COUGAR TALES NEWSLETTER

COANG NEWS

Short notice news:

- The old GEN 1199CG Restricted Area Badges (RAB) will be shut off on March 7, 2022. All personnel who have not received the new controlled/restricted area badges will need to consult with their assigned Group Security Managers and start the process to obtain one ASAP. This will affect access into all controlled/restricted areas including building and room access across the Wing. It is extremely important to start the process now.
 - The POCs for the new badges are the following:
 - WGS: SSgt Lambert
 - MSG: TSgt Kolich & TSgt Turner
 - MXG: MSgt Stewart
 - OG: TSgt Ostrom

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COVID Protocol Update

- Based off the new Center for Disease Control guidelines and in accordance with the July 28, 2021 Deputy Secretary of Defense policy, effective immediately, the Garrison Commander has approved the following provisions for fully vaccinated personnel on Buckley SFB (who are at least two weeks beyond their final dose): Fully vaccinated individuals are no longer required to wear a mask indoors with the following caveats.
- For the following areas, mask wear will still be **MANDATED**
 - The Child Development Centers (CDCs) and the Youth Center
 - Medical buildings to include the Pharmacy and Clinic

No State Tuition Assistance for Summer 2022

- All State Tuition Assistance funds have been allocated for the current fiscal year. Consequently, there will be no Tuition Assistance awarded for Summer 2022.
- The next application period will be for the Fall semester 2022. Dates for the Fall 2022 application period will be posted sometime in June. Email notifications, containing the application dates, will also be sent before the fall application open date.
- For additional information please email the State Tuition Assistance Program Manager Joni Fernandez at <u>tuition@dmva.state.co.us</u>.
- o If you have additional questions please contact your Group Training Manager.

> 140th Color Guard Team!

The 140th Wing now has an official Color Guard team! The POC is MSgt David Brown. He can be reached at <u>david.brown.162@us.af.mil</u>, or 719 251-1247. Please, for the time being, send all requests to his inbox

The First Sergeants will be selling COANG T-Shirts to raise funds for our First Sergeant Council. We will be selling them at the entrance of the DFAC on Saturday and Sunday during lunch hours. We also plan on sending some to Greeley and Colorado Springs for them to sell as well. The price will be \$20 each and we will accept both cash and Venmo.

Jeans Days!

- On November 19th 2021 the Colorado National Guard will be hosting its first ever 1920's themed Colorado Military Ball! Live entertainment, a silent disco and even a selfie station are just some of the great things to be expected! In preparation for this event, one day a month we will be hosting a \$5 Jeans Day fundraiser, all proceeds raised from this will be used to help reduce ticket prices for the Military Ball!
- Jeans Day Dates are: March 25th, April 29th, May 25th, June 24th, July 29th, August 26th, September 30th, October 28th
- Payments can be made to CashApp \$COMilitaryBall2022 or Venmo CONG-BALL22

Save the Dates!

Senior Induction ceremony - 22 Oct 2022 https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=633085&k=046241097352

CONG News

- Colorado National Guard Biathlon Team places third at National Guard Championships <u>https://co.ng.mil/News/Archives/Article/2947604/colorado-national-guard-biathlon-</u>
- <u>team-places-third-at-national-guard-championsh/</u>
 Colorado Army National Guard commanding general passes responsibility to new leader following unprecedented command
 - <u>https://co.ng.mil/News/Archives/Article/2952929/colorado-army-national-guard-</u> commanding-general-passes-responsibility-to-new-le/

BUCKLEY SFB NEWS

Fitness Center Simulator Room

The Buckley Fitness Center is now taking reservations for our brand-new Sports Simulator Room! The Sim Room is available for patrons of the fitness center and can be reserved for 2-hour time blocks. Games include golf, basketball, baseball, football, hockey, cricket, rugby, lacrosse, soccer, and more!