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Liberty Wing welcomes new Airmen

Senior Airman Samantha Wilson is a new Air Reserve Technician for the 512th Maintenance Squadron. The Riverdale, Ga., native now resides in Dover, Del. She has been an aircraft maintainer for two years and hopes to become a nursing student. In her free time, Airman Wilson enjoys hanging out with friends.

In addition to Airman Wilson, approximately 20 Airmen attended the 512th Airlift Wing's Newcomers Orientation Jan. 8 here. The one-day class serves as a one-stop spot for inprocessing, including items such as finance, legal and education. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Andria J. Allmond/Released)



File photo by Senior Airman Brian Ferguson

New cell phone law begins in Delaware

Motorists in Delaware are prohibited from texting and talking on hand-held cell phones while driving under a new law.

Delaware became the 30th state to ban texting and using cell phones while driving when this new law took effect Jan. 2. This law also bans pagers and e-mailing using any type of electronic devices including Blackberrys, laptops or other electronic messaging systems.

"It's a primary offense which means the police can pull you over for not being hands free," said Maj. Kenneth Haltom, 512th Airlift Wing Legal Office assistant judge advocate. "You already had to be hands free on base, but now you have to be [hands-free] everywhere in Delaware."

Police can pull over a driver observed talking on a hand-held device and can issue a fine of \$50 for a first offense and can go as high as \$200.

There are some exemptions: police, firefighters and other emergency personnel. It also exempts the use of two-way radios by truckers and other commercial drivers.

Nearby states like Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and Washington D.C. have similar laws banning the use of cell phone and texting while operating a motor vehicle.

A&FR to host workshops Feb. 5

The 512th Airlift Wing Airman & Family Readiness are hosting two financial workshops Feb. 5 in Bldg. 263.

The first is at 9:30 a.m. and concerns credit reports--how to read them and correct errors. Participants are asked to bring a copy of their current credit report, which can be obtained at www.annualcreditreport.com.

The second workshop, set for 10:30 a.m., is on basic budgeting. Attendees will be instructed on creating a basic budget and how to pay existing debt. Those attending are asked to outline their income and expenses ahead of time.

All Department of Defense cardholders are encouraged take part in these programs. To sign-up, call A&FR at (302) 677-3566.

New snack bar hours

The base golf course's 19th Hole Snack Bar & Grill has new hours of operation during unit training assembly weekends. The snack bar will be open from 4-7:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays with a light fare menu and alcoholic or nonalcoholic beverages. For more information, call (302) 677-6038.

Banquet tickets on sale

The 512th Airlift Wing Annual Awards Banquet is scheduled for 6 p.m. March 5 at the Sheraton hotel.

Tickets can be purchased from unit first sergeants. The cost is \$35 for ranks E-7 and above; \$25 for ranks E-6 and below.

The required uniform for servicemembers attending the awards banquet is mess dress or semi-formal for enlisted.