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Country singer Joe Diffie to perform at Wing picnic Aug. 6

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It's a day of summer fun for reservists and their families during the August Unit Training Assembly.

The 512th Airlift Wing Picnic is hosting its biannual picnic from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Eagle's Nest Picnic Area.

"This event is a way to thank reservists for their service and their families for their support; we couldn't complete the mission without their support," said Col. Randal L. Bright, 512th AW commander. "I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to spend time with your family, meet and visit with friends and enjoy good food and have some fun."

While the menu will feature the standard picnic fare of hamburgers and hot dogs, the entertainment for the event isn't as typical.

Country Singer Joe Diffie is scheduled to perform. His career highlights include 12 number one hits, more than 20 top 10 hits, a Country Music Award with George Jones and a Grammy. Some of his songs include Home, If the Devil Danced and Pickup Man.

Also performing is the Rhythm in Blue Jazz Ensemble of the U.S. Air Force Heritage of America Band out of Langley Air Force Base, Va. The jazz band is a 13 member band that performs the American musical art forms of jazz, blues and funk.

Activities for children include games, bouncy pits and face painting.

Information tents will also be on site and feature organizations such as the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, local colleges and the 436th Force Support Squadron's Information, Tickets and Travel and Marketing.

Prior to the picnic, there will be a wing commander's call at 11 a.m. at the Eagle's Nest Picnic Area. Also, the 512th Airlift Wing Airman and Family Readiness Office is hosting a Galaxy Adventure Tour of the base that morning. The event is tailored for children and family members of reservists. The purpose of the tour is to show families what their loved ones do while in Reserve status. The event begins at 7 a.m. at Bldg. 263. Registration is currently underway. For more information, call 512th AF&R at (302)677-3566.

Individuals who would like to volunteer to assist with the event should contact Master Sgt. Ommar Then, 512th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, at (302) 677-5275.

"If members would purchase their tickets as soon as possible, that would greatly help the planning committee in preparing for all the great activities that day," said Sergeant Then, the picnic committee chairman. "Having a good head count is pivotal for an event of this magnitude; so, please purchase those tickets early. You can't beat the price."

Tickets cost
\$1 per person and
\$3 per family.

Available for
purchase through
unit first sergeants
and the 512th
AW Public Affairs
Office, Bldg. 520,
Rm. 203.



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Super Galaxy at Paris airshow

Lt. Col. Mark Alderson (center), a pilot with 709th Airlift Squadron at Dover Air Force Base, Del., tells an Italian army lieutenant general (right) about the capabilities of C-5M Super Galaxy. The C-5M is one of the 11 U.S. aircraft on display at the 49th International Paris Air Show, Le Bourget Airport, France, June 20-26. To read about the airshow, visit <http://www.usafe.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123261577>.

AF Personnel Services has new website

People who want more information on managing their Air Force career can go online to a new website called Air Force Personnel Services, according to a news release from the Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver.

AFPERS offers more than 4,000 articles on relevant human resource information for all Airmen – active duty, Guard, and Reserve – as well as federal employees and military retirees. The website allows people to search for the top, relevant articles rather than hundreds of unrelated items. People will automatically go to AFPERS when they log on their Virtual Personnel Center – Guard and Reserve account. Their vPC-GR will remain unchanged once they click on the vPC-GR link at AFPERS. They can visit the AFPERS website and create an account from any computer, anytime, anywhere in the world. (Courtesy AFRC)

Street Smart briefings June 29 at base theater

The Street Smart briefings, presented by the Stay Alive from Education team, are at the base theater at 7 and 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. June 29. All military and civilian personnel are encouraged to attend. Street Smart is a real-life program that demonstrates the consequences of poor choices such as drinking and driving, drug abuse, eating, texting and talking on the phone while driving and not wearing a seat belt.