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CSAF directs Air Force-wide inspection

Commanders across the Air Force began conducting health and welfare inspections Dec. 5 to emphasize an environment of respect, trust and professionalism in the workplace.

The health and welfare inspection is a tool routinely used by unit commanders, command chiefs, and first sergeants.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Mark A. Welsh III tasked commanders during the Nov. 28 wing commander's call to examine their work settings and ensure Airmen at all levels consistently apply standards of professionalism and respect across the service.

"Over the past months, I've discussed with our commanders, leaders and supervisors about the importance of pride and performance," said Welsh. "When Airmen

work in a setting that is consistent with our core values of integrity, service and excellence, they perform with honor and distinction - they deserve nothing less. Anything short detracts from that pride and cripples mission effectiveness."

The purpose of this inspection is to reinforce expectations for the workplace environment, correct deficiencies, and deter conditions that may be detrimental to good order and discipline. Commanders will look for and remove unprofessional or inappropriate items that hinder a professional working environment.

"This is about commanders being commanders," Welsh said. "The underlying principle for the inspection is our core values, and the bottom line is that it's the right thing to do." *(Courtesy of Air Force News Service)*



Happy holidays

Chief Master Sgt. William T. Wild III, 512th Airlift Wing command chief, helps serve holiday meals to reservists Dec. 1 at the dining facility. Wild was one of several Liberty Wing leaders who volunteered to serve during the December unit training assembly. The DFAC staff and guests served 780 meals that day. (Photo by Senior Airman Joe Yanik)

Operation Homefront donates free toys to military families

Senior Airman Erika Brooke
512th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 512th Airlift Wing Airman and Family Readiness office, in collaboration with Operation Homefront, hosted a holiday gift giveaway event Dec. 1-2 in Bldg. 263 here.

A&FR and the nonprofit organization have worked together for the past six years to help lighten the financial load of the holiday season for Liberty Wing families.

Operation Homefront was established immediately following 9/11 to provide support for deployed American military personnel and their families. As of 2011, the nonprofit organization has grown to provide more than \$128 million in funding to American military families. During the holiday season, it teams up with a national chain retailer to donate toys to the military families across the country.

This year, more than 4,000 toys were donated to the Liberty Wing, and the Reserve A&FR Office made it possible to give away the gifts to reservists over the weekend, said Master Sgt. Laura Coseglia, 512th A&FR director, who has helped organize the toy drive for the past four years.

To read the entire story, click [here](#).

New blues rule in effect

Col. Raymond A. Kozak, 512th Airlift Wing commander, issued a Uniform Wear Guidance Thursday regarding the wear of blues on Mondays.

In accordance with Air Force Reserve Command and 4th Air Force guidance, 512th AW Airmen will not be required to wear their service blues.

"The uniform of the day is Airman Battle Uniform, and all Airmen are expected to have their service dress and blue service uniforms readily available to wear when required for performing military duty," Kozak said.

Per Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel, pride in one's personal appearance and wearing the uniform greatly enhances the esprit de corps essential to an effective military force. Therefore, it is most important for all Airmen to maintain a high standard of dress and personal appearance.

Base exceeds CFC goal

Team Dover donated \$186,782.17 to the Combined Federal Campaign, approximately 104 percent of the base's goal this year. Contributions to the CFC began in October.

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