pioneered the Total Force Spouse Continuity Binder for Active Associate spouses which outlines and highlights the many unique features and challenges of being part of an active duty, Air National Guard family



U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Paul Mann

Heather Mayheu receives her award from Brig. Gen. Harold Reed and Denise Rampolla, 153rd airmen and family readiness program manager, at the 30th Airlift Squadron change of command ceremony.


*“Her dedication, attention to detail and sincere approach to making a difference within our community has been exceptional.”*

support network.

- Organized the 30th Airlift Squadron spouse group and mentored and supported more than 110 families through constant deployments.

- Supported 25 families per deployment with meals, updates, meetings and assistance, created deployment packages, spearheaded the first 30 AS deployment briefing for spouses/families, and developed a new spouse orientation program.

"I am delighted that Mrs. Mayheu was selected for this honor," said Rampolla. "It has been a true pleasure to work with her. Her dedication,

attention to detail and sincere approach to making a difference within our community has been exceptional." 

**2011 Wing  
Family Picnic**

Saturday, July 9th  
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Burgers, Brauts, Game for the kids

**Lions Park**

South of park, across from the ball field  
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Carolina Air National Guard in Charlotte, N.C.; the 146th Airlift Wing of the California Air National Guard in Port Hueneme, Calif.; and the 302nd Airlift Wing with the U.S. Air Force Reserve of Colorado Springs, Colo.

The military C-130s equipped with slide-in MAFFS units can drop

up to 3,000 gallons of retardant per run on wildfires. The four MAFFS-designated military units must perform refresher training each spring before the start to wild-land fire season.

MAFFS is a partnership between federal land management agencies and the military to provide supplemental air tankers to assist in fire suppression efforts nationwide dur-

ing times of high fire activity. There are two units assigned to each of the four military wings, with a total of eight aircraft available for supporting civilian agencies if necessary.

Congress established the authority for the MAFFS program in the early 1970s to support wild-land firefighting through an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service. The military aircraft are requested by the National Interagency Fire Center and activated through the U.S. Northern Command, based on an agreement with the Department of Defense. The most recent MAFFS mission was mobilized this month to Texas. 



### **“Career Days” Symposium by Chief Master Sgt. Jim Branom**

*State human resources advisor*

The “Career Days” symposium was held on May 15, at Laramie County Community College (LCCC) and targeted members in the grades of Airman 1st Class through Tech. Sgt. The goal of the symposium is to assist our Airmen to be the future leaders of tomorrow by providing education and training opportunities. The symposium met its targeted expectations of attendance with 107 Airmen attending, which is roughly 10% of the total Wyoming Air National Guard enlisted grades between Airman 1st Class and Tech. Sgt. These Airmen received valuable education in some or all of the following four classes offered:

- Nutrition & Fitness by Tina Hayes-Siltzer, R.D.

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- Career Benefits & Education by Master Sgt. Schwartz/Tech. Sgt. Robison

- Culture of Trust by Staff Sgt. Edwards/Master Sgt. Foster (2 hour class)

- Career/Professional Development by Chief Master Sgt. Wells/Master Sgt. Jones.

A questionnaire was given to each Airman with the intent to capture the overall assessment of our speakers and of the symposium in general. A sample of some the responses are listed below:


- Overall, how satisfied were you with all the speakers? 56% responded-Very Satisfied

- Did the speakers have an understanding of their topics? 79% responded-Strongly Agree

- Did the symposium fulfill your reason for attending and was it well organized? 81% responded-Yes

- Do you plan on attending the Fall symposium in November? 40% responded-Yes, 46% responded-Maybe

- Reasons for attending conference - 63% responded-Personal Growth and Development

The Enlisted Force Development Council would like to thank each and every one of our commanders for your cooperation and support in making the "Career Days" symposium a success. We look forward to this continued partnership as we move forward with future symposiums and other opportunities for our Airmen. 

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.



**PILOT VACANCY, 187 AS:** Applications are being accepted for undergraduate pilot training (UPT), AFSC 11M2B. This position is located in the 187th Airlift Squadron. Interviews will be held **19 July**. Applicants must be able to enter training prior to age 30 and be no older than age 27 at the time of interview. Applicants must qualify on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOQT), meet medical requirements in AFI48-123, possess a bachelor's degree or have at least 90 semester hours with a minimum 2.3 GPA, and meet security clearance requirements. This position is open to all applicants that meet the above minimum requirements. Pre-screening may occur based on the number of applicants. Application packages must include: (1) cover letter requesting consideration, (2) AF Form 24 (enlisted and civilian applicants only), (3) resume to include civilian and military education and experience, (4) official college transcripts (enlisted and civilian applicants only), (5) two letters of supervisory references, (6) AFOQT scores, TBAS score, and PCSMS score if available, and (7) any civilian flying paperwork. For AFOQT testing info contact Senior Master Sgt. Leslie Raney at 307-772-6325 or leslie.raney@ang.af.mil. For application procedures contact Master Sgt. Hondel, 153 FSS, 307-772-6457 or by email denise.hondel@ang.af.mil. Send application packages to Master Sgt. Denise Hondel, 153AW/FSS, 217 Dell Range Blvd. Cheyenne, WY 82009-4799. POC for interviews is Maj. Alan Brown, 307-772-6014 or alan.brown@ang.af.mil. Applications must be received **NLT COB 10 July**.

**RF TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS CRAFTSMAN, 153 CACS:** Applications are now being accepted for a Master Sgt. position, 153 CACS. This E-7 position is open to any enlisted member who is immediately promotable to E-7, and possesses a 3D1XX AFSC or is eligible to crosstrain. Applications must include, but are not limited to the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration, (2) resume to include civilian/military experience, education, and training, (3) current RIP, and (4) current fit test results. Questions regarding the vacancy can be forwarded to Senior Master Sgt. Scott Hasert at 307-773-6709. Applications due **NLT COB 10 July**.

**QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER, 153 CF:** Applications are now being accepted for Quality Assurance Manager in the 153rd Communications Flight. This position is open to an E-4 to E-6 who possesses a 5 skill level. The primary purpose of this position is to serve as a consultant to management in support of installation IT and communications policy and plans to include the unit's ability to provide command, control, communication, computer, and intelligence (C4I) programs essential to the operations, training, and readiness missions. Analyzes organizational processes and procedures through assessment of management, operational, technical and administrative practices pertinent to the organization. Identifies process, system, and training deficiencies by applying defect prevention principles and root cause problem resolution techniques and recommends corrective action for each. Serves as an advisor to the commander and senior staff members regarding compliance, readiness posturing, and mission limiting issues. Interprets a variety of technical requirements making independent judgments to determine organizational compliance with applicable instructions, procedures and practices. Advises supervisors and managers on the evaluation of programs, policies, regulatory requirements, and procedures.

Also performs duties as the unit training manager, and in this capacity assists the work center supervisor in developing and implementing work center training programs. Plans and schedules ancillary training activities for drill status guard members. Creates and develops lesson plans. Ensures availability of facilities and training aids. Monitors the training status of personnel and prepares monthly status of training reports for the commander and the base education and training manager (BETM). Responsible for documentation of accomplished training in a timely manner. Will require the use of automated training documentation systems. Applications must include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration, (2) resume to include civilian/military experience, education, and training, (3) current RIP, and (4) current fit test results. Applications due **NLT COB 5 June**.

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## Jobs continued...

### **OFFICER VACANCY – NATIONWIDE FAMILY PRACTICE PHYSICIAN, 153 MDG:**

Applications are being accepted for the position of Family Practice Physician (44F3), position #00981701L. This is a traditional officer position and maximum authorized grade is O-5. This position is open to all officers O-3 and above who are able to meet the following minimum requirements: Applicants must possess a doctor of medicine or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an approved school of medicine or osteopathy, acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF, is mandatory, and completion of a residency in family practice acceptable to the Surgeon General HQ USAF, or board certification by either the American Board of Family Practice or the Advisory Board of Osteopathic Specialties is mandatory. 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, and (3) letters of recommendation (optional). Nominating/selecting official: Col. Stanley D. Bruntz, 153 MDG/CC. **Open until filled.**

### **OFFICER VACANCY-NATIONWIDE GENERAL MEDICAL OFFICER (GMO) FLIGHT SURGEON, 153 MDG:**

Applications are being accepted for the position of General Medical Officer (GMO) Flight Surgeon (48R3), position #009660821L. This is a traditional officer position and maximum authorized grade is O-5. This position is open to all officers O-3 and above who are able to meet the following minimum requirements: Applicants must possess a doctor of medicine degree or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an approved school of medicine or osteopathy, and complete one year of graduate medical education in a clinical specialty at a hospital acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF. Completion of a primary course in aerospace medicine is mandatory. 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, and (3) letters of recommendation (optional). Nominating/selecting officials: Col. Stanley D. Bruntz, 153 MDG/CC and Col. Jerry Champlin 153 OG/CC. **Open until filled.**

### **PERSONNEL JOURNEYMAN, 153 FSS:**

The 153 FSS is currently accepting applications for two Military Personnel Specialists, with a maximum grade of E-6. This traditional position is located in the customer support element within FSS and is open to any enlisted member in the WyANG. Member must either hold or agree to retrain to AFSC 3S0X1. Applications must include, but are not limited to the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration, (2) resume to include civilian/military experience, education, and training, and (3) current fit test results. The selecting official is Chief Master Sgt. Milissa Fowler. Applications due **NLT COB 10 July.**

### **FIRST SERGEANT, 153 AMXS:**

Applications are now being accepted for the First Sergeant position (AFSC 8F000) in the 153rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. This 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. Applicants must include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration; (2) resume to include civilian/military experience, education, and training; (3) current RIP and (4) current Fit test results. Duty related questions may be directed to Capt. Carl Johansen at 307-772-6741 or Master Sgt. Sarah Fry at 307-772-6042. Applications due **NLT COB 10 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.**

### **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY & TREATMENT OFFICER, 153 AW:**

Applications are now being accepted for an Equal Opportunity Officer position (AFSC 38FX - Force Support Officer) in the 153rd Airlift Wing. This traditional position is open to current WyNG enlisted personnel eligible for commissioning into the WyANG or current officers in the grades of O-1 to O-3. The individual selected will serve as the Wing Commander's staff officer for EO training. Program responsibilities include: assessing and advising commanders at all levels on human relations and diversity; provide counseling, education, and complaint processing; oversee the 153 AW drug testing program; provide yearly training for all 153 AW personnel in Human Relations and Prevention of Sexual Harassment, and EO training for newcomers and new commander; preparing yearly EO and Affirmative Action reports; and providing climate assessments for all 153 AW units. Complete information can be found in ANGI 36-7. The selectee must complete and successfully pass the Air Force Officer Qualification Test (AFOQT) prior to applying. The selectee must attend the 6-week Academy of Military Science (AMS) course at Maxwell AFB for commissioning into the ANG, the 10-week Force Support Officer course at Keesler AFB, the 5-week Equal Opportunity Advisor Reserve Component Program course at Patrick AFB, and an 8 to 40-hour Drug Testing Program Administrative Manager (DTPAM) course administered locally. All applications 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, (3) letters of recommendation (optional), (4) fitness test (PT) score, (5) RIP for those seeking a commission, (6) AFOQT scores, and (7) a certified copy of college transcripts showing BA or BS degree. Duty related questions may be directed to Lt. Col. Jeff Carroll at (307) 772-6182 or 631-1471. The selecting official is Col. Dennis Grunstad. Applications due **NLT COB 12 July**, with the selection board to be held Aug. UTA.

### **UPCOMING UTAs**

**9-10 July**  
**6-7 August**

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**OFFICER VACANCY-NATIONWIDE RESIDENCY TRAINED FLIGHT SURGEON, 153 MDG:**

Applications are being accepted for the position of Residency Trained Flight Surgeon (48R3), position #009812621L. This is a traditional officer position and maximum authorized grade is O-5. This position is open to all officers O-3 and above who are able to meet the following minimum requirements: Applicants must possess a doctor of medicine degree or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an approved school of medicine or osteopathy, and complete one year of graduate medical education in a clinical specialty at a hospital acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF. A minimum of 12 months of experience as a flight surgeon or completion of a primary course in aerospace medicine is mandatory. 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, and (3) letters of recommendation (optional). Nominating/selecting official: Col. Stanley D. Bruntz, 153 MDG/CC. **Open until filled.**

**KNOWLEDGE OPERATIONS MANAGER, WY JFHQ:**

Applications are now being accepted for the position of Knowledge Operations Manager for Joint Force Headquarters Wyoming. Performs data management, information management functions, manages knowledge services. Manages, supervises, and performs planning and implementation activities. Applications must include, but are not limited to the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration, (2) resume to include civilian/military experience, education, and training, (3) current RIP, and (4) current fit test results. Applications due **NLT COB 12 June.**

**KNOWLEDGE OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT AND PERSONNEL SPECIALIST, 187 AS:**

Applications are now being accepted for the position of Knowledge Operations Manager and Personnel Specialist. This is a traditional position and has a maximum authorized grade of E-6 and is open to traditional members who hold or can obtain the AFSC 3D0X1 or 3S0X1. Duties include: awards and decorations program, files plan management, personnel processing, client systems administrator, orders processing, and other duties as assigned. For questions concerning this position, contact Senior Master Sgt. Exie Brown at 307-772-6879. **Open until filled.**

**OFFICER VACANCY-NATIONWIDE INTERNIST, 153 MDG:**

Applications are being accepted for the position of Internist (44M3), position #009812731L. This is a traditional officer position and maximum authorized grade is O-5. This position is open to all officers O-3 and above who are able to meet the following minimum requirement: Applicants must possess a doctor of medicine degree or a doctor of osteopathy degree from an approved school of medicine or osteopathy, and completion of a residency or fellowship in internal medicine acceptable to the Surgeon General, HQ USAF. 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, and (3) letters of recommendation (optional). Nominating/selecting official: Col. Stanley D. Bruntz, 153 MDG/CC. **Open until filled.**



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.

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**OFFICER VACANCY-NATIONWIDE CRITICAL CARE NURSE, 153 MDG:**

Applications are being accepted for the position of Critical Care Nurse (46N3E), position #00981741L. This is a traditional officer position maximum authorized grade O-4. This position is open to all officers, who are able to meet the following minimum requirements: Applicants must meet the entry level education requirements as defined in AFI 36-2005, para 6.3.1.2. is mandatory. Completion of a training program or fellowship in a respective clinical specialty and a minimum of six months in the respective clinical specialty and completion of Readiness Skills Verification Program requirements as defined in AFI 41-106 is mandatory, civilian clinical nursing experience, time spent in the Air Force Nurse Transition Program or the applicable specialty training/fellowship program is creditable. 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, and (3) letters of recommendation (optional). Nominating/selecting official: Col. Stanley D. Bruntz, 153 MDG/CC. **Open until filled.**

**COMMAND POST CRAFTSMAN, 153 AW/CP:**

Applications are now being accepted for a traditional command post craftsman. Maximum authorized grade is E-7. This position is open to traditional members who hold or can obtain the AFSC 1C371. Individuals must have a current Top Secret Clearance or obtain a favorable TS review within six months of selection. Duties include processing Emergency Actions Messages, preparing and submitting operational reports and transmitting flight deviation/departure and arrival information in GDSS. Applications must include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) cover letter requesting consideration, (2) resume to include civilian/military experience, education, and training, (3) current RIP, and (4) current Fit test results. Nominating official is Col. Steve Rader. Applications due **NLT COB 10 July.**



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 Senior Master Sgt. Gary Foster  
 Senior Master Sgt. Neil Priest

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 1st Lt. Eddie O'Connell  
 1st Lt. Jody Smith  
 Maj. Robin Duncan  
 Maj. Katharine Books

## Reenlistments

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 Staff Sgt. Kasie Stairs  
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