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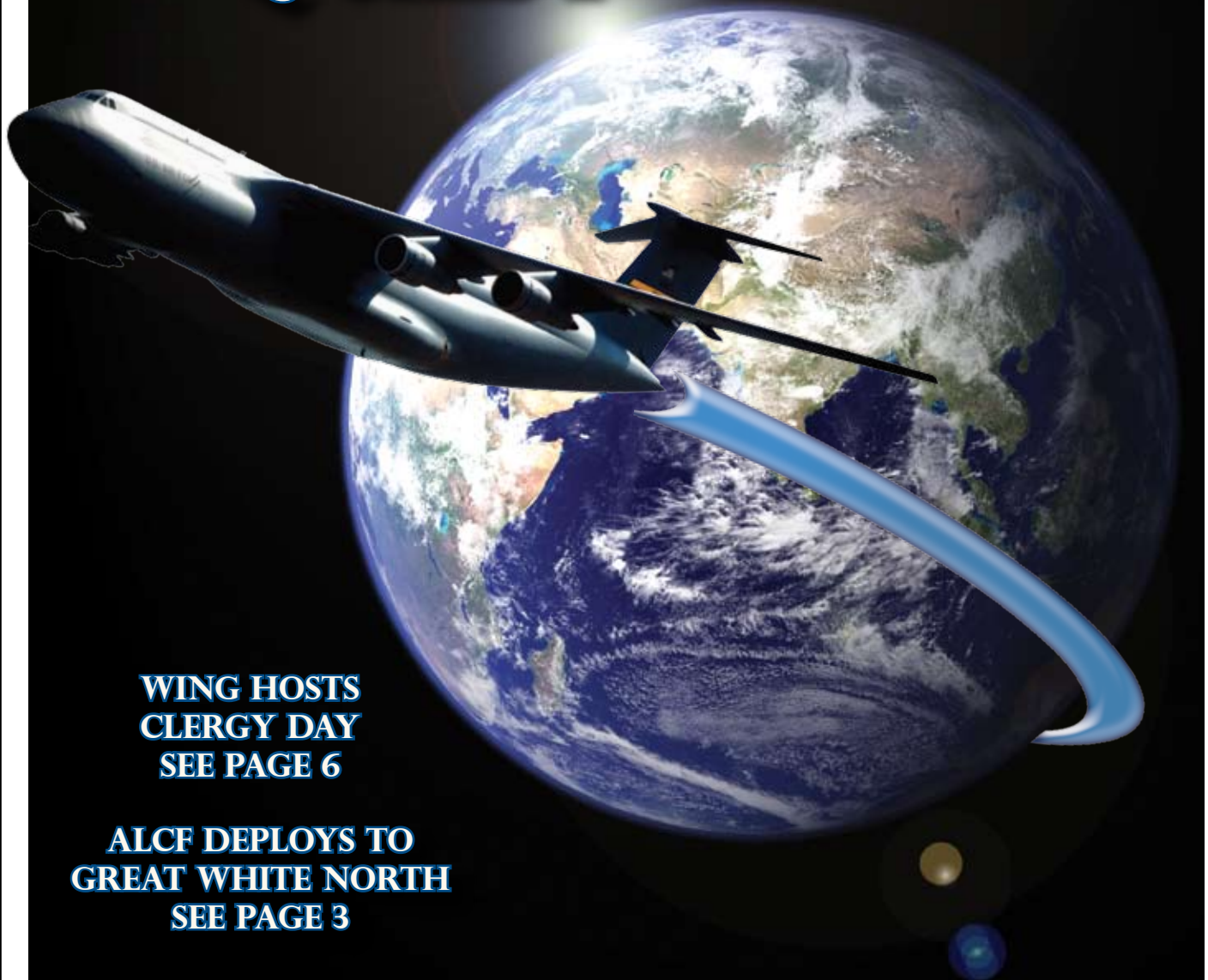
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On the cover



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Liberty Wing leadership recently penned new vision and mission statements, outlining the unit's purpose and plotting a path for its future. The 512th Airlift Wing is already a worldwide force multiplier with scores of Airmen supporting missions both here and abroad.

Vision Quest

Wing leadership pens new vision, mission statements

Lt. Col. Louis DiModugno
512th MSG deputy commander

John F. Kennedy once said, "Efforts and courage are not enough without purpose and direction."

The spirit of those words is embodied in the 512th Airlift Wing's new mission and vision statements, which seek to channel the commitment and bravery of our Airmen toward a unified, worldwide goal.

Our mission:

"Fly and fight by delivering airlift and support options for the defense of the United States of America and its global interests."

Our vision:

"Ready with unrivaled Airmen and global airlift for freedom's defense."

You may ask yourself what was wrong with our old mission or vision statements. Some of you might not have known we even had a mission or vision statement.

What's most important is that you know now, and that you understand the profound meaning behind these words.

A unit needs its mission to be clearly defined so everyone—both inside and outside the organization—understands its purpose. To define our mission, we need to answer three questions:

1. What do we do?
2. How do we do it?
3. For whom do we do it?

The questions may seem simple, but they represent the complex, ever-changing global climate in which our military now operates.

Since the Sept. 11 attacks, much has changed about how our wing—and the Air Force Reserve—does business. Those changes, coupled with the advent of the new National Security Personnel System, were catalysts for wing leadership to take a comprehensive look at our true purpose.

We used to be responsible for recruiting, training, equipping and retaining Airmen for global strategic airlift. But since the Global War on Terrorism began, our wing and its members have been involved in worldwide support far beyond airlift.

As I write this, almost 400 Liberty Wing members are on orders supporting



Lt. Col. DiModugno

various missions throughout Southwest Asia, to include our wing commander, who is serving in Baghdad, Iraq. These deployed Airmen are providing critical support through their experience and leadership.

In 1997, the Air Force Reserve was given its own command separate from our active counterpart. Yet, we still share a common mission statement. It still boils down to the old adage, "To fly and to fight," an ideal reflected in the 512th's new mission statement. We fly and enable the fight. We do this through airlift and support options, and we do it for the United States of America and its global interests.

Our vision statement represents the aspirations that embody our purpose. The first word of the statement, "Ready," was chosen by our leadership to emphasize the exemplary preparedness of our wing. This underlines all we do, from the civilians who enable our readiness to the trainers and functions that ensure our readiness.

The invaluable resource that breathes life into that concept of readiness is our troops, our "unrivaled Airmen."

This means you.

Each and every one of you should aspire to a high level of excellence and professionalism. Accomplish this in all you do—keep your ancillary training up to date; ensure your fitness level is high and seek the uppermost level of training in your Air Force Specialty Code.

To be *ready!*

Each UTA, many of us attend retirements and the newcomers orientation. Our wing is constantly changing with a steady stream of outgoing personnel and the arrival of "new blood." Because of this constant change, we must always remember what our purpose is and what our aspirations are. We must also remember that we have one clear mission and one focused vision, both of which revolve around you—the unrivaled Airman.

Airlift control flight deploys to Canada

Tech. Sgt. Veronica A. Aceveda
512th AW Public Affairs

The 512th Airlift Control Flight recently supported Operation Maple Flag in Cold Lake, Alberta, Canada. The once-a-year event provides a venue to develop war-fighting air combat skills among friendly forces.

The six-week training exercise in May and June involved an estimated 500 fighter jets from various military services and nations ranging from the Netherlands to Singapore.

Chief Master Sgt. Doug Pyatt is one of two members who deployed for the entirety of the event. He said the training was similar to that of aerial war games performed at Operation Red Flag in Las Vegas for the past 30 years.

"It's the Canadian-sponsored version, where fighter-type aircraft from several friendly nations practice flying missions together in stressful, simulated combat conditions," said the chief, who worked alongside Tech. Sgt. Eduardo Estrada-Reyes, the other Liberty Wing member who supported OMF from beginning to end.

Eight other members from the 512th ALCF, including the commander, Maj. Russ Carlisle, backfilled position shortages from the 440th ALCF out of General Mitchell Air Reserve Station, Wis.

In addition to supporting the Maple Flag mission, Major Carlisle received his

Contingency Response Element commander's certification from a fellow ALCF commander also deployed to Canada.

Chief Pyatt, who served as the mission support team chief at OMF, said the overall experience was much appreciated by the Reserve wing's ALCF, since actual deployments have lessened during the past year due to organizational restructuring.

A CRE is what an ALCF (like the one in the 512th AW) becomes once it's activated to deploy. A CRE is charged with providing command and control, mission support, communications and aerospace ground equipment for Air Mobility Command-directed missions worldwide.

However, the active-duty Air Force has formed larger Contingency Response Groups, which include all three elements of a CRE plus all of the other necessary positions needed to support a contingency operation, including maintenance, security, intelligence and all of the associated equipment such as fuel bladders and forklifts.

The 512th ALCF commander said it is possible for a CRE to deploy as a whole CRG, but other positions would have to be backfilled.

"It may take us some time to coordinate

the shortfalls of these assets, whereas active duty already has them on hand for immediate deployment," said the 512th ALCF commander.

But when the 512th ALCF does get the call to deploy, it will definitely be joint and probably multi-national.

"That's why Maple Flag is so important; it gives my guys the valuable opportunity to practice how we fight, joint and multi-national, under the stress of a simulated combat environment," said Major Carlisle. "In addition, it helps our people in seven different (career fields) to stay proficient at doing their jobs."

More specifically, while deployed to Canada, 512th ALCF members handled the airlift needs of about three to four aircraft per day, including a variety of cargo and tanker planes.

"Each aircraft is different, so we must know the procedures and characteristics for each type," said the chief, who's also a loadmaster. "If an aircraft broke and needed parts, we coordinated the delivery of those parts; our role was to recover and launch (AMC) aircraft."

In all, Dover reservists contributed to about 40 airlift missions, managing up to 50 tractor-trailer trucks full of equipment during a 45-day period.



Old is new again

Chief Master Sgt. Malcolm McVicar explains the history of the circled U.S. lapel insignia to Tech. Sgt. Sharee Hileman at the Air Force Enlisted Heritage Research Institute at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala., on Aug. 8. A recent change to Air Force Instruction 36-2903 returned the circled insignia to the enlisted service dress uniform. The origin of the insignia can be traced back to 1902. Airmen can return to their heritage and begin wearing the circled insignia now, but must have it on by Jan. 1. In addition, senior NCOs will no longer wear shoulder board rank effective Oct. 1.



Photo by Melanie Rodgers

Liberty Wing recognizes newest NCOs

Senior Airman Steve Germann
512th AW Public Affairs

Twenty new noncommissioned officers were honored at the 512th Airlift Wing NCO Induction Ceremony Aug. 6 at the Air Mobility Command Museum.

The annual ceremony recognizes 512th AW members who have obtained NCO status. This particular ceremony acknowledged individuals promoted to staff sergeant from July 2005 to May 2006.

Col. David H. Wuest, 512th AW vice commander, administered the NCO oath during the event.

Capt. Cathy Milhoan, 512th Memorial Affairs Squadron, presided as guest speaker. She shared her leadership experiences as an enlisted troop in both the Army National Guard and the 512th AW.

The function was organized by the Reserve wing's Top 3, a leadership organization comprised of senior NCOs. Senior Master Sgt. Ara Shishmanian, President of the Top 3 and a member of the 46th Aerial Port Squadron, said the event was the third NCO induction in five years.

"There was a long break due to all of the activations; a lot of people were busy," said Sergeant Shishmanian.

Jen Uriah drove four hours from Virginia

with her newborn daughter, Alissa, to share the experience with her husband, Staff Sgt. Michael Uriah, 512th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

"I'm proud of my husband," said Mrs. Uriah.

When asked if she helped contribute to her husband's promotion, she said she always urged him to trade his video games for study materials.

Sergeant Shishmanian said having family members present for the ceremony is an extra bonus for reservists and the wing.

"The purpose of the induction is to recognize promotions, leadership, camaraderie and unit development," he said.



Ceremony inductees

SSgt Alexander Bard
SSgt Andrew Brooks
SSgt Matthew Burke
SSgt Atkibar Caffee
SSgt Chulk Celestine
SSgt Corey Diluzio
SSgt Phillip Donaway
SSgt Rodney Douglas
SSgt Steve Escobar
SSgt Kevin B. Flowers Jr
SSgt Christopher Gordon
SSgt Ossawa Gillespie
SSgt Tamara Gay
SSgt John Gifford
SSgt George Hires
SSgt Cicely Hinton
SSgt Lee R. Hebert Jr
SSgt Corey Jones
SSgt Brewster J. Knott Jr
SSgt Wayne Leahy
SSgt Garrett Lee
SSgt Robert Rogers
SSgt Katherine Roser
SSgt Arthur Santos
SSgt Kirkham Smith
SSgt Michael Uriah
SSgt Wilken Washburn
SSgt Derek White
SSgt Tiffany Williams
SSgt Robert Wright
SSgt William Young



Photo by Senior Airman Steve Germann

Staff Sgt. Michael Uriah's family attended the 512th Airlift Wing NCO Induction Ceremony Aug. 5 at the Air Mobility Command Museum. His wife Jen drove with her daughter Alissa from Virginia to witness the special occasion. Sergeant Uriah works in the 512th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.



Air Force photo

Full Spectrum Jazz, a nationally-acclaimed ensemble, is one of three Air Force Reserve bands slated to perform at various locations throughout Delaware and Maryland from Oct. 19 to 21. The 13-member band features Master Sgt. Kenneth Trimmins, who was featured on the Jay Leno Show in 2002 for his ability to play two trumpets simultaneously.

Reserve bands to perform in Delaware, Maryland

1st Lt. Marnee A.C. Losurdo
512th AW Public Affairs

Three musical groups from the Air Force Reserve Band are scheduled to play a series of concerts throughout Delaware and Maryland Oct. 19 to 21.

The groups include Full Spectrum Jazz, a 13-piece big-band style group, Southern Aire, a six-member group who wear traditional Scottish regalia and perform Celtic rock and traditional pipe music, and Woodwind Quintet, which performs light classics, patriotic and classical music.

“The goal of the performances by these talented musicians is to raise awareness of the Air Force Reserve, support recruiting efforts and thank the community for their outstanding support of the 512th Airlift Wing and Dover Air Force Base,” said. Col. David H. Wuest, 512th AW vice commander.

“We’re very pleased with the variety of performances that have been scheduled,” added Colonel Wuest. “The support we have received from the community has been outstanding.”

The schedules for the three musical groups include:

Oct. 19

- Woodwind Quintet music workshop at 11 a.m. at Delaware State University, Dover. (Students Only)

- Full Spectrum Jazz at 12:45 p.m. at the Modern Maturity Center, Dover. (Open to the public)

Oct. 20

- Southern Aire at 12:30 p.m. at the Milford Senior Center, Milford. (Open to the public)

- Full Spectrum Jazz at 7 p.m. at the Schwartz Center, Dover. (Open to the public)

Oct. 21

- Full Spectrum Jazz at 11 a.m. at the Wicomico County Annual Autumn Wine Festival at Pemberton Park, Salisbury, Md. (Open to the public)

- Southern Aire at the Diamond State Championship Barbecue at Dover Downs. Festivities begin at 10 a.m. with a special performance of the national anthem and flag raising as well as two performances during the event. (Open to public)

- Woodwind Quintet at 7 p.m. at the Calvary Assembly of God, Dover. (Open to the public)

The concert at the Schwartz Center features a special performance dedicated to military members and their families, Delaware State University personnel and local civic leaders.

For more information on any of these events or to volunteer to assist, call the 512th Public Affairs Office at (302) 677-3485 or e-mail liberty.press@dover.af.mil.

THE LIBERTY WING

Local religious leaders visit Dover for Clergy Day 2006

Staff Sgt. Paul Flipse
512th AW Public Affairs

“Why do you volunteer for the military,” asked Tony Stephens, a rusty-haired pastor from southern Pennsylvania. The question was directed at a half dozen or so uniformed reservists sitting among more than 30 civilian pastors, priests, ministers and bishops who toured Dover Air Force Base Aug. 14 as part of the base’s Clergy Day.

Every two years, reservists can invite their local pastors to visit the base to learn exactly why—and how—they serve their country.

So, on a muggy, late-summer Monday, clergy from Maryland, Pennsylvania and Delaware descended on Dover for the day-long event. Wing Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Groth, whose angular, 6-foot, 7-inch frame puts him closer to heaven than most, played shepherd to the flock of visiting evangelists.

The day’s activities included a C-5 flight with an air-to-air refueling by a Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D., KC-135R, a visit to the memorial affairs building and a trip to a field chapel that simulated conditions military clergy face while sermonizing in Southwest Asia.

During the flight, clerics took turns visiting the flight deck, where they got bird’s-eye views of the refueling and the vast, azure sky. Marcus Matthews, a soft-spoken bishop from the United Methodist Church in Philadelphia, used a spiritual simile to describe the ride.

“I fly all the time,” he said. “But never like this.”

As for Pastor Stephens’ question of why reservists are compelled to volunteer, the answer came from Lt. Col. Craig LaFave, chief of the C-17 program integration office here.

“I do it for God and country,” the colonel said. “I do it to protect our way of life.”



(Above) A 512th Operations Group aircrew prepares to “hit a target” on the Liberty Wing, and chaplain’s assistant Tech. Sgt. Joanne Burgess, 436th AEW, looks out amid a condensation haze in the crew compartment; Tech. Sgt. C...





ker" from the 319th Air Refueling Wing, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D. (Below, left to right) Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Groth, 512th Airlift AW, give clerics the lowdown on downrange devotion in a mock field chapel; Lt. Col. Craig LaFave, 512th AW, gives a preflight safety brief Glenn Bailey, 709th Airlift Squadron, explains the engineer's panel to Keystone-state Pastor Tony Stephens.





Replacement income begins for eligible reservists

Starting Sept. 1, reservists will begin receiving Reserve Income Replacement Program pay.

Congress ordered the Department of Defense to develop the RIRP to aid members of the Reserve and National Guard who get less pay because they are involuntarily put on active duty.

The difference in pay is the average monthly civilian income before a person is mobilized and the person's total monthly military compensation after mobilization.

To get the money, reservists must be serving involuntarily on active duty. Also, they must have served 18 consecutive months on active duty, completed 24 months of active duty during the previous 60 months, or been involuntarily mobilized for 180 days or more within six months of the previous involuntary period of active duty of more than 180 days.

Reservists will receive the pay for every full month of involuntary active-duty service they perform from August 2006 through December 2008. Payments are capped at \$3,000 per month.

More information on RIRP is available at (800) 525-0102. *(Courtesy AFRC from an ARPC news release)*

Reservists receive more down time

Effective Aug. 1, deployed personnel now earn two-and-a-half days of downtime for every 30 days deployed, up to a maximum of 14 days. The new post-deployment downtime policy more than doubles the number of "free gratis" time given under the old policy, which limited Air Force Reserve Command-gained people to one day for every 30 days deployed. AFRC members gained by other major commands will follow their respective command's downtime policy. *(Courtesy AFRC)*

Ready-made BDUs only a click away

With the latest edition to the exchange online store, busy troops can now assemble their uniforms with just a few clicks of the mouse.

The virtual exchange's new "Uniform Ready-to-Wear" site makes it easy to complete uniform orders through one easy-to-use Web page. The final product is shipped to the Airmen's door, ready to wear right out of the box with no assembly required.

Uniforms can be ordered along with add-on items such as boots, belts, T-shirts and socks. A local alterations contractor will even attach all nametapes, rank, insignia, badges and patches.

"This is the most convenient way for an Airman or officer to purchase a set of BDUs," said Army and Air Force Exchange Service Air Force Program Manager, Military Clothing Maj. Brian Schooley. "The uniform is delivered directly to the mailbox, and once the local command patch is attached the uniform is ready to wear."

Operational since July 24, the "Uniform Ready-to-Wear" site may be accessed by logging on to www.aafes.com. From there, military service-members need only to select "Military Uniforms Ready-to-Wear" to begin creating their custom uniform. *(Courtesy AAFES)*



Now hiring reservists; inquire within

OSI

The Air Force Office of Special Investigations is recruiting staff and technical sergeants to serve as special agents in the Air Force Reserve's Individual Mobilization Augmentee Program. Current reservists may apply for the duty. Accepted applicants will attend the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and the Air Force Special Investigations Academy, both in Glynco, Ga.

More information about OSI Reserve Affairs is available by calling (240) 857-0866 or going online at <http://public.afosi.amc.af.mil/> and following the link to "Joining OST" or "Reserve Affairs."

JROTC

Retirees from the Air Force Reserve Command and Air National Guard can apply for instructor duty in the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps.

AFJROTC officials anticipate Congress will approve and enact legislation to Title 10 by Oct. 1 permitting them to hire retired Reserve and Air Guard members as instructors. Currently, active-duty retirees are the only people serving as AFJROTC instructors.

Based on this anticipated approval, AFJROTC is accepting applications from Reserve and Guard members who retired within the past five years or less or who are within six months of a fixed retirement date.

Applications can be accessed at www.afoats.af.mil by clicking "AFJROTC" and then "Instructor Application," and more information is available by calling (866) 235-7682. *(Courtesy AFRC and AFJROTC)*

Reserve retirement process changes

Eligible members of the Air Force Reserve will now submit their retirement application electronically via the virtual Personnel Center Guard and Reserve, a 24/7 customer service Web portal, operated by the Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver.

This new Web-enabled service is available at any time from anywhere in the world and gives Airmen the ability to monitor the status of their application from start to finish. Reservists can log on to the vPC-GR at <http://arpc.afrc.af.mil/support/default.asp> to begin the process. This new process only applies to members who have not yet initiated a retirement application. *(Courtesy Air Force Reserve Command)*

Around the 512th

Employer Day

Reservists joining their employers for lunch at the Landings Club are reminded to pay in advance at the 512th Public Affairs Office or pay during the event's registration period, which runs from 8:15 to 8:45 a.m. at the club.

Dental appointments

Effective Oct. 1, all reservists listed as Class IV dental, will be put into a "no pay, no points" status.

One day has been set aside for walk-in, Class IV appointments with the 512th Aerospace Medicine Squadron.

Walk-ins will be taken on Sept. 9 from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m.

UTA church service

Wing Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Groth offers a special half-hour protestant church service each Sunday UTA at 8 a.m. in Chapel 1. Wing members and their families are welcome to attend.

Assumption of command

Col. Elaine K. Barron assumes command of the 512th Mission Support Group during a 10 a.m. ceremony at the Landings Club Sept. 10. A reception immediately follows the ceremony. The event will be hosted by 512th Airlift Wing Vice Commander Col. David H. Wuest.

Those interested in attending can call the 512th MSG command section at (302) 677-3489.

Wing formal ball

The Liberty Wing's formal ball is Nov. 4 at Dover Downs. Wing Commander Col. Ronald A. Rutland will have just returned from his deployment to the desert and has been asked to be the key speaker for the event.

Interested volunteers are encouraged to attend planning meetings held on the Sunday of each A-Team UTA in Building 202's wing conference room, beginning at 2 p.m.

Tickets cost \$42 and will be available through designated POCs.

The event is open to wing military and civilian members. For more information, call (302)

Fitness uniforms

The wing has placed a mass order for the new PT uniform. Once the shipment is received, units will be contacted for pick-up and distribution. The mandatory wear date is Oct. 1.

Online access

Download the latest edition of the Liberty Press at <http://www.512aw.afrc.af.mil/library/libertypress/index.asp>.

Submissions for the wing's monthly magazine can be e-mailed to liberty.press@dover.af.mil.



The 512th Airlift Wing public Web page has wing, command and Air Force news, as well as biographies of the wing's leadership and various factsheets about the C-5, the 512th AW and the Air Force Reserve. Visit the page at <http://www.512aw.afrc.af.mil>.

Honor Guard needed

Several of the wing's Honor Guard recently relocated, leaving several positions open.

To find out more about the benefits and rewards of the wing's Honor Guard program, e-mail 2nd Lt. Todd Bichsel at todd.bichsel@dover.af.mil or Tech. Sgt. Jesse Price at jesse.price@dover.af.mil.

Hispanic luncheon

The wing's Human Resources Development Council hosts a Hispanic heritage luncheon Oct. 14 at the Landings Club. The event begins at 11 a.m. and features Medal of Honor recipient Alfred Rascon as guest speaker. For more information, call 1st Lt. Crystal Beach at (302) 677-3508.

Free kids video

A Sesame Street video is available for children ages 3 to 5 who are dealing with issues surrounding parents serving on active duty. The video is available online at sesamestreet.org.

A few copies may still be available in the wing's family readiness office in Building 263. Their phone number is (302) 677-3566.



Photo by Senior Airman Steve Germann

Peek-a-boo

Senior Airman Latoya Green, 512th Information Systems Flight, distributes the mail while wearing her chemical warfare suit. Her unit participated in task qualification training Aug. 6. Airmen wore their protective suits while performing duties ranging from mailroom operations to removing computer hard drives.

512th salutes



Newcomers

The 512th Airlift Wing welcomes:

Capt Sean Kelley
 Capt Shawn Kelly
 SSgt Richard Carter
 SSgt Laurie Lewis
 SSgt Penelope Taylor
 SSgt James Watson
 SrA Rachel Chambers
 SrA Michael Gavaghan
 SrA Larry Grandpre
 SrA Joseph Holton
 A1C Ozoma Anaza
 A1C Christopher Barnum
 A1C Victor Crook
 A1C Timothy Echem
 A1C Melissa Hinton
 A1C Lakisha King
 Amn Donnielle Carter
 AB Candice Robinson

Retirements

CMSgt Larry Davis
 MSgt George Beck
 MSgt Louis Lohfink
 MSgt Garrick Wallace
 TSgt Lezlie Eustis
 TSgt Steven Mason
 TSgt Anthony Navickas
 SSgt Michael Duvall

Medals



Aerial Achievement Medal
 CMSgt Larry Davis

Meritorious Service Medal

Maj Kelley Aiken
 SMSgt Rene Flores Sr
 SMSgt Donald Savidge
 MSgt Garrick Wallace

Commendation Medal

MSgt Jeffrey Hoprich
 MSgt Ricky Rigsby
 TSgt Andrew Bissinger
 TSgt Glendale Jackson
 TSgt Robert Reese
 TSgt John Swartz
 TSgt William Tarrant
 SrA Jennifer Chamberlin

Achievement Medal

CMSgt Kenneth Thompson
 TSgt Quincey M. Hester Jr
 TSgt Vyjai Itwaru
 TSgt Daniel Sacco
 TSgt Timothy Vines
 SSgt George Hires
 SSgt Marlana Widdicombe
 SSgt William Williams



Welcome wagon

Name: Airman 1st Class Ozoma Anaza
Unit: 512th Mission Support Squadron
 information management specialist
Civilian Occupation: Student (former flight attendant)
Home Town: Washington D.C.
Hobbies: Running, watching movies, writing poetry
Personal Goals: To pursue a degree in law and get a commission

Reenlistments

MSgt Shelley Petrylka
 MSgt Darin Pusker
 MSgt Cathleen Simpler
 MSgt Dallas Tillett
 TSgt Elvis Armstead
 TSgt James Conley
 TSgt Henry D. Fortney II
 TSgt Denny Scott
 TSgt Rodney Scott
 SSgt Edward Carmack
 SSgt Phillip Donaway
 SSgt Arthur Lawrence
 SSgt Todd Richey
 SSgt Brian Scher
 SrA Ferrell Harvey
 SrA Nicole Younger

PME Graduates

Congrats to recent grads:
Senior NCO Academy
 MSgt Jose Ortiz

NCO Academy

TSgt James Baker
 TSgt Cheryl Dillon
 TSgt Scott Manz
 TSgt Sean Pyne
 TSgt John J. Votta Jr

Airman Leadership School

SrA Kelly James
 SrA Knight Rasian
 SrA Abbey Weston



Promotions

The Air Reserve Personnel Center announced the promotions to lieutenant colonel and major Aug. 17.

To Lieutenant Colonel:

Lt Col James Lackey
 Lt Col Louis Patriquin
 Lt Col Douglas Schreiber
 Lt Col Douglas Smith
 Lt Col John Vogt

To Major:

Maj Kenneth Haltom

Emotional Farewell

Lt. Col. Todd McCubbin, 709th Airlift Squadron commander, and Lt. Col. Kurt Jones, 709th AS operations officer, present the squadron's original guidon to Master Sgt. Barry Heuyard, the squadron's first sergeant. The gift had significant meaning for Sergeant Heuyard, who served as the squadron's first sergeant for more than 25 years, making him the second-highest tenured first sergeant in Air Force Reserve Command. The use of guidons in the military dates back centuries. They were once used as a kind of "battlefield beacon," letting troops know where their unit commander was located. This enabled soldiers to rally quickly around their commander even during the most hectic battles.



Courtesy photo



Photo by Senior Airman Steve Germann

You missed a spot ...

Tech. Sgt. Dawn Scott (left) and Staff Sgt. Mary McMahan, both from the 512th Logistics Readiness Flight, joined other unit booster club members to wash cars Aug. 5 to raise money for retirement ceremonies and this year's holiday party.



Photo by 1st Lt. Marnee A.C. Losurdo

Keep on moving

Lt. Col. Louis DiModugno, 512th Mission Support Group deputy commander, accepts awards on behalf of the MSG from Delaware Lt. Gov. John Carney Jr. The 512th Airlift Wing was recognized Aug. 4 for participating in the Lieutenant Governor's Challenge, a 12-week fitness program based on tracking activities with 30 minutes of movement.

The Lighter Side

Do you know your 512th AW heritage?

Q Do you recognize the aircraft in this picture?

A It is the C-119 "Flying Boxcar." Members of the 512th Troop Carrier Wing (Med) flew the aircraft during the Korean War 1950-1953. It could carry about 12 tons when fully loaded, less than one-tenth of the approximately 135-ton hauling capacity of the C-5 Galaxy aircraft flown today. Nevertheless, the aircraft proved instrumental in preventing the Korean peninsula from being overrun by North Korean invaders in 1950. This faithful workhorse became the primary aircraft of the 512th TCW (Med) in 1958 and continued to serve well into the 1960s.



Base exchange changes hours

The hours of operation for the base exchange are now 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Commissary case lot sale

The base commissary case lot sale is September 15 to 16.

Shoppers can save money by buying bulk quantities of their favorite products at savings of up to 50 percent.

Officers' spouses host craft show

The Dover Officers' Spouses' Club hosts its 21st annual craft show Nov. 4 at the Delaware State Fairgrounds from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dover USO holds formal gala

The Dover USO celebrates their 15th anniversary this year with a formal gala. The event is Nov. 18 at Dover Downs.



Courtesy photo



Thunderbirds to headline 2006 Open House

The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds are scheduled to perform at the Dover Air Force Base Open House October 7 and 8.

Other scheduled performances are the USAF Academy's "Wings of Blue" parachute demonstration team, an aerobatic show by Ed Hamill in his 1950s-style biplane, demonstration flights by C-5 and

C-17 aircraft, and numerous flying and static displays of vintage military aircraft. This year's event will commemorate the Air Force's 60th anniversary. The open house is free to the public.

For more information, visit the 436th Airlift Wing Web site at <http://public.dover.amc.af.mil>, or contact the 436th Public Affairs Office at (302) 667-3372.

UTA Schedule

	A Team	B Team
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