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ASK THE COMMANDER **ELECTRONIC SUGGESTION BOX**

One person cannot do it alone, so I have established an Electronic Suggestion Box to get ideas directly from you that will help our wing grow. *How do I use the Electronic Suggestion Box?* Simply go to the Wings Share-Point site: <https://eis.ang.af.mil/org/110AW>. On the 110 AW page go to "Ask the Commander" under the Discussions section. Click [Add a discussion](#). Add a subject. Add your suggestion in the Body. *Is this Anonymous?* Yes, no name is tied to the suggestions unless you put your name in the body. The only people that can see the suggestions are the person submitting the suggestion and the Wing Commander. *(For an electronic copy pdf to walk you through go online under UTA updates.)*

COMMANDER

110TH AIRLIFT WING COMMANDER
By Colonel Ronald W. Wilson

Members of the 110th, welcome to November Drill.

In 1918, the eleventh hour or the eleventh day of the eleventh month marked the beginning of armistice between the Allied nations and Germany that would lead to an end of, "the war to end all wars." What began on November 11, 1919 as Armistice Day—an opportunity to honor the heroes who courageously made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the country—has become a national holiday in which we remember not only the fallen, but also pay tribute to our brothers and sisters-in arms who continue the fight for our nation's freedom. In other words, Veterans Day is your day.

For those of us in uniform, Veterans Day is an opportunity to take a step back, reflect, and remember why we took the oath in the first place. We all knew that serving would come at a cost. Sacrifices would have to be made; both of ourselves and our families. Commitments would be limited to the extent that we are ready to join the fight at a

moments notice. Stress and uncertainty would become the rule and not exception. But we made the decision to pay this price because we knew it is the right thing to do. It is our duty. The exceptional person is one who is willing to give everything for the betterment of the whole; a trait that each and every one of you exemplifies when you put on the uniform. Keep this in mind as we work through the various challenges we will meet in the coming months and years.

One challenge we are facing today is the transition to our brand new RPA mission. So far, all of the pieces and parts are moving forward, and I am very proud to report that our first fully-trained MQ-9 pilot will be returning to Battle Creek very soon, with nine more graduating before Christmas. Additionally, our first two sensor operators have graduated from BSOC and are going to be heading off to Initial Qualification Training in the coming weeks. The design phase of new buildings has begun, with plans in the works to start the various relocations to improve efficiencies and functionality during the transition. Admittedly, we are still far from assuming 24/7/365 combat command and control here in Battle Creek, but we are moving closer to that goal every single day. It may not feel that way for those of you caught in the holding pattern of slogging through training materials while waiting for a school date—but we are. As

such, I want to remind you that we need to stay focused on the mission. Like the top-notch work that has gone into making the 217th AOG best in the Guard, I expect the MQ-9 mission to be stood up the same way. We have proven time and again that the 110th is primed and ready to take on any fight in all aspects of global air, space and cyberspace operations.

And finally, I would be remiss if I did not once again offer my appreciation for those of you who attended the track dedication ceremony last Friday, in which Retired Wing Commander, Col. Roger Seidel, was honored for his steadfast leadership and potent support of the men and women of the 110th Airlift Wing. Although it pales in comparison to all he has given to the Wing, dedicating the track to Col. Seidel was a great way to thank him for a job well done.

Be safe and have a great drill.

A FIRST SERGEANT'S PERSPECTIVE

110TH AIRLIFT WING COMMAND POST
Senior Master Sgt. Jeffery Cummings

I have heard "Don't volunteer for anything" more times throughout my military career than I can count. After all, it's better to avoid extra hassles and headaches. Why would any rational person go out of their way to get MORE work? Aren't we all busy enough already? The smart thing to do is to be quiet, stay out of sight and keep under the radar. Why would you want to draw attention and make yourself a target for the leadership?

Apparently, this is a lesson I have never learned. For the last 27 years I have repeatedly agreed to do extra projects, assignments, additional duties or TDYs. Quite often this starts with me saying "Sure, I would be happy to (insert task here)..." After a few days or weeks, this is often followed by "What on earth did I get myself into?" That eventually becomes "Isn't there some way I can get myself out of this?" and "Why do I keep putting myself into these situations?" However, as I kept persevering and worked my way through it, the sentiment eventually would change to become "I am SO GLAD that I had that opportunity!"

Why am I writing from "A First Sergeant's Perspective" when I am not a First Sergeant? For much of this year I have been serving as the "Acting" First Sergeant for my Squadron. I was asked last winter if I could fill in for 2-3 months, but those few months eventually turned into six. This was in addition to my normal duties, not in place of them. Once again, there were many times that I believed that this was the most stupid thing I had ever agreed to. I truly thought I would lose my mind at times. Instead, I managed to survive, doing a decent job along the way. In the process, I had the opportunity to serve my unit and fellow Airmen in a new way. I learned about a career field that is arguably one of the most important to the enlisted structure. Once again, the boundaries and limitations of what I thought I could handle were stretched further than I thought they could extend.

True learning and growth does not happen inside of our comfort zone. It is only when we are in uncomfortable situations and challenge ourselves that are able to grow and change, both as a person and as an Airman. As for those folks who told me "Don't volunteer for anything," these are the ones who would complain that the Guard wasn't "fun" anymore. Often they left disgruntled because they were forced to retire sooner than they wanted or didn't achieve the rank that they thought they deserved. The truth is, when we live out the Core Values of "Service" and "Excellence," it can benefit us as much as it benefits those around us.

If you want your career to be defined by boredom, mediocrity and unfulfilled potential, then that advice is for you. Be quiet, stay in the shadows and don't volunteer for anything. On the other hand, if you want extra headaches, hassles and stress along with some experiences you wouldn't trade for anything, then step up. If you want to take your career to another level, then get out of your chair, get out of your comfort zone and VOLUNTEER for something! ■



DEADLINE LOOMS FOR DART MEMBER PARTICIPANTS

Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART)

110TH AIRLIFT WING, WING PLANS
Lt. Col. Edward Schmidt

In September, the Office of Emergency Management solicited for volunteers to help Michigan in times of crisis. The response was enough to build a solid team of overachievers. We have already had 80 out of 828 Air Wing members complete the DART survey. However, we believe there are still more Airmen who can aid us in our endeavor.

If you are an individual who has a strong urge to aid in times of crisis—now is the time to take action by joining the DART! How did you feel after the Boston bombings, the 2011 Battle Creek windstorm, or September 11, 2001? If you called your commander offering your assistance, then you are a likely candidate to become a part of this new capability. There are no guarantees we can utilize everyone who completes the DART survey, however, there are two guarantees we CAN offer. First, if you don't join the DART team at inception and complete the training in March, your next opportunity will not occur for another year. Second, you will likely NOT be utilized after the next crisis strikes our state or nation.

The next step we are taking is to answer questions that anyone may have. To do this we are setting up a tent on the (outside) south side of the Dining Facility (DFAC). It will be staffed throughout the day, both Saturday and Sunday of November's drill, during the core hours of 1000-1400. This will be your opportunity to ask any questions pertaining to the DART before we begin compiling a list of those interested in becoming team members. Please be advised that we will stop accepting surveys after the first of the year in order to solidify our rosters and begin training personnel in March 2014.

Family Readiness will be offering Disaster Preparedness information to all who stop by. They may also be offering First Aid kits (great kid stocking stuffers) provided by the Red Cross. Lastly, the "Girls Give Back" program within Valley Family Church will be making fresh homemade cookies for those who visit us. So, please stop by to get a FREE COOKIE!

If there weren't enough reasons to stop by our tent, we have one last reason: Our new Vice Wing Commander, Colonel Douglas Henry, will be test driving one of the base's latest acquisitions—a brand new Kubota Compact Track Loader. He has signed up for the DART and we will be familiarizing him with one of the many pieces of equipment the DART will utilize for its mission. He will be doing this at 1130 on Saturday, so either before or after your lunch, be sure to witness this as it may be quite entertaining!

If you cannot visit the DART tent on 2 or 3 November we have set up a DART organizational box to answer any questions you may have. The address is "110 CES/CEX DART" if you search the Global Address List. Or, if you prefer to speak to an individual, please call 580-3381, option 1.

Hope to see you there. ■

GRAND RAPIDS METRO HEALTH MARATHON RELAY

Two teams from the 110th Airlift Wing Communications flight participated in the 20th annual Grand Rapids Metro Health Marathon Relay on Sunday, October 20th, 2013 finishing with times of 4:16 and 4:35. Together the teams ran a total of 126.8 miles. (Pictured) Chief Master Sgt. Herb Ward, Staff Sgt. Laura Beach, Tech. Sgt. Matt Rodgers, Airman First Class Chris Simmons, 2nd Lt. Shawn Hatfield, Staff Sgt. Dale Cochran, Tech. Sgt. Dave Carter, Tech. Sgt. Travis Kowalski, Tech. Sgt. Paul Motycka, Senior Master Sgt. Joel Wilson, Staff Sgt. Mellissa Parrish, (Not Pictured) Staff Sgt. James Ferrall. (Photo courtesy 2nd Lt. Shawn Hatfield)

12TH ANNUAL ROAD HAWG CLASSIC

21 NOVEMBER 9, 2013 @ 0900

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Online Entry (www.greatlakeschampionship.com)

\$20 /person through 11-7-2013 (Adult), \$15 /person through 11-7-2013 (Student, age 18 and under)

Mail in Entry

\$20 /person through 11-8-2013 (Adult), \$15 /person through 11-8-2013 (Student, age 18 and under)

Day of Race the registration fees will be \$25

Course

Run at the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base and experience a view that not many people get to see. This is a closed course, so no traffic. Run down two taxi-ways that both Military and Civilian Aircraft taxi on every day. It is a mostly paved challenging course with a bridge that adds a hill for the 10K runners that joins the east and west property.

Age Groups

10 years and under, 11-20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 61-70, 71-80, 81 & over

Make checks payable to Road Hawg Classic. Registration on the day for the race is 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Race will commence at 9:00 a.m.

UTA CHILDCARE

Attention 110 AW military members:

Need childcare during UTA? 12 Slots available for childcare on Saturday & Sunday of UTA 0600-1800.

Requirements: Must be attending UTA; Officer or Enlisted children can participate.

Children's age must be between 6 weeks-12 years.

Child must be immunized according to American Academy of Pediatrics.

Currently, completely free. Call MSgt Tammy Zerafa with questions. 269-969-3565

STRONG BONDS FOR SINGLES

The chapel staff is considering doing a Strong Bonds Event for singles. If you would be interested in attending, please email SMSgt Jeanne LaHaie or SSgt Slocum or call us in the chapel office at 3371. Your response doesn't commit you to anything, but it will help us in our planning process.

Prayer Breakfast

The chapel staff has moved its annual prayer breakfast to February 2014 UTA.

FOOD FORT CHALLENGE November 1st -December 9th

Help the 110th make the Holidays Brighter!

The CGOC is putting together a canned food drive participating with the South Central Michigan Food Banks Food Fort Challenge which kicks off November 1, 2013. Thirty-three local companies from the Ft. Custer industrial park are participating. The food collected is distributed to local families in need. The most needed items are: Canned Fruit, Hearty Soups, Canned Tuna, Spaghetti, Beef Stew, Peanut Butter. There will be donation bins at key areas around the base such as the DFAC and BX. Please contact 2nd Lt. Shawn Hatfield ext. 3498 for more information.

2013 Veteran's Day Free Meals and Discounts

Go online to www.110aw.ang.af.mil for complete list

- Proof of Military Service. First, most companies require some form of military ID – including a U.S. Uniform Services ID Card (active/reserve/retired), Current Leave and Earnings Statement (LES), Photograph in uniform, be wearing uniform (if your service permits), Veterans Organization Card (e.g., American Legion and VFW), DD214, discharge paperwork, or other form of identification. Other restaurants and companies may only require a photo of you in uniform, or go by the honor system.

- Participation. Second, always call ahead to verify locations, times, and participation.

DFAC

Saturday

The lunch menu for Saturday of November UTA will be a tailgate themed meal. We will be playing ESPN Game Day and a football game on the big screen during the lunch period. The menu will be tailgate inspired with menu items such as Brats, Hot Dogs, Burgers, Chicken Breasts, Chili, Nacho Bar, Salads etc. (or an MRE for the brave at heart). We will also be broadcasting the Michigan vs. Michigan State game at 1530 in the DFAC on the big screens. (You must have proper unit permission to attend the 1530 game experience) Services will also have Badminton and Flag Football available for use at 1430 (proper unit permission required) events will be held weather permitting.

Sunday

Breakfast will be served from 0730-0900. (No lunch meal will be served on Sunday) Non-pay members missing breakfast due to fitness testing will be able to sign for a MRE at Fit test location. Paying members will need to visit Services office to pick up MRE NLT 1000.

ONLINE LINKS

PROMOTIONS / RETIREMENTS

DFAC MENU

RETENTION OFFICE UPDATES

FAMILY PROGRAMS

UTA TRAINING SCHEDULE

NON-SANCTIONED MYPAY APPS

110TH AIRLIFT WING COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT

10/22/2013 - SHEPPARD AIR FORCE BASE, Texas -- The Department of the Army Computer Crime Investigation Unit has issued a Cyber Crime Alert Notice about the use of any third-party mobile applications to access the Department Finance and Accounting Services myPay system.

The third-party mobile apps are not sponsored by the Department of Defense or the U.S. government. The "MyPay DFAS LES" is a free app on the Google Play app store that gives users the ability to control their pay after entering their myPay login information. From this app, a user can update security questions, reset passwords and review account information. Between 10,000 and 15,000 members have already downloaded this program and other related apps to their mobile device.

Use of these types of non-sanctioned apps can compromise myPay accounts and lead to loss of personal account information and theft of funds. Here are some general tips to remember when downloading apps to a mobile device:

- Before downloading, installing or using an app, take a moment to review the "About the Developer" section. This will help you get an idea about other apps that a specific developer has previously published. If available, visit the developer's website and assess its content for things like history and professional appearance.

- Apps that purport to allow access to military or government sites should only be installed if they are official apps sponsored by the military or other government agency.

- Peruse the user ratings and reviews to try to get a sense from previous customers as to the truth of

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the application's claim. Arguably, no app is completely perfect from the perspective of all users, but complaints about security concerns should quickly stand out from other relatively harmless issues.

- If you are still not sure and end up downloading an app, inspect your device's application permissions screen to determine what other applications or information will be accessed by the app. A video game, for example, is unlikely to have a legitimate need to access your contacts.

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110TH AIRLIFT WING HOSTS RIDER COACH TRAINING

110TH AIRLIFT WING Public Affairs
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The 110th Airlift Wing was selected to host the first Military Sportbike Rider Coach Training for the entire Air National Guard on September 19-20, 2013. The training course, funded by the National Guard Bureau, is the first instructor training course to be hosted on the base.

"This training provides the Rider Coach participants the opportunity to get qualified to teach the Military Sportbike Rider Course," said Senior Master Sgt. Michael Labruzzy, the 110th Airlift Wing Ground Safety Manager. "This also provides an opportunity for current military sportbike riders to receive advanced training."

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation has established rigorous guidelines in the selection of Rider Coach Trainers and Rider Coaches to learn and conduct the MSRC. In addition to the heightened guidelines, the MSF is developing quality assurance measures to track and monitor training results. The MSRC was developed in close collaboration with the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy motorcycle safety education and training safety centers. The course, completed on September 21, 2013, consisted of approximately 3 hours of classroom interactive lessons and approximately 4 hours of on-cycle range time.

"This course involves more advanced material designed for individuals who possess several years of riding experience," said Dennis Phillips, a 25-year Rider Coach instructor. Phillips, a Rider Coach Trainer since 2001, was the sole instructor for the MSRC in addition to one of the instructors for the MSRC. Phillips says students of the MSRC learn several skills drills such as proper cornering, swerving, and braking. Most riders choose to participate in the course in order to improve their comfort and confidence in their riding ability.

Phillips offers some advice to riders, "Perception is key. The sooner you are able to recognize a hazard out on the road the sooner you will be able to respond to that hazard."

The 110th Airlift Wing hopes to improve the skills of its military riders and minimize future accidents.

"Sport bikes are the greatest killer among military members," said Labruzzy.

The wing recently lost a member of the wing family. On June 9, 2013, Master Sgt. William "Billy" Madden was killed while on his motorcycle.

"We can't force our members not to ride their motorcycles," said Col. Ronald Wilson, 110th Airlift Wing Commander. "But through this course if we can save just one life then it was worthwhile."

WHAT WILL YOUR LEGACY BE?

110TH AIR OPERATIONS GROUP
Chief Master Sgt. Charles Halt

WHAT WILL YOUR LEGACY BE?

As you progress through your career, have you ever thought what type of legacy you would leave behind when your military career is over? Will it be something you can be proud of, or will coworkers say "he/she did their job, but never really made any real difference to the organization". I've discussed this topic with Airmen in my units over the years, and decided to submit it to the Jet Stream Journal. Setting others up for success:

When you leave an organization, you should have trained one or more individuals to replace you and your capabilities. We are one deep in many functions on base, and some functions can cease when some program owners/managers are not available. Are you known as a leader who has trained people that could step in and maintain continuity of your duties and responsibilities for your organization when you're gone?

BETTER OR BITTER:

We all face many challenges throughout our careers. Some of them like mission changes/force reductions can have very negative impacts on organizational attitudes and mission effectiveness. Will you be known as an individual that embraced changes and ensured the success of future missions and made things better, or will you be known as the bitter Airman with a negative attitude?

RECOGNIZING YOUR PEOPLE:

Your people should be recognized for their accomplishments. Over the years I have seen many AF/ANG exit interviews. One consistent item that came up as a reason for leaving organizations was lack of recognition. There are many avenues for us to recognize our Airmen in the Air National Guard. From a simple public thank you, a letter of recognition, or a State / Federal award. From the amount of outstanding work being done here at Battle Creek, you should have no problem justifying any of these types of recognition. Will your people know that their accomplishments are appreciated, and will they know how to recognize their subordinates after you're gone?

TAKING CARE OF YOUR PEOPLE:

Over the last few years we have had many rapid changes that have affected the 110AW and its personnel. I have seen many supervisors ensure that their people were kept aware of what was going on, and that they were provided the necessary resources and programs to be able to make the best of the challenges they were facing. Are you going to be known as one of these types of individuals, or one that left your Airmen to founder on their own?

COMMUNICATION:

As we all know, communication is critical to all of our missions here at Battle Creek. Fortunately for our Airmen these days, we have numerous ways to communicate like e-mail, cell phones, twitter, Face Book, etc... We can usually use these avenues at a moment's notice and get messages to our Airmen when necessary. This has enabled us to be much more effective in reacting to short notice taskings than we could in the past. Are you going to be known as a person that only communicated with other unit personnel on drill weekend, or the person that regularly stayed in touch and was aware of what was currently going on in their unit/section?

These are just a few things that may reflect in your legacy when you leave your current organization. While all of our legacies will be a little different, we all have an opportunity to leave a positive impact in our organizations that can last long after we're gone. What will your legacy reflect?