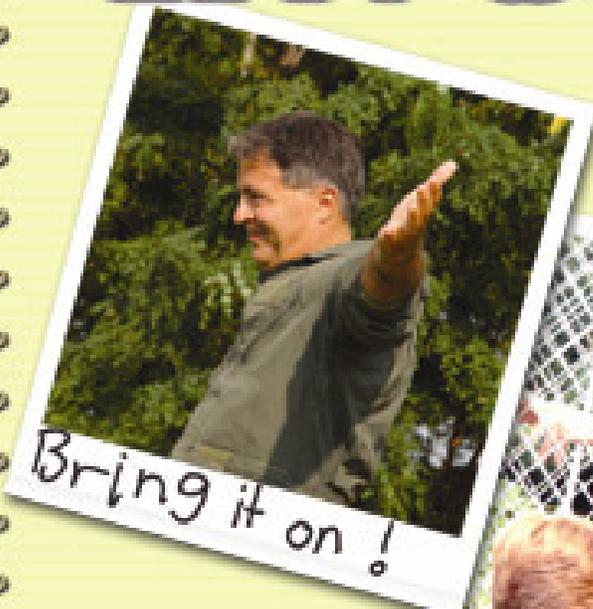


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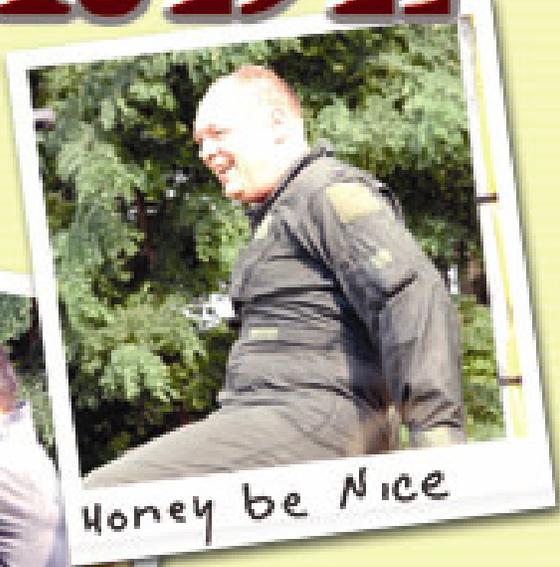
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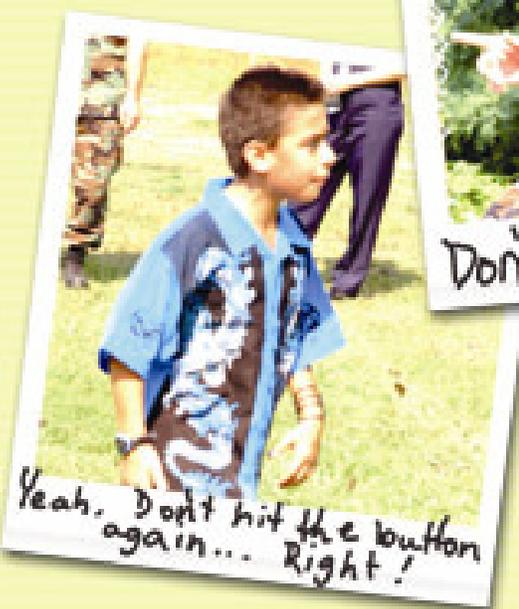
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Wow That's cold



Don't touch that Button



Yeah. Don't hit the button again... Right!



Oh. Wet Suit not Dress Suit.



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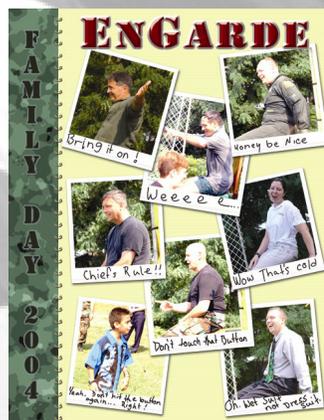
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About The Cover

Hancock Field Family Appreciation Day 2004 was a wonderful success. The cover is showing pictures of members and their families enjoying themselves.

Vision Statement

Our Vision is a world class fighter wing comprised of diverse individuals powered to meet all challenges, and win. We accept nothing less.

Mission Statement

Provide combat ready personnel, aircraft, and equipment prepared for world wide deployment. To deter or attack and destroy enemy surface and airborne forces in support of joint operations; and to support civil authorities at the direction of the governor.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Although you are reading this article sometime the first week of November, due to the late date of the October UTA and the lead-time required for the printer, I am writing it on the eve of the first Presidential debate. It never ceases to amaze me how much happens in very short order around Hancock Field. By the time you read this, the 174FW will have deployed and returned (110) personnel, (36) tons of equipment and (8) F-16's to Nellis AFB, NV in support of an Air Warrior Exercise. An appropriate segue to the November Phase I ORE.

The November UTA is the dress rehearsal for the January ACC/IG Phase I ORI. We will finally energize the full mobility machine, moving 400 people, 200 short tons of cargo and generating 12 primary aircraft for the national deployment. The EET will make this ORE look and feel just like the January ORI (minus the wind chill!). I will also tell you, this is a dress rehearsal and an exercise, there will be some learning and stumbles, but that's O.K. We will identify and fix them, for the next one is the keeper.

Two thoughts about the Phase I Inspection. First, the Phase I deployment inspection is a constant; unlike the Phase II, we have complete control on our pacing and results. There will be very few EET inputs or surprises. Solid processes accomplished in compliance with and done safely are the keystones

to success, but it starts with our own personal readiness. Regardless of your role in the inspection, whether you are a deployer or not - in an instant, you could be. All of us must be ready to go, (medical requirements completed, trained and paperwork in order). Secondly, first impressions and a can-do, positive attitude will set the tone and carry the momentum to success.

Each of us has an important role to play in achieving the "Outstanding" grade that is our goal. We have 400 folks shipping out, and 600 of us supporting the process to get it done. You have trained very hard preparing for this extended UTA over the last 6 months; we are ready.

In closing, in the 30 days since I wrote this article, the county will have witnessed three Presidential debates and had a Presidential election. Two very visible elements of the many freedoms we enjoy. Each of us has sworn an oath to support and defend these freedoms, and to serve when called upon. We are soon entering an AEF cycle of responsibility and are just a phone call away. If called upon tomorrow, ARE YOU READY?



Colonel Anthony Basile
174 FW Commander

MOTIVATION

By Chief Master Sgt. Mark Atkinson, 174th FW, Command Chief



People are motivated by a variety of methods. Motivation is the fuel that drives us to the accomplishment of our mission. The single most important aspect of our positions is *Mission Accomplishment*. Motivational techniques range from job fulfillment, a pat on the back, to Awards and Decorations.

Preparing our folks to accomplish their specific tasks is one of the most important duties that we have. Have you ever been assigned a task, and you have not been properly prepared to get it done? That can be very frustrating. We should insure that our Airman are prepared to succeed, not fail. As good leaders it is incumbent that we follow through on this. How do you feel when you fail? There's no job satisfaction when that happens. Want to keep working? Doubtful! How do you feel when you've "nailed" a task. Pretty darn good! You feel like doing more, and that is the atmosphere we must maintain at the 174th to enhance job fulfillment.

The simple gesture of acknowledging that an employee has accomplished a task in a safe, reliable, and timely manner can go a long way. Nice Job! People like to receive immediate

positive feedback. Not only do they know they have done it right, they feel good about themselves, and that works toward mission accomplishment.

One of the most accessible and visual forms of recognition are Awards and Decorations. Decorations range from the Air Force Achievement Medal to the Medal of Honor. Awards are given by AF/ANG for a specific reason such as an Air Force Reserve Medal in Air Force Longevity Service Award. Detailed information may be found in AFI 36-2803. An even better source of information is the Awards and Decorations guide put out by our Military Personnel Flight. There are also local programs. The Airman of the Quarter, Airman of the Year, FOD Fighter of the Quarter and Safety Person of the Year are some additional programs that are available. These are great source's to utilize for formally recognizing our outstanding Airman for the job that they do.

Job Satisfaction, Communicating a Job Well Done and Awards and Decorations will go along way to *Motivate* the outstanding Men and Women of the 174th Fighter Wing.





Chaplain's Corner

By Lt Col Timothy Bejian, 174FW, Chaplain



Greetings From Your Chaplain

I was just reading the ingredients on the back of a squeeze bottle of hand lotion. I've been known to do stranger things, but that's for another article. Anyway, back to the hand lotion. Now, I can't say this with absolute 100% confidence, but I have a sneaking suspicion that all hand lotions are pretty much the same, especially when it comes to the first and largest ingredient. Which happens to be, ya you guessed it, water. But there is more. I smell a conspiracy here!!

As I kept reading the ingredients the second largest ingredient is alcohol followed by all kinds of greasy smelly stuff. Well, now I know how hand lotion (moisturizing cream) works. Here is the conspiracy. Your hands are dry, so you squeeze a big glob of lotion on 'em and smear it all around, wondering if it will ever get non-sticky. Then the alcohol kicks in and dries up the water, which leaves your hands dry again buy now they feel greasy, which of course is irritating, unless you're eating fried chicken. The plot thickens—no pun intended. So what do you do? Probably the same thing I do, I wash my hands and wonder

why I put that junk on in the first place. So now your hands are wet again. I have a suggestion. Save your money, don't buy hand lotion and wash your hands more often.

This is a typical example of male logic and if you don't agree with me don't waste your time trying to get me to see it some other way. You will just end up getting frustrated and that leads to dried out hands from clenching your fists too much. Which leads me to the point of my message. God really does have a perfect plan for our lives, but not to the degree that everything is spelled out and you don't have any choices. His plan is to conform us to the image of His Son (Romans 8:29). But being human—I'm speaking about you and me—we often take a simple plan and put all kinds of ingredients into it that in the end get washed down the drain because they only glob things up. Now, if you want to know what God's plan for your life is, all you need to do is read your Bible and talk to God. It's that simple.

May the Lord watch over you and yours,
Chaplain Tim



MyPay, W-2s for 2004, Travel Vouchers, and TSP Information

By Maj. Charles Hutson, 174 FW, Comptroller

There are several enhancements to MyPay that I would like to tell you about. The MyPay website is <http://mypay.dfas.mil/>.

First and foremost, you will now see a "Personal Settings" option on MyPay which:

1. Allows you to change your PIN on the spot.
2. Allows you to create a restricted-access PIN for anyone you may want to have view-only access to your pay information. This is a great feature for deploying members.
3. Allows you to identify your e-mail address (primary and alternate). Eventually your e-mail information will be used to update you when pay information is available.

Anyone can request to have a MyPay personal identification number (PIN) mailed to their home address by going to the website and clicking on "How do I get a new PIN". Additionally, the finance office now has the ability to grant deploying members a PIN, if they don't already have one.

Leave and Earnings Statements (LES): Effective in FY05 permanent AGR members will no longer receive LES by mail. Their only source of LES information will be MyPay. All other members will continue to receive LES by mail unless they elect not to receive them by mail.

W-2s for 2004:

All military members with a MyPay account will receive their 2004 W-2 electronically through MyPay, unless they elect to receive a hard-copy W-2. This election is made directly on the MyPay website.

Civilian members will receive a hard-copy W-2 unless they elect to only receive an electronic copy via MyPay. During 1 December to 31 January, no changes to the "Turn On/Off Card Copy W-2" will be processed on the MyPay website.

Travel Voucher Advice of Payment: Travel statements are e-mailed to your on-base e-mail account. Everyone can connect to their on-base account from off-base, by using the instructions available at Y:\Procedures_and_checklists\Extranet.doc.

TSP Information: Some folks don't realize it, but your TSP account is not managed through MyPay. MyPay is where you initiate TSP contributions and adjust your contribution amounts (during Open Season, 15 October –31 December). www.tsp.gov is the website to access your civilian and military TSP accounts and modify your investment distributions once your TSP account is active.

And by the way, to change your TSP address for the military TSP, you change it via MyPay. For the civilian TSP, you change your address by contacting to TSgt Savoie in the Military Personnel Flight.

Eagle Eyes Part IV

By 2d LT Tracy L. Schroeder, 174th FW, Security Forces Operations and Antiterrorism Officer



After the 2001 terrorist attacks the Air Force initiated a new program called Eagle Eyes. This program is executed by AFOSI, but is extensively supported by security forces. The program is essentially a large “neighborhood watch” program that enlists the eyes and ears of base personnel and the community in the war on terror by educating people on what to recognize as potential terrorist-planning activity. In our education efforts, this is part four in a four part series of articles focusing on the activities for which everyone should be on the lookout. Last month’s focus was on Suspicious persons. This month’s focus is on Dry Runs and Deploying Assets.

Dry Runs: Putting people into position and moving them around according to their plan without actually committing the terrorist act. This is especially true when planning a kidnapping, but it can also pertain to bombings. An element of this activity could also include mapping out routes and determining the timing

of traffic lights and flow.

Deploying Assets: People and supplies getting into position to commit the act. This is a person’s last chance to alert authorities before the terrorist act occurs.

Time and time again, I hear individuals complain about the warnings put out by the FBI when the warnings don’t result in actual terrorist activity. Consider the fact that the warning and resulting increase in awareness and security is possibly the very thing that prevented the terrorist act.

Suspicious activities can be reported by anyone at any time to Security Forces at extension 199 or 1-800-982-3696. This concludes the four part series on the Eagle Eyes program. More information can be found in AFMAN 31-201V3.

New Family Readiness Coordinator

By Terri Scanlin, 174 FW, Family Readiness Coordinator



Greetings! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself (or should I say re-introduce myself). Effective November 8th, I will be working in the Family Support Office as the new Family Readiness Coordinator. After serving in the 174th Military Personnel Flight for over nineteen years, I have had the pleasure to work closely with many of our members and their families. I have worked with deploying members as a member of the Personnel Support for Contingency Operations (PERSCO) Team and I too have been deployed. I joined the unit when my children were three, five and seven years old. They are now twenty-two, twenty-four and twenty-six years old and they have experienced deployments of their father, mother and stepfather. I have been on both sides of the fence, so to speak, and am anxiously looking forward to bringing my experience into this new venture.

The duties of the Family Readiness Coordinator are to enhance the readiness of our military members by supporting

families throughout all stages of deployments, mobilizations, separations, local or national emergencies/disasters, and evacuations. Some of the other duties include unit activities, family involvement, information, and referrals. This program has grown by leaps and bounds since it’s inception and there is a lot of catching up to do. The office will also be relocated in the very near future. After settling in and organizing the new office, I will be reaching out to you for volunteer participation in our Family Support Group. This group will reach out and support other families, which will strengthen the overall readiness of our military members and their families.

In the next issue of the Engarde, I will provide the new location and phone number of the Family Support Office. In the meantime, you can call 1-315-454-6577. I look forward to working with you in my new capacity!

WIMSA

By Master Sgt. Heidi A. Grosser, 174th FW, Recruiter

WIMSA stands for, “Women in Military Service for America”. The guest speaker at our 5th Annual Wing Dining Out was BG Wilma L. Vaught, USAF (Ret.). Below is part of her letter that can be found on the website for the Women’s Memorial.

“...The Women's Memorial is a unique, living memorial honoring all military women - past, present and future - and is the only major national memorial honoring women who have served in our nation's defense during all eras and in all services. Work on the Memorial was in progress for about 11 years and it was dedicated October 18, 1997. Some 200,000 people visit the Memorial annually. We hope you'll visit, too, when you're in Washington, DC.” *Brigadier General Wilma L. Vaught, USAF (Ret.) President, Women's Memorial Foundation*

Brig. Gen. Vaught asked me to disseminate this information in hopes to get more members registered in the Women’s Memorial. Below is information from the website on how to register. To check and see if you or someone else is registered with the Memorial, please contact our Registration Department at 703-533-1155, 800-222-2294 or via e-mail at regdept@womensmemorial.org regdeptwomensmemorial.org.

Join the Ranks! Learn how your story can become part of the legacy of women's military service. Visit our interactive map to read the stories and see the photos of some of your fellow servicewomen. Uncover "Her" story now.



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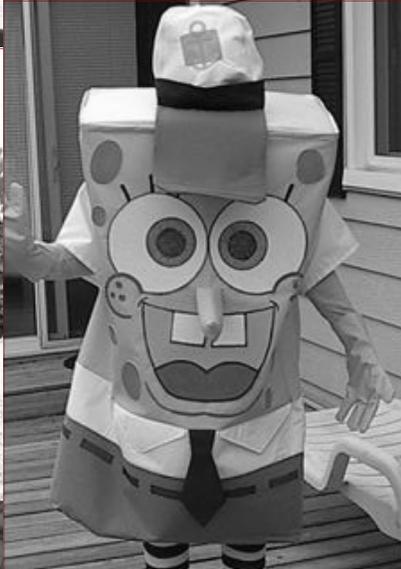
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Hancock Field Family Appreciation Day 2004 was a tremendous success. I hope all of our members and their families had the opportunity to take advantage of the many activities offered, great food and the Fort Drum Commissary Truckload Sale. Many people worked very hard to pull family day together and I thank them all. In particular I would like to thank the men and women of Hancock Field who brought their families and their sense of humor! See





Guardsmen, Aircraft Wow South African Crowd

By Staf Sgt. John Gassler, New York Air National Guard, Public Affairs

They were daunted by the size of the C-5 Galaxy transport and KC-135 Stratotanker, and mesmerized by the sleek, bold designs of the HH-60G Pave Hawk helicopter and F-16 Fighting Falcon.

So it was easy for crowds of children and military enthusiasts to swarm to New York Air National Guardsmen showcasing their aircraft for the first time at the South African Aerospace Exhibition at Waterkloof Air Force Base here Sept. 25.

"People at the air show couldn't get enough of our aircraft, aircrews or maintainers, and we couldn't get enough of them," said Maj. Jody Ankabrandt, a New York Air National Guard public affairs officer. "Words can't express how much we enjoyed being here in Pretoria, representing the Air Force, New York and the Air National Guard. It was a cultural learning experience we'll never forget."

South of the equator and some 7,800 miles from home, four U.S. aircraft and their crews sat among an assortment of fighter jets and cargo planes from around the world. Biplanes performed aerial acrobatics. Parachutists jumped from the sky and hovered to the ground waving South African flags. For New Yorkers and South Africans alike, the event was a memorable experience.

"The minute we arrived, I was overwhelmed by the support and hospitality of the South African people," said Maj. Tim Morgan, C-5 aircraft commander from the 105th Airlift Wing in Newburgh, N.Y. "At the air show, everyone asked us questions about our jobs and the C-5. A number of people requested autographs on T-shirts and hats, or wanted us to take pictures with them by the aircraft."

From a South African point of view, Monty Mashu from

Centurion Lake offered his perspective.

"Everyone from New York at the air show made me feel welcome," he said. "When I had questions, they were answered with kindness and professionalism. Even my son, Habbitt, 20, who came with me now wants to be a fighter pilot. I told him to keep studying his math, then maybe he can fly a plane."

The air show was open to the public Sept. 24 and 25 and attracted more than 200,000 spectators. Everyone from the oldest aviation aficionado to the youngest toddler could not spend enough time with, or snap enough pictures of, the 40-plus aircrew members and maintainers from New York.

"I spoke to so many people while giving walk-around tours of our F-16 that I nearly lost my voice," said Maj. Elmer Lunderman, an F-16 instructor pilot from the 174th Fighter Wing in Syracuse, N.Y. "But talking to the kids and seeing their smiles was worth it. I think as a state, we made a great impression, and hopefully we'll be back."

New York's representation at the South African aerospace exhibition was made possible through the State Partnership Program, a National Guard initiative that aligns American states with countries around the world. The program encourages the development of economic, political and military ties between U.S. states and partner nations.

"The New York National Guard is deeply committed to its relationship with South Africa," said Maj. Richard Sloma, New York State Partnership Program coordinator. "It's an opportunity for our Airmen to participate in exciting events, share cultural experiences and interact with their South African national defense colleagues. It's our intention to maintain a robust program of bilateral visits in the future."



Family Day Survey

Please tell us about yourself:

- ▶ Male Female
- ▶ Marital Status: Single Married
- ▶ Age: Under 21 21-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 over 60
- ▶ Number of children you brought to Family Day:
None 1 2 3 4 over 4
- ▶ Age group(s) of children brought to Family Day (Circle all that apply): Infants Preschool Grade school Jr. High High School
- ▶ Other guests you brought to Family Day were:
Friends Parents Siblings Other relatives
- ▶ How long have you been assigned to Hancock Field?
1-3 yrs 4-6 yrs 7-10 yrs 11-15 yrs 16-20 yrs over 20
- ▶ How often do you read the EnGarde?
Never Occasionally Every month
- ▶ How did you receive your Family Day Program?
From Squadron From EnGarde At Family Day Never had one
Other: _____

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- ▶ Please rate the Family Day Program: Very informative
Informative Too much info Not enough Info
 - ▶ How long did you stay at the Family Day?
Less than 1 hr 1-2 hours 2-3 hours 3-4 hours

Please rate the following items using the scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the best. Rate each item on location, enjoyment, and quality. If you did not participate in or watch the activity, select N/A. Please feel free to comment on each item in the space below that item.

Basketball Free Throw	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Music Trivia Game	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Tug O' War	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Relay Races For Children	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Horse Drawn Wagon Rides	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Humvee Rides	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Sponge Bob	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Dunk Tank	N/A 1 2 3 4 5

Combat Arms Demonstration	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Raffles	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Silent Auction	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Ice Cream Treats	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Parking/Access to Base	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Chapter 50 Booth	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Veterans Affairs Representative	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Wellness Booth	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Readjustment Counseling Representative	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Commissary Sale	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Lunch	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Beverages	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Seating	N/A 1 2 3 4 5
Porta Johns/Wash Stations	N/A 1 2 3 4 5

▶ If you would like to organize or volunteer for any of the above items, please provide your name and number

Name: _____

Daytime phone: _____

▶ We welcome additional comments and suggestions: _____

Name (optional): _____

Squadron (optional): _____

**Please return survey to: 174FW/PAO,
6001 E. Molloy Road, Syracuse NY 13211-7099.**

New ANG 90-Day Scheduling Policy for UTAs

By Maj. Charles Hutson, 174 FW, Comptroller

Some of you may remember back several years ago when UTAs could only be made up within the quarter they were missed. That policy has re-surfaced, but with a slight twist. The ANG Bureau issued this policy in late FY04.

"Wing commanders may authorize their members the opportunity to make up missed UTAs for members who have missed UTAs for any reasons (mobilization, attending formal schools, family reasons, etc.). The make up of UTAs are limited to those UTAs that were missed during the 90 days immediately prior to the member's return from mobilization, school, etc. Up to 16 UTA periods may be performed in one month. No more than 24 UTAs may be performed in one quarter of a fiscal year."

Further guidance states: "Members performing rescheduled UTA (RUTA) or split UTA (SUTA) must be within 90 days

of the regularly scheduled UTA." Naturally, the duty must still be performed within the Fiscal Year of the scheduled UTA.

This means that members are no longer allowed to simply perform all 48 UTA periods anytime within the Fiscal Year, as has been the regulation for the past several years. The scheduling policy applies to what we all know as RUTA / BUTA / SUTA. The 90-day scheduling policy is in effect for FY05.

Equivalent Training Periods (EQTs) without pay can still be authorized and performed for points only within the member's anniversary year.

If you have any questions, please see your unit First Sergeant.



Section Spotlight

THE 174TH FIGHTER WING

Cordially invites you to...

THE BARBARA ARONSON LUNCHEON

To be held at the 174th Fighter Wing Dining Hall
Wednesday, November 24th, 2004
12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. (doors open at 11:30 a.m.)

Guest Speaker

Mr. James A. Kadamus

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Please bring a friend

For more information contact SrA. Paulette Gardnerat

(800) 883-4484

New Dental Requirements

By Lt. Col. Wenzell E. Carter, 174th Wing, Dental Surgeon

If You

- » Have seen your dentist within the last 6 months
- » Are not a flyer
- » Have had a dental exam within the last 11 months

Complete a DD Form 2813 and return it to the Medical Group to fulfill the dental exam requirement!! You **DO NOT** have to be seen by the Dental Staff!!

If You

- » Do not have a civilian dentist, then the question is WHY?

The intent of the DoD Annual Dental Exam Policy is to eliminate the chance that military personnel will deploy with severe dental problems. The only way to avoid severe dental problems is to visit your dentist, at least on an annual basis, to address issues as they arise. The Dental Staff in the Medical Group can only identify problems we can't treat them. EVERYONE has at least one basic dental problem that needs to be addressed on an annual basis and that is the reason to see a hygienist for a cleaning (dental prophylaxis). Doing so will be your opportunity to have your DD Form 2813 completed by your dentist and comply with DoD medical requirements.

YOUR JOB IS SECURE!

*Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve 1-800-336-4590 * www.esgr.org*

As a uniformed service member, you have rights under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), Title 38, Chapter 43, United States Code.

Your Rights:

- ✓ Military leave of absence (up to five years of voluntary service)
- ✓ Prompt reinstatement back into your job
- ✓ Accumulation of seniority, including pension plan benefits
- ✓ Reinstatement of health insurance, regardless of pre-existing conditions
- ✓ Training or retraining of job skills, including accommodations for disabled
- ✓ Protection against discrimination

Your Responsibilities:

- ✓ Before Reporting for Duty: Provide prior notice to employer (preferably in writing)
- ✓ While Performing Duty: Serve under honorable conditions
- ✓ After Release from Duty: Return to work in a timely manner

Reemployment Timetable:

- ✓ Less than 31 days of service-Report next work day after safe travel home and 8 hours of rest
- ✓ 31-180 days of service-Apply for reinstatement within 14 days of release from active duty
- ✓ Over 180 days of service-Apply for reinstatement within 90 days of release from active duty

How to Resolve an Employment Issue:

- ✓ Inform your unit/military chain of command
- ✓ Contact ESGR (1-800-336-4590, ncesgr-ombud@osd.mil or www.esgr.org)
- ✓ If not resolved, contact the Department of Labor (1-866-4-usa-dol or www.dol.gov)
- ✓ May consult a private attorney (at own expense, precludes ESGR assistance)

How to Recognize a Supportive Employer:

- ✓ Nominate them for an award from ESGR
- ✓ Go to the ESGR web site at; www.esgr.org
- ✓ Click on 'Military Members' and then 'Patriot Award'
- ✓ Fill out and submit the Patriot Award nomination form right on line!

Other Helpful Web Sites:

- ✓ www.tricare.osd.mil/reserve, information on TRICARE coverage
- ✓ www.sba.gov/vets, information for small business owners
- ✓ www.soc.aascu.org, information for college students
- ✓ www.usmilitary.about.com/od/sscra, Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA)
- ✓ www.militaryonesource.com, on-line counseling, information and resources

For more information please contact your Hancock Field ESGR representative Lt Col Maryjo Timpano at 454-6139 or <mailto:maryjo.timpano@nysyra.af.mil>

With all the above sentiments said, I'd like to extend the warmest of Thanksgiving thoughts and wishes from your Board of Directors to all of our wonderful Alumni friends and family. We hope that these wishes find our families in the wake of the recent hurricanes, safe and sound. Please know that we are here to help in any way we can.

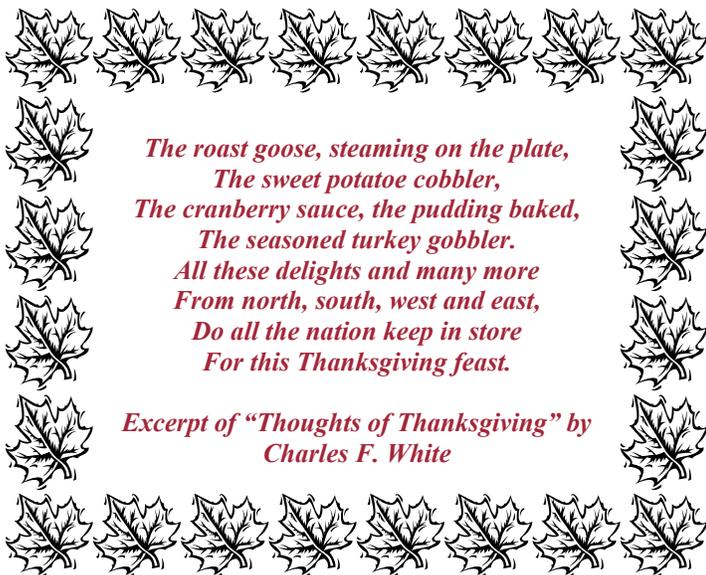
Nomination and Election Results:

As mentioned in last month's article, nomination and election of new officers and Board members will have taken place in October. However, I will not be able to report the results until the December issue of the EnGarde. Due to the short turn around between the October and November UTA's the news has to be submitted very early. We will have the full breakdown for the December issue.

Thanksgiving Dinner:

Plans are finalized for the Thanksgiving Dinner on November 18th at the American Legion, Cicero. We will have a DJ that night also. It was voted on to donate the toys that we will be collecting that night, to the Chaplain's office at Ft Drum. He has a list of needy families, and what better way to interface with Santa than military to military! So remember, please bring an unwrapped gift with you that night. There will be an area near the ticket table to deposit them. We are hoping to have the 174FW Honor Guard present the colors that night. We will also have a POW/MIA table arranged. DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS is November 6th – so please send in your reservation form right away. We will have the turkeys to raffle, the 50/50 and one other item to be determined.

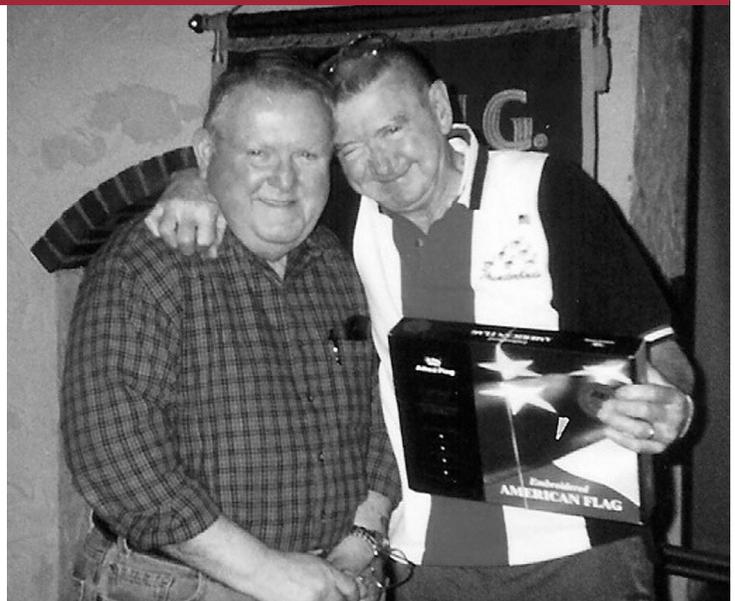
CALLING NEW MEMBERS-CALLING NEW MEMBERS:



*The roast goose, steaming on the plate,
The sweet potatoe cobbler,
The cranberry sauce, the pudding baked,
The seasoned turkey gobbler.
All these delights and many more
From north, south, west and east,
Do all the nation keep in store
For this Thanksgiving feast.*

*Excerpt of "Thoughts of Thanksgiving" by
Charles F. White*

Do you know someone who has been a member of the 174FW, former civilian employee of the 174FW, former air advisor of the 174FW, or former member of other Organizations that have preceded the 174FW since the organization of this Unit on 10/28/47? That's the pre-requisite for becoming a Regular Member. Do you know someone who is an Active member of the 174FW who has over 20 years of military service. This is the pre-requisite for being an Associate Member. If so...we'd love to have you join us



Jim Shanahan, Vice Pres., presented Jim Monroe, outgoing President, with flag flown over capital

in this great Association. We are 643 strong active members with 123 spousal members on record. I know there are many of our retirees that have not thought about joining and this would be a perfect time!!! Your membership as well as donations, help keep our beautiful Memorial Park in good working order, it helps fund some of the activities we have, and when needed it can be used for charitable activities. One of our purposes is to further the objective of the New York Air National Guard and to unite the members in one group. Contact me at 174FW/Alumni Assn, 6001 E. Molloy Rd, Mattydale, NY 13211; call me at (315) 598-3999; or email me at jmcmama1@twncny.rr.com; or fax me at (315)598-1077 and I'll send you an application. Remember, this would be a nice gift for someone also.

Memorial Fund

Chaplain Whiting extends his thanks and that of our organization to all who have donated to the Memorial Fund. Your generous donations covered the cost of the engraving of twenty (20) names on our memorial stones for this years Memorial service.

Trivia & News:

Patricia Normanly was the winner of our 50/50 raffle. Thanks Pat for your donation to the Memorial Fund.

Charlie and Jackie Butterfield celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently. Congratulations!!!!

Meeting:Next

Next meeting will be January 20th, 2005. No meeting in December. There will be no En Garde in January also – so mark the date down now. There will be one in December so I'll remind you again.

Annual Children's Christmas Party

(For all children up to age 12. Due to limited space, there will be a limit of 2 adults per family to join in the celebration. Please do not bring children over 12. Thank you!)

Sunday, December 12, 2004, 2 to 4 P.M., 174th FW Dining Hall

Deadline : December 5th (Sorry...no late sign-ups will be accepted.)

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M F

Member's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Cost: \$7.50 per child Amount Enclosed: _____ Method of Payment: ___ Cash ___ Check

Make check payable to: MWR Fund

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