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RACERS TO THE RESCUE

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JUL/AUG 2013
COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

It’s an honor and a pleasure to return to the 181st as the Mission Support Group Commander. I returned to the 181st one year ago, following my assignment as Commander of the 4-19th Agricultural Development Team (ADT) in Afghanistan. It was a privilege to lead a group, which included fellow Racers: Master Sgt. Poole, Tech. Sgt. Quyle, Tech. Sgt. Love, and Tech. Sgt. Kapangama. The ADT mission was a Counter-Insurgency (COIN) mission focused on agricultural support operations and developing stability in the region. Our team utilized techniques and information developed from the local farmers and other relevant sources to ensure success. There are few times in your career that you’re able to recruit, train, equip and deploy from start to finish. I was blessed with an outstanding joint team of soldiers and airmen from across the state. The team completed more than 250 missions outside the wire in one of the most dangerous parts of Afghanistan.

My goal is to bring those and other experiences back home to the 181st to make our airmen better and more well rounded. These experiences and many of yours are being incorporated into the Wing Exercise Evaluation Team (EET). As deployments draw down, it will be more important than ever to exercise the way we fight. This will help us prepare for future inspections, encourage teamwork, and promote a readiness mind set. We must always be ready to answer the nation’s call. The EET training began over the June UTA. You can expect to witness and/or participate in exercise scenarios in the coming months based on the training needs identified by Wing leadership. We will take a very methodical approach as we ramp up to conduct safe and effective hands on exercises. In the spirit of promoting readiness, I want to encourage individual responsibility/accountability. This applies to exercise support, and understanding how each job impacts the mission. The key to exercises is for them not to look like exercises. “See something, say something and most importantly do something.”

Effective communication throughout the organization is a priority. MSG is conducting MSG Town Hall meetings (all hands) every six months to expand the command message and ensure we are all on the same page. Anyone from across the base is welcome to sit in. Facility upgrades will continue around the Wing as funds allow. Please be patient during the construction phase as these much needed upgrades are conducted. The base entry/exit control point and traffic flow will be changing, so please be on the lookout. Safety first!

Another very positive change within the MSG - we welcome Lt. Col. Sean D. Stephens to the organization this month. He will serve as the deputy MSG commander and LRF commander. He comes to us from the 181st Operations Support Squadron. Lt. Col. Stephens brings years of Wing experience to the MSG, with background in maintenance, personnel, intelligence and stan/eval. In addition, he led the “Racer Tech Team” during our UCI preparation in 2011.

I began my career here in the 181st Security Forces back in 1981 and guarded F-4’s at night while going to college at ISU. This Wing is my home and I’m very proud of it and all of our Airmen. Keep up the good work.
The Enlisted Force Structure defines us as airmen. It is comprised of three distinct and separate tiers, each correlating to increased levels of training, education, technical competence, experience, leadership and managerial responsibilities. Our focus on performance is important for the development of skills, leadership abilities and determining who will be selected for advancement.

With the natural differences found across functional and operational lines, there is a common approach to career progression, professional development, and the assumption of increased supervisory and leadership responsibilities.

By employing the Enlisted Evaluation System (EES) into everyday situations, supervisors can develop their subordinates. They must help their subordinates understand their strengths, weaknesses, and how their efforts contribute to the mission. Meaningful feedback is only the first part of the process for subordinates to know what is expected, advice in how well they are meeting and how to better meet expectations.

Performance feedback should not be new, but the reporting requirements are with the revision of Air Force Instruction 36-2406, Officer and Enlisted Evaluation Systems. Enlisted Performance Reports (EPRs) is the second purpose of the EES that is now required for the Air National Guard (ANG). Your leadership will provide you with information on the implementation. ANG personnel senior airman and above, not on active duty or title 32 orders, will be evaluated biannually after their initial evaluation.

EPRs provide a reliable, long-term, cumulative record of performance and potential based on that performance. There are shared and individual responsibilities to accomplish the process. Meaningful information and specific accomplishments of performance during the evaluation period are assessed.

As we transition to new requirements and balance military, civilian, and family obligations, consider proactive planning. One useful tool is located on the Air Force Portal, an airman’s one-stop shop resource called My Enlisted Development Plan (MyEDP) which can be used to stay informed, collaborate with peers, and track your professional and career progression. It’s a streamlined, self-service approach for enlisted to manage professional development.

MyEDP application tools include an EPR bullet tracker. The user is presented with a data entry page that includes a date, bullet box, priority list, what I did, and the results with options to edit. There are calculators to determine the mid-term, and follow up feedback due dates of the rating period from the initial supervisor assignment date. My journal section and goals is used to record anything you want to include meaningful information that can be provided to your supervisor.

My Development Plan is an integrated force development framework providing individual members a user experience and a total force standardized presentation of enterprise data to ensure members receive appropriate development opportunities to meet requirements as future leaders. There are applications for enlisted, officer and civilian corps that can be accessed via the Air Force Portal https://www.my.af.mil on the Force Development home page.

Without vision to help us believe that we can accomplish our goals we are doomed to perpetuate complacency. We continue doing things as they have always been done. Our core values demand that we consistently perform at our best. We must embrace continuous improvement. What is your plan?

Remember: The Wingman concept is more than an event; it is a culture of airman taking care of airman.

**Family Readiness Group - Wingman Day 2013**

Wingman Day 2013 shared the resources available to service members, how to utilize the tools to be resilient, and reinforce and promote the Wingman concept among all airmen. The Wingman Day serves as an opportunity to pause from the day-to-day mission and reinforce the Wingman concept. A resilient individual is balanced in their mental, physical, social and spiritual domains.

To personally bring the focus on how one can be resilient, a guest speaker, Josh Bleill, shared his story. Josh Bleill is a Marine veteran from the Iraq War. He is a double-amputee veteran now working for the Indianapolis Colts as a community spokesperson and the author of “One Step at a Time.”

Remember: The Wingman concept is more than an event; it is a culture of airman taking care of airman.
Members of the 181st Medical Group/19th CERFP Medical Element, 181st Intelligence Group, and Israeli Home Front Command participated in United Front II, a multinational search and rescue exercise in Bloomington, Ind., June 11-13, 2013.

Additional participants included the Bloomington Fire Department, Marine Corp Chemical Biological Incident Response Force, Indiana Task Force 1, 53rd Civil Support Team, Indiana State Police, Veterans Affairs, Civil Air Patrol, and Zihuy Korbanot Ason (ZAKA – an Israeli emergency response organization).

The combined civilian, military, and multi-national search and extraction exercise scenario involved responding to a simulated F5 tornado striking the area.

The joint endeavor included utilizing two collapsed structures at Indiana University, and one off-campus building in downtown Bloomington to conduct search and extraction operations.

The over 90 participants were broken into eight groups of 12 member teams to create diverse skill sets and share valuable search and extraction tactics, techniques and procedures.

“The benefit is we get to work with so many different agencies,” said Master Sgt. Sean Fretwell, 181st CERFP search and distraction medical element. “We work with lots of different teams that are extremely experienced and have real-world operational experience,” continued Fretwell. “They bring to the table such vast experience and knowledge that we can learn from and utilize when we do get called up to do our mission.”

To hone in on specific skill sets and practice using the equipment necessary to participate in the exercise, training included steel cutting, breaching and breaking, lifting and hauling, shoring, ropes, confined spaces, and repel tower training.

During the exercise, members of the 181st Intelligence Group provided Incident Awareness and Assessment (IAA), by assessing the overhead imagery of the infrastructure prior to and after the simulated tornado.

The 181st Intelligence Group was responsible for ensuring a common operating picture for emergency responders, said Maj. Craig Maschino, 181st Intelligence Wing Domestic Operations Coordinator.

When not participating in the exercise, a base camp, or small city of tents, served as a place for exercise participants to get much needed rest. Due to the Israeli diet, exercise participants ate Kosher MREs to ensure they did not cross contaminate with non-Kosher foods. The base camp also housed the Army’s 81st Troop Command, who was responsible for conducting Command and Control operations.

With the ability to partner with local, state, and federal agencies, as well as international partners, the 181st Intelligence Wing plays a vital role in the state’s total response capability and domestic operations, to include disaster response.
Air Guard members from the 181st Intelligence Wing Security Forces Squadron trained at Camp Atterbury, Edinburgh, Ind. May 14 -15, 2013.

During the two day training environment, security forces members trained on repelling techniques, which included basic repelling maneuvers on the six foot wall, a 40 foot repelling tower, UH60 helicopter elevator lift, and Special Patrol Infiltration Exfiltration System (SPIES) training.

“The purpose of this training was to participate in a multi-agency law enforcement training event, which promotes better communications between agencies and allows for additional skill sets directly related to the Air National Guard’s mission of Homeland Security and Domestic Operations,” said Capt. John Mutnansky, security forces commander.

“We never know what we might be called upon to do because we’re Guardsmen...a natural disaster, mass casualty situation, and we could be required to get in rapidly. This kind of training would give us the opportunity to be able to do that,” said Tech. Sgt. Richard Tryon, security forces.

“The repelling training forces us to push our self a little further then would normally do in our normal operational environment”, said Capt. Mutnansky.

The SPIES training was the most impressive maneuver I watched. As Capt. Mutnansky, Airmen Cutler, Tech. Sgt. Tryon and Master Sgt. Grassick were raised into the air approximately 200 feet by the UH60 helicopter, then travelled over the area, hanging from a rope under the helicopter.

“I think I just gained a lot of confidence not only in myself but in my leaders that I came out here with,”said Airmen Candace Cutler after her experience.
OPSEC is a process for protecting unclassified critical information – those indicators our adversaries can piece together that could tip them off to our sensitive operations and activities. OPSEC complements other security programs such as physical security, communications security, and is a part of our overall Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection programs. The biggest challenge of OPSEC is raising awareness and educating everyone. This article in the Racer Flyer is one of the ways we are trying to reach the masses to help raise awareness. Each military member is required to complete TFAT training in ADLS, which covers only a portion of the annual education requirements. You should, at a minimum, be receiving additional training from your unit OPSEC coordinator that includes your unit Critical Information List (CIL), which includes the indicators and countermeasures for each piece of critical information. Do you know who your unit OPSEC coordinator is? If you don’t, ask around, and I’m sure you will find out pretty quickly. Below is a list of general categories of Critical Information. Talk to your unit OPSEC coordinator for 181 IW and unit CIL.

**GENERAL CATEGORIES OF CRITICAL INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE PROTECTED**

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If you have any questions related to OPSEC, talk to your unit OPSEC coordinator or the 181 IW OPSEC Program Manager - Capt. Matt Hollowell at 877-5299, or alternate Program Manager - Chief Master Sgt. Jeff Ennen at 877-5207.

What has NGAI done for you lately? The following Veteran related legislation was enacted into law during the 2013 Indiana Congressional session: Senate Bill 0115 - Combat to college program Requires state educational institutions that have at least 200 veteran students enrolled to establish a combat to college program. Requires a state educational institution to: (1) provide a centralized location for admissions, registration, and financial administration services for veteran students; (2) provide reasonable accommodations for disabled veteran students at a state educational institution's fitness facility; (3) develop programs to provide academic guidance specifically to veteran students; (4) develop programs to provide access to counseling services or resources to veteran students who are disabled or suffering from post traumatic stress disorder; and (5) develop job search programs designed for veteran students. Requires each state educational institution to designate a program coordinator.

Not a member or need to renew your membership? Go to the following website: http://www.ngai.net/membership/

Want to be involved with NGAI/EANGUS/NGAUS? Here are some upcoming events:

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Do you have questions about NGAI, EANGUS or NGAUS? Ask one of your local NGAI Board of Director members: Matt Brown, John “JR” Newman, Matt Hollowell, Scott Kasmer or Brandi Eason.
Admission Liaison Officer Program

The Air Force Academy Admission Liaison Officer Program is looking for Officers in the Indiana area. This is an Additional Duty assignment for members of the Guard, Reserve, and Active Duty. The AF Admission Liaison Officer (ALO) program, also consisting of retired officers and civilians, provides information about Air Force educational opportunities to high school counselors and administrators in all 50 states and several areas overseas. ALOs mentor, evaluate, and assist young men and women interested in, and potentially qualified for, an Air Force career. The ALO meets with students and parents individually and in groups to inform them about opportunities and admission requirements and procedures. The ALO then counsels and assists prospective candidates throughout the admission process. When candidates enter the Academy or the AFROTC program, the ALO is encouraged to maintain contact, offering encouragement and following their progress until graduation.

ALOs also represent the Air Force at college nights, science fairs, service clubs, and other similar activities. Occasionally they appear on radio, TV, and before civic groups to explain the Academy and AFROTC to the public.

Most work is performed at the convenience of the ALO. Individual contacts may be made at times mutually agreeable to the ALO and student.

If you are interested in becoming an ALO in Indiana or would like more information you can contact me at 317-224-6393 or brianweitz@yahoo.com.

Brian Weitz, Capt. ANG
181st IW
Indiana Admissions Liaison Officer, USAFA

Air Force Academy/AFROTC Opportunities

I would like to inform our enlisted members about unique opportunities for airmen to obtain an undergraduate bachelor’s degree and commission as an officer in the US Air Force. The Leaders Encouraging Airmen Development (LEADS) Program allows airmen to compete for an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) scholarship or one of the 135 Air Force Academy appointments made available to those in the Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve. Those not selected for direct entry into USAFA may still be selected to attend the USAFA preparatory schools for one year as a transition from enlisted service to entry into the Cadet Wing.

These are very competitive programs and candidates must meet strict academic, physical and moral standards. In order to qualify for consideration, members must be no older than 23 years of age on July 1 the year he or she would enter the Academy, and no older than 31 years of age as of December 1 of the year the student will be commissioned through the ROTC program.

USAF Academy graduates will incur a five year active duty service obligation upon graduation. Longer commitments are dependent on career field choice and specialized training such as pilot training. AFROTC graduates will have an obligation of four years and like the academy can be longer based on career field.

The admissions process to both the Academy and AFROTC must be completed by the spring of the year of desired entry. It is highly recommended that candidates start this process as early as possible to avoid missed deadlines and navigate unforeseen obstacles and required waivers. Those interested can visit academyadmissions.com or afrotc.com.

To obtain more information or get an application started, please contact me at brianweitz@yahoo.com or the USAF Admissions Liaison Officer Director in Indiana at IndianaLOD@live.com.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Capt. Brian Weitz, ANG
181st IW
USAFA Admissions Liaison Officer
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Again, many thanks to all those involved for their hard work, dedication, and extreme flexibility. It was a testament to the resiliency and professionalism of the LRF in good times and in challenging times.

U.S. Air Force members from the 181st Intelligence Wing, Communications Flight, retire the colors at the end of the duty day during the June 2013 Unit Training Assemble. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Master Sgt. John Day/Released)

Present Arms........
by Capt. John Petrowski, 181st IW/CF Commander

Col. H.A. Barnum's official report of the 149th Volunteer Infantry at Gettysburg, published Nov. 30, 1863, in the Syracuse Journal:

“At about 4 a.m. of the 3d [of July], the regiment was again put in the trenches, and had barely settled into position, when the enemy again furiously attacked us. His charges were most impetuous, and his fire terrific. Twice was our flag shot down, and a rebel 1st Sergeant fell within two feet of the prostrate banner, pierced with five balls, in a brave attempt to capture it. Its record of the bloody contest is eight-one ball holes through its field and stripes, and seven in its staff. Each time it fell, Color-Sergeant Lilly spliced the staff, and again placed the flag upon the work, and received a slight wound in doing so…”

As service members, we must never forget the sacrifices that “Old Glory” has watched over, we must never forget the freedoms it represents and must always, always pay it proper respect.

As a reminder, all personnel within sight or sound of the retreat ceremony should come to attention and render the appropriate salute, facing the flag. Vehicular traffic should come to a halt, and the occupant(s) should remain seated at attention.

Change of Command Logistic Readiness Flight
by Capt. Corrine Foree, 181st LRF/LGRD

A Change of Command is a bittersweet ceremony. A unit must say goodbye to a beloved leader, but simultaneously, there is excitement for the new direction and new expectations that a new command brings. The 181st LRF went through all of that recently as we held our Change of Command ceremony on Saturday, June 1st in the Mobility Warehouse.

The Wing turned out in great numbers to support the outgoing commander, Lt. Col. Joseph Hinkel, the incoming commander, Lt. Col. Sean Stephens, and the people of the LRF. In fact, there was standing room only at the event. Thanks to the efforts of the members of the LRF, past and present, and the support of our brothers and sisters within the Wing, the ceremony was a success. Col. Halbrook served as the officiating officer and presented Lt. Col. Hinkel with a Meritorious Service Medal. All officers involved were able to impart words of wisdom and thanks to the crowd. We were pleased also to have many family members in attendance.

Again, many thanks to all those involved for their hard work, dedication, and extreme flexibility. It was a testament to the resiliency and professionalism of the LRF in good times and in challenging times.
181st Intelligence Wing conducted Wingman Day 2013 with guest speaker Josh Bleill (center). Josh Bleill, a former Marine of the Iraq war, talked to members of the 181st on the importance of the Wingman concept. Afterward, Josh talked with several Wing members, to include Lt. Col. John Newman (left) and Master Sgt. Charles Natt (right). (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Master Sgt. John Day/Released)


Air Force Senior Airman Micheal L. Atchison, 181st IW, 19th CERFP, along with an Israeli soldier, use a crowbar to lift and move heavy slabs of concrete at Camp Atterbury, Ind., June 10, 2013. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. John S. Chapman/Released)
**NEW RECRUITS**

- Elsie Hayslip
- Jerome Kesler
- Kimberly Hortemiller
- Lonnie Wiram
- Michael Hart
- Michael Virostko
- Stuart Burns
- Allen Wallace
- Alton Weaver
- Angel Wilson
- Austin Burows
- John Shepherd
- Kelsey Sever
- Michelle Libka

**WING PROMOTIONS**

1st LIEUTENANT
MATTHEW A RIGGS

TECH. SGT.
TIFFANY L FROMM
MATTHEW R HEALD
ROBERT D HUDSPETH
JENNIFER M LEWIS
JOSHUA L PETROWSKI
DARREL D ZECK

STAFF SGT.
AARON P GREGG
KEVIN W JOHNSON
AUSTIN S STALEY
BRANDON L WILMER

SENIOR AIRMAN
CHAD A BACHOLL
PATRICK E BROWN JR
ADAM D NEITA
CAITLAN N SEVER
TRENT R SIMMS
ZACHARY E TONEY

**RACER PIT STOP**

- **ROAD CONSTRUCTION**
  S.R. 42 will remain closed until approximately Aug. 17.

- **NATIONAL PARKS**
  Free National Park annual pass for military. For more information, visit http://www.nps.gov/findapark/passes.htm

- **MOTORCYCLE REMINDER**
  When on base, all riders are required to wear helmet, eye protection, long sleeves, trousers, full fingered gloves, sturdy over ankle footwear, high visibility upper garment for daytime, reflective upper garment during night. A reflective upper garment may be used for both day and night.

- **COMBAT DINING IN**
  SEP UTA, Cost is $1 per stripe, Officers $10 - POC: Junior Enlisted Council member
**Force Support Squadron**

Greetings from the 181st FSS. We would like to congratulate several members on their recent success over the last few months. Their accomplishments have been achieved inside and outside of the military, and we thank them for their hard work on duty and in their everyday life. To Staff Sgt. Dillon Hatcher and Airman 1st Class Dalton Hatcher (yes related) on their recent passing of 7 Level and 5 Level CDC tests. We would like to welcome back Airman 1st Class Christopher Kosik from technical training.  Airman 1st Class Kosik also received Honor Graduate during his time in training. Airman Basic Joseph Green has departed for Basic Military Training.

We wish him the best of luck and look forward to seeing him return and be a significant part of FSS. Congratulations to Senior Airman William Crady on his recent marriage and Staff Sgt. Jamie Heichelbech on her acceptance into the Social Work Program at IUPUI. Last but not least, we would like to give Honorable Mention to Master Sgt. Laurie Weaver for her participation in Kids Annual Training in which she assisted in the organization of several activities for 300 plus Kids AT participants, which included children and staff.

*Tech. Sgt. Michael Hawkins*

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**207th Weather Flight**

The 207th weather flight participated in multiple military functions with their customer, the 38th Infantry Division Combat Aviation Brigade (CAB), at both Atterbury and Shelbyville for a two week period in early June. The unit continues to utilize the “split team concept” in order to facilitate a wider and more enhanced quality of customer support. Master Sgt. Britt King, Tech. Sgt. Brian Roell and Senior Airman Alex Niyrendah worked extended shifts supporting the 1-137th “C” assault company and the 2-238 “C” MEDVAC companies at Shelbyville. Senior Master Sgt. Cope, Master Sgt. Todd Bock, Senior Airman’s Fitzpatrick and Hoppus, and Lt. Col. Marcello labored for the 38th CAB at Atterbury. The Atterbury team provided generalized meteorological force protection support; delivering meteorological packages to Brigade leadership twice daily; staff update briefings; aircrew briefings for the 376th Det 1 Company “C” (S&S), and weather support for exercise “Bluegrass Resolve.” The exercise “Bluegrass Resolve” occupied much of the first week. In it, the 38th CAB and later the 2-238th General Aviation Support Battalion (GSAB) simulated various responses to a potential earthquake along the New Madrid fault and its catastrophic effects in the state of Kentucky. The exercise provided a fantastic medium for 207th members to better grasp Army, “command and control” concepts, jargon, and DSCA (Defense Support for Civilians). The unit looks forward to future integration with the CAB. On a different note, hats off to Senior Airman Ross Hoppus who passed his second CDC test and who received a promotion at his work place, “Bed, Bath and Beyond.”

*Senior Airman Alex Niyrendah*

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**113th Weather Flight**

The 113th Weather Flight provided support for UAVs and the 76th Infantry Brigade Combat Team at Camp Atterbury from June 1-15.

Staff Sgt. Tiffany Barley welcomed her second daughter April 12, 2013, at Union Hospital in Terre Haute, IN. Lilly Ann weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz. and was 21 ½ inches long. Staff Sgt. Barley says that her oldest daughter, Emma (18 months), has been a wonderful big sister and likes to help with Lilly. She tries to change diapers, dress her, and she also tries to share toys with her little sister. Congratulations on the birth of your beautiful baby girl Staff Sgt. Barley and “big sister” Emma!

Tech. Sgt. Mike Wilkins and his family recently purchased a house. Tech. Sgt. Wilkins says he is glad to have his own home office. Congratulations Tech. Sgt. Wilkins!

Master Sgt. Laurel Tincher accepted a nursing position in medical oncology at Regional Hospital. Congratulations Master Sgt. Tincher!

*Staff Sgt. Tiffany Barley*
RACER UNIT REVIEW

Intelligence Support Squadron
(In accordance with current Air Force guidance, the last name of ISS members have been omitted due to operational security)

We are well into the 101 Critical Days of Summer and it is important to remember to be safe in all we do. We owe it to our families, the unit and ourselves to limit risk whenever and wherever possible. With that being said, it is also motorcycle season. Many of us ride and are planning both short and long trips throughout the summer. Have fun, but remember to plan accordingly to minimize the amount of risk you take. You never know. You might just win a trophy for having an awesome bike like Tech. Sgt. Anthony (2nd place) and Tech. Sgt. Michael (1st place) did at the Riley Miracle Ride.

Capt. Matt, Chief Master Sgt. James, Chief Master Sgt. (ret) Tom and I made the trip to Washington D.C. for the annual ROLLING THUNDER Memorial Day event. The purpose of Rolling Thunder is to promote awareness and bring attention to the POW/MIA issue. There are still over 54,000 soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines still unaccounted for and over 54,000 families looking for answers that they may never find. It was a truly moving event and we highly recommend it anyone thinking about attending. There is something about being part of an event with over 500,000 motorcycles (and 2 scooters) that makes a lasting impression.

By this time in the summer we are well into our train-
ing plan here at the base. This is an excellent opportunity to knock out some of the required Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to maintain 8570 currency. Also, with the multiple upgrades and changes to the floor it was necessary to provide training on all the differences. The intent was to get everyone further along the path to proficiency and at least make you more comfortable with our roles in the mission. The best way to do that is by getting your hands on keyboards and equipment in a relatively safe environment where mistakes won’t shut down the mission floor. Hopefully, that is what our training lab provided for everyone that has gone through so far. We are always looking for ways to make it better and improve upon our process. If you have suggestions on how to do that let us know and we may be able to make it more effective for the next group going through.

I’m pleased with the progress we’ve made towards our ability to function and train. Sometimes it’s hard to drain the swamp when you’re busy fighting off alligators, but we have made some great strides. Keeping the mission running is a tremendous challenge, but through hard work and effort we make it happen every day. Having the ability to train outside of that environment will only make us better in the long run.

I am proud to be a part of this squadron, this wing and this mission. It’s truly our people that make us great and I couldn’t ask for more. We continue to rise to the occasion and make things happen. We live the Air Force Core Values every day and make them part of who we are. I am proud to work with each and every one of you and I am still proud to be a Racer!

Lt. Col. Wayne

Civil Engineering Squadron

Don’t look now, but we are already three weeks into summer already. Now that we’re into the summer months, many within our Civil Engineer squadron are busy doing summer camps, making up UTA days, or just doing active duty days.

Speaking of individuals doing active duty days, we have a number of C.E. Airmen deployed. We want to thank these members for giving up the freedoms and western lifestyle we all enjoy sacrificially for months at a time. In doing this, all other Americans can live, for the most part, without fear and discomfort from foreign adversaries that don’t honor our way of life. Even with the training our Airmen have accomplished over the years, these members need our prayers and support to offset the separation from family and friends.

With that in mind, we also want to thank our family, friends, and fellow Americans for supporting our troops overseas. As a former deployer, I know the difficulty
that these troops endure. Hopefully, many of these Airmen are also being productive while deployed by finishing up CDC’s, taking college courses, staying fit, and/or completing PME requirements for a potential promotion in the future.

Promotions are something that everyone that wears the uniform is proud of. We have one Airman in C.E. that was recently promoted to the rank of Tech. Sgt. on May 15. Congratulations are in order for Joshua Petroski and we want him to know that hard work does eventually pay off.

We have another individual in C.E. that knows that hard work does eventually pay off. Airman 1st Class Derek Beaver made the Indiana State University Dean’s list both semesters in his first year of study. Awesome job Derek!!!

While congratulations are flowing like a mighty rushing river, C.E. would also like to welcome a new member into the full-time work force. Master Sgt. Joshua Ashby was selected to be our new Readiness Superintendent. We all wish you the best!

Along with our new hire, we have an NCO with over 30 years in the Guard retiring and going on terminal leave. We pray and wish Christopher Shattuck a happy retirement and thank him and his family for their service to this great state and country.

Lastly, we are in the 100 critical days of summer period for safety. Please be extra cautious during this time frame and always keep safety in mind to prevent accidents and/or heat-related incidents. Master Sgt. Larry “Ice Man” McBride

**Operations Support Squadron**

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Summer is in full swing and all of us have been very busy with all the usual summer activities plus deployments, training and improving programs for operations.

Senior Master Sgt. Kevin just returned from the Senior Enlisted-Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Master Skills Course (SE-IMSC). The overall goal of the course was to engage with fellow senior enlisted leaders and subject matter experts on topics of interest to both the Air Force and the Intelligence community.

We have a few new members returning from technical training and they are: Airman 1st Class Matthew, Airman 1st Class Timothy and Airman 1st Class Troy; a special congrats goes out to Airman 1st Class Matthew for being a distinguished graduate - great job!

During the month of June, Lt. Col. Matthew, 2nd Lt. Jonathon, Master Sgt. Gregory, and Tech. Sgt. Dustin, alongside other Emergency Management Agencies and Indiana Army Guard members, supported a Disaster Preparedness Exercise in Bloomington, IN, simulating an EF5 tornado that had struck the area.

Master Sgt. Joseph, Master Sgt. Jeremy, Master Sgt. Janace, Tech. Sgt. Shaun, and Staff Sgt. James from the Training Shop have been working diligently on the implementation of the Patriot Excalibur (PEX) database; this will be a “one stop shop” for all users to track training and scheduling events. This has been a long and tedious process but will prove many benefits when completed. Master Sgt. Jason

**Fitness Center News**

(Left photo) Chief Master Sgt. Arlen Eiteltjorge (left), Nick Sherwood (center, WellFit Rep) and Tech. Sgt. Chris Anders, were presented their cash prize for winning the weight loss competition in the fitness center. (Right photo) Nick Sherwood (left, WellFit Rep) presents Master Sgt. Chad Sullivan with a cash prize for winning the drawing portion of the weight loss competition.
**RACER UNIT REVIEW**

**Air Support Operations Squadron**

Hello again fellow racers from the ASOS. Summer is upon us and it should be a time to take a break and relax, but not for us. Things are busier than ever at the 113th. The ASOS Support Flight conducted a field training exercise to fulfill annual training requirements. The unique mission set of the ASOS requires the support personnel to maintain a level of tactical ability beyond that of a typical Air Force support section. Support members completed a series of academic and hands-on task evaluations culminating in a field exercise at Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center. Training highlights included vehicle rollover training, tactical driving, land navigation, and first aid in the field. It was a great learning event and even better team building experience that will further enable the mission of the 113th ASOS. Our Operations section continues their tradition of excellent work in the Joint Training arena. **Major Perkins, Staff Sgt. Eason, Senior Airman Bowlin, and Airman 1st Class Buker** conducted Emergency Close Air Support (ECAS) training with a Marine reserve unit from a neighboring state. The group provided exceptional training to 30 Marines. The work they did was so outstanding that it prompted the Marine Battalion Commander to award **Staff Sgt. Eason** a Certificate of Commendation and the Meritorious Mast to both **Senior Airman Bowlin**, and **Airman 1st Class Buker**. Their efforts forged a long lasting tactical training relationship with our Marine Brothers and Sisters. A fantastic job by terrific Airmen. We also had a chance to work with one of our aligned IN NG units. We were again able to provide training, this time to a Sniper Scout element of the 76th IBCT, which resulted in the training of 9 ARNG in CAS procedures, and getting our Airmen training on one of the latest Sniper Systems. Finally we were able to work with some of our 137th IS brothers during some UAV training right here at HUF. **Lt. Shulman** was able to secure the help of a surrogate ISR asset and conducted several missions providing our JTAC’s training on target tracking, sensor de-confliction, and simulated weapons employment. Whew! What a busy couple of months.

The 113th would like to welcome **Staff Sgt. Alton “Ray” Weaver** to the unit. **Ray** comes to us by way of Active duty and the Ga. Air National Guard, and he will be working in our Radio Maintenance shop. Welcome **Ray**. Finally we would like to congratulate **Airmen Reese** and **Smith** on successfully navigating the difficult TACP tech school. That’s it for now. Take care, be safe, and enjoy the summer. **“Negotium De Bellum” Lt. Col. Charlie “FRAM” Iracondo**

**Intelligence Wing**

At the time of this writing, most of us in the Wing are busy getting ready for summer camp at Alpena. However, some folks are staying behind to pursue other options, such as **Master Sgt. John Day. Master Sgt. Day** will be retiring July 10 after 30 years of military service. We wish him the best of luck in his new endeavors! **Tech. Sgt. Gary Murphy** is also preparing for an August retirement - stop by the Orderly Room in Building 18 and wish him well before he leaves us!

We also had a few promotions in the Wing since our last update. **1stLt. Matthew Riggs, Senior Master Sgt. Michael May**, and **Tech. Sgt. Darrel Zeck**. Congratulations to all of you!

We’ve had some exciting things going on with our Racer families, as well. **Col. Bonte** and his family welcomed a new addition. **Kinley Nichole Collins** was welcomed into the world by her parents **Ashley and Donald Collins** on May 4th. Congratulations to the entire family!

**Senior Master Sgt. Mike May’s son, Patrick**, recently finished up sixth grade on the Honor Roll and made straight A’s on the Math Olympiad Team. He also made the 99th percentile on the Tennessee state math exam. Congratulations to **Patrick**, and all of our Wing family members on their accomplishments!

**Maj. Howard** is also away at PA school till late Aug. In his absence is **Master Sgt. Jami Perusich**. Feel free to contact her during the week at 812-877-5658 if you need any assistance.

The PA shop is looking for two individuals to fill the 3N0X5 positions (PhotoJournalist). If interested, contact **1st Lt. Brandy Fultz** or **Senior Master Sgt. John Chapman** at ext. 471 for more details!

**Master Sgt. Jami Perusich**
Logistic Readiness Flight

In June we had a Change of Command of the Logistics Readiness Flight. We would like to send thanks to Lt. Col. Joseph Hinkel for his leadership the past ten years. Good luck to you in your new career! With that, we want to extend a warm welcome to our new Commander, Lt. Col. Sean Stephens. We look forward to working with you!

The changes don’t stop there. Welcome to our newest member, Master Sgt. Timothy Vanderford. Tim is working in Logistics Plans. He comes to us with a lot of experience and knowledge. When new people come, others depart. Master Sgt. Larry Muldoon has retired from the Logistics Plans office. Larry, it has been a pleasure working with you. Good luck to you in retirement! Also, Senior Airman William Zigler has out-processed. Good luck to you, Ziggy.

Spring and summer months are popular for all of us to travel and receive training. This year is no exception. Senior Master Sgt. Moira Johanningsmeier, Master Sgt. Mary Galloway, Master Sgt. Steve Strange, Tech. Sgt. J.D. Brown, Tech. Sgt. Rebecca West and Staff Sgt. Adam McCullough enjoyed a few days in Volk Field, WI to learn a new aspect of the Supply System. Staff Sgt. Hannah White has been to Ft Wayne Air National Guard Base multiple times to become more skilled in Logistics Plans. Master Sgt. Gregory Dunham traveled to Ft Wayne as well to receive some refresher training. Greg also attended a Patriot Guard conference at Volk Field, Wis., in preparation for the upcoming exercise. Tech. Sgt. Tina Pressey attended technical school in Biloxi, Miss., graduating with a 96%. Way to go, Tina! Capt. Corrine Force has already been to Biloxi, Miss., this year. She is also scheduled to go to Nashville, Tenn., and Sheppard Air Force Base this summer to receive training adding to her skillset as a Logistics Readiness Officer. Master Sgt. Tim Tanner and Staff Sgt. Brandin Grant have been trained in Munitions Inspection after spending two weeks in the lovely Boise, ID. Master Sgt. Mary Galloway spent some time in the sunny Panama City, Fla. Tech. Sgt. Mark Ford, Tech. Sgt. Stacey Snow, Staff Sgt. Adam McCullough and Staff Sgt. Jason Russell are heading to Alpena, Mich., for the Wing Annual Training. Tech. Sgt. Brock Goodman and Senior Airman Dayne Goodman will be heading down to Atlanta, Ga., to brush up on the latest and greatest in Fuels Accounting. Last, but certainly not least for this fiscal year, Staff Sgt. Mike Hall is heading to technical school for Materiel Management.

We hope that everyone is having a safe and enjoyable summer!

Tech. Sgt. Rebecca West

Medical Group

The Medical Group would like to welcome back Airman 1st Class Courtney Weaver from Basic Military Training and Aerospace Medical Services training. The CERFP would like to welcome back Airman 1st Class Nicki Johnson from Basic Military Training and Cardiopulmonary Technician training. Congratulations to 1st Lt. Michael Deakins, Senior Airman Chad Bacholl, and Senior Airman Caitlin Sever on their recent promotions. The Medical Group and CERFP would like to welcome the newest Public Health Officer, Captain Shepard to the CERFP.

On June 1, 2013, the CERFP attended training with the Evansville Fire Department. They participated in exercises consisting of high angle rescue, repelling, and ropes training. Members of the CERFP gained valuable knowledge from the trainers and real world experience during their training. A 60 foot repelling tower was used for members to repel down the wall and rescue simulated patients in a stokes basket.

The CERFP also participated in United Front from June 9–13. The Israel Defense Force -National Rescue Unit, Indiana Task Force 1, the Bloomington Fire Department, and the Indiana CERFP conducted a search and extraction training exercise on three different incident sites. The sites were an old fraternity house, a post-office, and an Indiana University computer center. Participants conducted 24-hour operations and collaborated with each other to accomplish the mission.

2nd Lt. Nikki Price
DECADE AGO

Wing members of the 181st deployed to Incirlik AB, Turkey to support the enforcement of the no-fly zone over northern Iraq.