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COUGARTALES NEWSLETTER





233rd Space Group celebrates first graduating class for new qualification course

By Master Sgt. Amanda Geiger, Staff Sgt. Chasity Lollis

The first official Signal Management System Mission Qualification Course, conducted Jan. 18 - March 25, 2022, for 36 training days, celebrated its first graduation ceremony from the 233rd Space Group, Detachment 1, Combat Training System.

The SMS makes up a portion of the Integrated AN/ TLQ-34 Communications Satellite Countermeasure Set.

Class SMS 22-1, comprised of members from the California Air National Guard and the 233rd SG, Colorado Air National Guard presented their certification brief to 233rd SG Deputy Commander U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Stephanie Figueroa as their final action. This demonstration displayed the hard work and knowledge gained on the weapons system.

The success of the course relied upon the instruction of U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. Greg Wagner, the primary offensive electronic warfare instructor, and U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Margery Errington, alternate instructor and primary evaluator. The course was also evaluated by U.S. Air Force Capt. Michael Lockette, chief of training, and Senior Master Sgt. Harry Mitchell, 233rd DET 1 senior enlisted leader

U.S. Air Force Capt. Nicholas Merz, Operations Officer, 233rd Space Group DET 1, provides his expert perspective on the value of the course.

- Q: How did the Combat Training System develop?
- A: The need for CTS was identified via a shortage of Offensive Space Electronic Warfare mission qualified personnel in the U.S. Space Force due to a heavily-constrained training pipeline. This backlog has been further exacerbated as the ANG solidifies its offensive and defensive space control missions. To relieve this excess of untrained, SEW personnel, approval was made at the general officer level between the Space Operations Center and National Guard Bureau Space Operations to establish an additional training pipeline. Additionally, there's a lack of sufficient training personnel and facility space at Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado Springs, where the majority of SEW mission qualification training occurs. The CTS at Greeley ANG Station, Greeley, provides a low-cost solution that utilizes the existing workforce, equipment and facilities to meet this demand.
- Q: How is this school important, not only for the 233rd, but for Active Duty as well?
- A: The 233rd SG DET 1 is essential, not only to the National Guard, but to Active Duty, and as a dedicated Offensive Space Control training source. DET 1 aids operational Electromagnetic Warfare Squadrons to meet their readiness requirements by providing mission-ready Space Electronic Warfare operators. Upon graduation, SEW operators are fully qualified in their weapon system and ready to deploy independent of any additional individual deployment requirements. The 233rd SG DET 1 is currently coordinating with the AD SEW training squadron to pick up other AD training requirements due to an enterprise-wide system upgrade. The 233rd DET 1 will be instrumental to AD and National Guard mobility readiness and a successful weapons system upgrade.
- Q: What is the significance of the ANG spear-heading a school like this?
- A: The ANG is uniquely qualified to spearhead a course such as this by offering weapon system experts and experience that only the Guard provides. National Guard personnel are generally not subject to continuous permanent change of station requirements that our AD counterparts meet. Our instructor core's continuity and longevity allow students and aspiring SEW instructors and evaluators across the enterprise to learn from other well-established instructors. The 233rd DET 1 provides a place where potential National Guard or AD instructors can learn from seasoned weapon system experts and take that newly acquired knowledge home to their units.
- Q: What will students learn at the EWS?
- A: The EWS covers an extensive list of concepts while students attend the course, beginning with learning diverse space and electromagnetic domain principles. These learning objectives consist of satellite antenna tuning and positioning, satellite orbiting and location finding, fundamentals of modern satellite communications architectures and electromagnetic spectrum theory. The second half of the class applies all the principles learned up until that point. Students combine all lessons and demonstrate the application of mission objectives and perform electromagnetic engagements on a closed system designed to show real-world effects. The course culminates in operators who can comprehensively conduct a 10.2 Counter Communication System mission.
- Q: What will the students gain upon graduating from EWS?
- A: Upon graduating, students carry the designation of Combat Mission Ready Space Control Operators. They are fully mission qualified and capable of deploying with one of the four ANG EWSs in Florida, Colorado, California, or Hawaii. The operators will return to their home station and work on continuation training requirements and upgrade qualifications for crew chief or crew commander

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The Adjutant General
Executive Director

May 25, 2022

Team DMVA,

I am pleased to announce that Myk Bruno has been selected as the new Deputy Executive Director for the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA). Myk brings with him a significant amount of experience and his attributes will be a strong multiplier to the department and our continued focus on DMVA Next Generation (NEXGEN) and the strengthening of our focus on customer service.

Myk Bruno is currently serving as the Chief of the Joint Staff within the Executive Director's Office and has superbly facilitated our execution of domestic operations during the COVID pandemic as well as strengthened our international partnerships through the State Partnership Program. His proximity to senior leadership and involvement in strategic decision making generate a large degree of institutional knowledge that will facilitate his transition.

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Bruno and I look forward to the level of support that we all provide him during this adjustment.

Laura L. Clellan
Brigadier General
Executive Director
Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

JOIN A SPECIAL EMPHASIS PROGRAM GROUP!

WHO: All Airmen, Soldiers, and Civilians are invited to become members of SEP groups.

WHAT: Think of SEP Groups as Employee Resource Groups. ERGs are meant to facilitate growth and Belonging for underrepresented groups of people.

WHEN: Membership is open throughout the year. Meeting times are decided by the SEP-Managers and the members.

WHERE: Group meet-up times and locations are decided by the SEP-Managers and the members.

WHY: These groups are established to provide community support for Service Members and Civilians that belong to or are allies of underrepresented groups of people.

EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUPS

African American, Black Heritage Network

Asian American, Pacific Islander Heritage Network

Employees with Disabilities & Allies Network

Hispanic/LatinX Heritage Network

LGBTQA+ & Allies Network

Native American Heritage Network

Women's Mentorship Network

New Parents Network

FAQS

If I am the first member of a group, does that mean I have to be the group leader/manager?

- Not at all! Being the first member only means that it's time to start spreading the word about the new ERG.

How can I find more information about Employee Resource Groups for the Colorado National Guard?

- We are currently working on the public webpage for all things Diversity, Inclusion, Equity, Belonging and Accessibility. In the meantime, please email Ms. Duffy at taylor.p.duffy.civ@army.mil

What's the purpose of an ERG?

- ERGs are meant to create a community of people who can help guide one another through life and career difficulties. It can act as an informal mentorship community and create a space where you belong.

OTHER GROUP IDEAS?
Email MS. DUFFY

CURRENTLY ESTABLISHED SEP-GROUPS:



AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE NETWORK

This ERG is led by CMSgt Anthony Cook. This group was established in late 2021 and has seven current members. If you would like more information on this ERG, please reach out to CMSgt Cook at Anthony.cook.4@us.af.mil



WOMEN'S MENTORSHIP NETWORK

This ERG is led by SSgt Christine Yarbrough. This group was established in early 2022 and has ten current members. If you would like more information on this ERG please reach out to SSgt Yarbrough at Christine.yarbrough.2@us.af.mil

MAKE THE GROUP YOURS!

- **DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A MEMBER OF AN EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUP?**
Please email Ms. Taylor Duffy – within the email, include which ERG you would like to belong to.
- **DO YOU WANT TO LEAD AND MANAGE AN EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUP?**
Please email Ms. Taylor Duffy – include a brief background of yourself, what group you would like to lead, and why it's important to you.

CONTACT

Ms. Taylor Duffy
Colorado National Guard
Chief Diversity Officer
taylor.p.duffy.civ@army.mil

**IF WE DON'T
INTENTIONALLY
INCLUDE, WE
ACCIDENTALLY
EXCLUDE.**

233rd Space Group supports National Guard director of space operations at 37th Space Symposium

By Tech. Sgt. Chance Johnson



Members of the Colorado Air National Guard's 233rd Space Group, Greeley Air National Guard Station, Greeley, completed Operation IT4YT or information technology support for the Director of Space Operations, National Guard Bureau, U.S. Air Force Maj. Gen. Gregory T. White, at the 37th Space Symposium held in Colorado Springs, Colorado, April 4, 2022.

Coordinated by Space Communications Squadron Director of Operations U.S. Air Force Maj. Lucas Stephens, the 233rd's responsibilities included the utilization of personnel and resources to set up communications and presentation systems, assisting White and the NGB-SO breakout prior to the symposium.

A two-person team comprised of U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Dane Wetterer, network systems operations technician, and U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Guy Winn, systems operations technician, set up the event for the symposium breakout. The operators used their expertise to support all tasks regarding information technology, including audio and video capabilities, conference attendance security, and coordinating and running a video teleconference for Vice Chief of Space Operations U.S. Space Force Gen. David D. Thompson.

Wetterer and Winn are part of the Network Control Center within the SCS at GANGS. They developed a virtual venue that was key to promoting senior leader awareness. Their expertise as information technology specialists provided fluid coordination during the event for several senior leaders representing multiple ANG states and some Army National Guard guests.

"We provided all things IT for the event" Wetterer said. "We were able to apply an entire audio-visual suite, integrated with Non-Secure Internet Protocol Router streaming services in order to provide mass participation nationwide. This included providing two-way communication and visuals to those in attendance and those networking in from their home station."

Wetterer went on to describe how the experience was brand-new for the team: "Personally, it was fun to be able to control a switching and audio visual room and learn on a capability we have never had hands-on before, all in order to deliver the best experience to the participants. IT went off without a hitch."

According to the Space Symposium website, "Space Symposium has brought together space leaders from around the world to discuss, address and plan for the future of space since the inaugural event in 1984. It's become widely known as the premier U.S. space policy and program forum and as the 'must attend' opportunity for information on and interaction among all sectors of space.



**COLORADO AIR NATIONAL GUARD
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL
BUCKLEY SPACE FORCE BASE COLORADO**

13 May 2022

SPECIAL ORDER
MC-8

1. TYPE OF DUTY: IDT – INACTIVE DUTY FOR TRAINING
2. PURPOSE: FY23 STATE REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRILLS (RSD)
3. ADDRESSING: JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS-COLORADO/AIR STAFF; 140TH WING (ALL SUBORDINATE UNITS/GSUs INCLUSIVE) AND 233^D SPACE GROUP
4. AUTHORITY/TITLE: TITLE 32 U.S.C., SECTION 502; TITLE 37 U.S.C., SECTION 206; ANGI 36-2001)
5. ITINERARY:

140TH WING	233D SPACE GROUP
15-16 OCT 2022	15-16 OCT 2022
5-6 NOV 2022	5-6 NOV 2022
3-4 DEC 2022	3-4 DEC 2022
7-8 JAN 2023	7-8 JAN 2023
4-5 FEB 2023	4-5 FEB 2023
4-5 MAR 2023	4-5 MAR 2023
1-2 APR 2023	1-2 APR 2023
6-7 MAY 2023	NO DRILL FOR MAY
8-11 JUN 2023 (NOTE 1)	10-11 JUN 2023
NO DRILL FOR JULY	NO DRILL FOR JULY
5-6 AUG 2023	1-15 AUG 2023: ANNUAL FIELD TRAINING (NOTE 2)
9-10 SEP 2023	9-10 SEP 2023

NOTE: (1) 140TH WING: 4-DAY RSD 8-11 JULY 2023 (UTILIZING JULY RSD 2023)
(2) 233D SPACE GROUP: ANNUAL FIELD TRAINING WILL TAKE PLACE 1-15 AUG 2023, WHICH WILL UTILIZE ANNUAL TRAINING DAYS, MAY RSD 2023, AND JULY RSD 2023; RESOURCE DISTRIBUTION WILL BE MANAGED BY THE 233D SPACE GROUP.

6. REMARKS: UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ANGI 36-2001, PARA 6.3.1, ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRILLS (RSDs) FOR THE ABOVE ADDRESSED UNITS FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 OCTOBER 2022 THROUGH 30 SEPTEMBER 2023, INCLUSIVE. ALL MEMBERS OF THE COLORADO AIR NATIONAL GUARD ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO ATTEND ALL REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRILLS SHOWN ON THIS SCHEDULE UNLESS ATTENDING A RESCHEDULED DRILL (RD). ORGANIZATION/UNIT COMMANDER MAY SCHEDULE THEIR PERSONNEL FOR SPLIT REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRILLS DURING THE CALENDAR MONTH OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRILLS, AS REQUIRED FOR UNIT MISSION. MEMBERS' UNIT OF ASSEMBLY WILL DIRECT START TIME, LOCATION, AND DUTY UNIFORM OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED DRILLS.
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"Each Fights Like a Tiger"

Buckley Pilot UTP Board

Colorado Air National Guard,

The 120th Fighter Squadron is hosting a Undergraduate Pilot Training Hiring Board. This hiring board will only be open to current members of the COANG!

Interviews for the UPT Board will be scheduled for the most competitive candidates over October drill. Please submit complete applications by September, 1 2022 to buckleypilotjob@gmail.com Specific application requirements can be found at www.buckleypilotjob.com, under the UPT Applicants tab.

State Tuition Assistance

The Fall semester State TA applications will open July 1st and close July 31st, these are the only accurate application dates. Meeting this deadline is crucial to consideration for funding. The link to apply and official application dates are on the State TA webpage located here <https://dmva.colorado.gov/tuition-assistance>

For additional questions please work with your Group UTM or Force Development Office.

Recruiting Volunteer Opportunities

What: LaSalle Day
When: Saturday, July 16, 2022 at 1100-1530
Where: 128 N. 2nd St. LaSalle, CO 80645
POC: TSgt Rebecca Absher, 303-929-7768
UOD

What: Beef N' Bean Day
When: Saturday, August 13, 2022 at 0700
Where: 320 Centennial Drive Milliken, CO 80543
POC: TSgt Rebecca Absher, 303-929-7768
UOD

What: Harvest Daze
When: Friday and Saturday, August 19,20 2022
at Friday (1530-2000 booth
event starts 1700-2000) Saturday (booth set up
0900-1030 event 1100-1500)
Where: 400 Grand Avenue Platteville, CO
80651
POC: TSgt Rebecca Absher, 303-929-7768
UOD

What: Miners Day
When: Saturday, September 17, 2022 at 1000
Where: Centennial Park, 630 Eighth Street
POC: TSgt Rebecca Absher, 303-929-7768
UOD

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PRIDE MONTH • JUNE

ALL TOGETHER



The Department of Defense (DoD) recognizes June as Pride Month, celebrating LGBTQ+ Service members who have courageously served and sacrificed in the U.S. military.

Pride Month also upholds the Department's commitment to diversity and inclusion in all military branches.

Throughout American history, LGBTQ+ Service members have fought to defend our rights and freedoms from the founding of our nation, to the Civil War, through two World Wars, to Korea and Vietnam, and from Afghanistan to Iraq.

The Stonewall Riots, also called the Stonewall Uprising, began on June 28, 1969, when New York City police raided the Stonewall Inn, a gay club located in Greenwich Village in New York City.

The raid ignited a riot among bar patrons and neighborhood residents as police hauled employees and patrons out of the bar. Six days of protests and violent clashes with law enforcement followed.

The Stonewall Riots served as a catalyst for the gay rights movement in the United States and around the world.

Diversity is more than race, gender, and ethnicity—it means diversity of thought, ability, background, language, culture, and skill.

As we celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month, let us take PRIDE IN ALL WHO SERVE.



ACT for Life -Thursdays @ 1045

Starts 7 July. Buckley MHC, Bldg 392. Capt Reid Hlavka, Ph.D.

ACT for Life is a weekly group devoted to helping service members encounter depression, anxiety, stress, trauma, anger, and relationship difficulties differently and pursue a full and meaningful life.

What is ACT?

Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) is a form of therapy which helps you relate differently to your anxious feelings, depressed mood, worrying mind, self-defeating behaviors, and/or anything else that causes your problems. The aim of ACT is to limit the way these run your life.

What do you mean by acceptance and commitment?

Acceptance refers to bringing an open and willing attitude toward all internal experiences – thoughts, feelings, physical sensations, and memories – even those which are uncomfortable. It does not mean resigning yourself to your circumstances or giving in to where pain usually leads you. Commitment means actively working on what you truly care about, even when pain is present.

Why would I want to accept painful internal experiences?

There is a growing body of research which suggests that attempts to suppress or control internal experiences can make them worse and lead to the kinds of problems people seek therapy for. When we stop struggling with these experiences, they paradoxically have less power.

What can I expect?

- This will be a confidential, interactive group comprised of short educational components, group discussions, and lots of experiential exercises to apply processes/skills rather than simply talking about them.
- We will use mindfulness strategies as a primary tool for relating to difficult experiences, worries, and emotions. Mindfulness means, "paying attention in a particular way: on purpose, in the present moment, and nonjudgmentally."
- You'll be asked to practice some skills at home.
- You will be expected to do your best to attend all six meetings.

The group starts on 7 July 2022 and continues every Thursday (excluding 14 July), for six meetings. For more information, contact 720-847-6451 or talk with your primary MH provider for a referral.

Referral Template for Intro to MH Skills Group

Send message with below information to Capt Hlavka in Genesis

- Referring provider/technician and/or provider with whom patient has intake scheduled (and date)
- Presenting concerns and/or diagnoses
- Safety classification
- Patient goals for therapy/group
- Any additional details
 - Do Not refer patients with elevated safety concerns (acute intermediate risk or higher)
 - Group start dates: 2 May 22, 6 June 22, 25 July 22, 22 Aug 22

Information for technicians and patients:

- Closed group with specific start dates (see above)
- Group is 4 1-hour weekly sessions on Mondays @ 0830
- Group is part of new pathway into clinic to increase access to care due to provider shortage
- Group is open to existing patients, following triage and intakes, and PCBH referrals
- Patient will be scheduled with individual provider following group completion (can be scheduled earlier due to access)
- o Can elect to engage in additional groups if desired
 - CBT-based group to provide skills and support to start addressing current stressors or difficulties
 - Group is experiential and interactive (not a briefing or lecture) to provide foundational skills that will be further developed with individual provider



EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR THE COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD

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FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR
MAY 15TH – AUG 1ST**

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Guard Service Members and
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&

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OTHER ATTENDEES INCLUDE:

- Homeschooling Resources
- The Aurora Public Library
- EFMP Resources
- A/G&FRC Financial Readiness
- NAF Employment Opportunities

For questions on the event please, contact the Education Office
at 720-847-6356 or the School Liaison at 720-847-6694.



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140th Wing Color Guard

COANG members, your 140th Wing has its own Color Guard Team! Effective immediately. Requests should be sent to the 140th Wing Color Guard org box at: 140WGC.G.140thWGCColorGuard@us.af.mil

SSgt Aaron Quirk, of the 140th Security Forces Squadron has been selected as the NCOIC for the team and will vet all requests. Please feel free to reach out to SSgt Quirk directly on the global at aaron.quirk@us.af.mil should you have any questions about the team, volunteer opportunities or functions that can be supported within your units.

Recent Promotions

A1C Kristine Selvidge
SrA Alisha Ryan
SrA Ryan Shanahan
SrA Gavin Schniepp
SrA Samuel Chew
SrA Joshua Hernandez
SrA Matthew Mefford
SrA Andrew Wise SSgt
Frankie Eubanks
SSgt Annalisa Neal
SSgt Daniel Seese
SSgt Andrew Yarbrough
SSgt Colby Stoner
TSgt Anthony Scudiero
TSgt Jamie Cropp
MSgt Elizabeth Glick

Recent Retirements

TSgt James Williams – LRS
CMSgt Franklin Vaughn – JFHQ
SMSgt John Rohrer – WG/PA

FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM

SUMMER 2022 CLASS SCHEDULE

Keep It Cool



Tactics and techniques to gain control of your emotions when you feel out of control.

Every Friday

1100 -

1200

Location: Skype Virtual

Love and Logic

A class providing parents with tools to raise responsible, respectful and happy children.



**Two session
class: 20th & 27th
July 1200 - 1600**

2 Rules of Love and Logic

- 1: Adults set limits without anger, lectures, threats or repeated warnings.
- 2: When children cause problems, adults hand these problems back in loving ways.

Love allows children to grow through their mistakes.

Logic allows them to learn from the consequences of their choices.

 Love and Logic www.loveandlogic.com

DADs 101

A unique class for Dads taught by Dads. Join experienced Dads from Buckley AFB for a fun and interactive training class for expectant and new fathers!

By appointment

Location: Family Advocacy



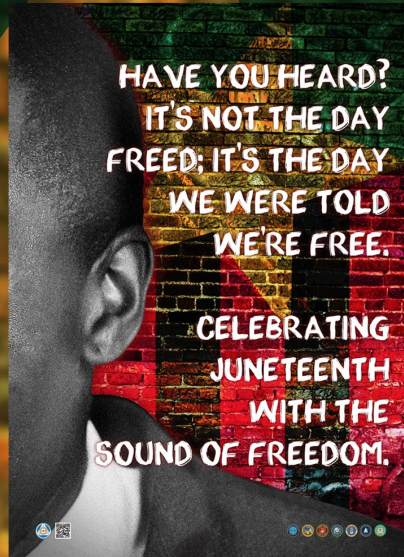
**Call 720-847-6453 for further information
and to register for any of the above classes**

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HAVE YOU HEARD?
Juneteenth



FACTS

Juneteenth, celebrated on June 19, is the name given by African Americans to Emancipation Day in Texas. It is considered the longest-running African American holiday.

In 1865, Union troops led by Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas, to take control of the state and ensure that all enslaved people were freed. The troops' arrival came two and a half years after President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.

According to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Major General Granger read General Order No. 3, to the people, "The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free."

Large celebrations began in 1866 and continued regularly into the early 20th century. African Americans equate this day to the Fourth of July, and Juneteenth celebrations contained similar events. The June 19th celebration spread from Texas to the neighboring states of Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. Later it appeared in Alabama, Florida, and California as African American Texans migrated.

Celebrations declined during World War II but returned in 1950 at the Texas State Fair in Dallas. Interest and participation decreased in the late 1950s and 1960s as attention focused on expanding civil rights. In the 1970s, Juneteenth revived in some communities. In 1979, Texas became the first state to make Juneteenth an official holiday; several others followed suit over the years. In June 2021, Congress passed a resolution establishing Juneteenth as a national holiday. On June 17, 2021, the event was signed into law and it officially became a federal holiday.



Have You been diagnosed with...

INSOMNIA?

- If so, YOU may be a great candidate for Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Insomnia or CBT-I
- CBT-I is an evidence based treatment that has been shown to effectively:
 - Decrease the amount of time it takes to fall asleep
 - Help you sleep *through* the night
 - Aid in the discontinuation of sleep medications

What could YOU do with better sleep.....?

The CBT-I Class

Consists of 3 Group Sessions & 1 to 2 Individual follow-up sessions

You MUST be on Active Duty

Held in the Buckley Mental Health Clinic Conference Room

Thursday's @ 1500



If you are interested, ask your Provider for more information to find out if a Referral is appropriate

140 FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON (May 2022)



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 Dir of Ops: 1st Lt Kayla Gordon, 847-9424
 FSS Supt: CMSgt Megan Metzger, 847-9304
 FSS 1st Sgt: SMSgt Ron Ebert, 720-281-5384 / Alternate 1st Sgt: MSgt Eric Felipe
 FSM OIC & Superintendent: Pending New Hire
 FDO OIC & Superintendent: 2Lt Daniel Worthen & SMSgt Patrick Nay, 847-9051 or 9589
 FSV OIC & Superintendent: 1st Lt Kayla Gordon & SMSgt Leah Fishman, 847-6166 or 9975
 A&F Readiness: Ms. Brenda Batangan, 847-9116
 Yellow Ribbon Support Specialist: Mrs. Krystine Stephenson, 303-656-7325
 Student Flight NCOIC: MSgt Joshua Thornton, 847-6099



ID CARDS - HOURS OF OPERATION

COANG members:

If you need any DEERS/CAC assistance, please call 720-847-9295
(COANG members will be made priority)
 We are open to assist you Tue thru Friday from 0615-1700

ALL OTHER DEERS/ID Card Customers:

Tuesday thru Friday → 0700 – 1100 (Appt. Only)
 Appointments made here → <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>

**COANG mbrs do not use DMDC
 to make an appt. please call 847-9295**

Buckley Garrison DEERS Office: Bldg. 606 DSN: 847-4357 press 1 to skip
 Buckley Visitor Center 6th Ave.: 847-9381/5613
 Mississippi Gate: 847-9349/6th Ave Gate: 847-9940

AIRMAN & FAMILY READINESS & OTHER CONTACTS

Ms. Brenda Batangan, Bldg 801 Rm. N259
Office Hours: Tues – Friday 0800 to 1530
Drill Weekend: 0800 to 1500

Civilian Personnel Office:

Buckley AFB Bldg. 606: 847-6191
 Labor Relations: 847-6372
 140th Civilian Employee Benefits
 Ms. Tricia Heistermann 720-250-1172

CONG State Tuition Assistance

Dept. of Military and Vet Affairs
 State TA Manager, Education counseling:
 Ms. Joni Fernandez Commercial: 720-250-1550
 Email: mailto:tuition@dmva.state.co.us
 Website: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dmva/tuition-assistance>

SELF SERVICE PERSONNEL ACTIONS

HQ ARPC
 DSN: 665-0102
 COMM: 1-800-525-0102
<https://mypers.af.mil>

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 report, Feedback, Evaluations, Awards, etc....**

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MANPOWER & PERSONNEL FLIGHT (FSM)

Please remember to work with SMSgt Michael Henderson & TSgt Allison Barker (HRO Liaison) for any full-timer personnel actions/questions/processing:

- ANGI/Forms/Checklists → Z:\ Common\ A1 - Manpower & Personnel\HRO Remote
- Submit all SF-52s, ANG 336 (AGR actions), Announcement requests, promotion packages, and any other questions or actions that need to get to the JFHQ/HRO team
- Manning document or resource questions – call SMSgt Henderson

[TEAMS -- A1 Manpower & Personnel](#)

SERVICES FLIGHT (FSV)

Services Flight Superintendent

SMSgt Fishman (847-6166)

Services Specialist

MSgt Ginzel (847-9975)

Lodging signup now on Signup Genius!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4cacac2aa5fbcf8-utalodging>

Fitness signup now on Signup Genius!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4cacac2aa5fbcf8-august>

Email SMSgt Fishman to sign up for PTL or CPR Training

Fitness Guidance → Z:\ Common\ A1 - Manpower & Personnel\Fitness

AND NOW ON TEAMS for all UFPMs!

FORCE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE (FDO)

140th Testing Times:

Weekday Testing: Thursdays @ 1300

Drill Weekend Testing:

Saturday @ 1300/Sunday @ 0830 / See your Group UTM for scheduling

140th Records Management and Privacy Act Training is a local requirement that is to be completed yearly. Training can be completed by watching the following videos and notifying your Group UTM.

Records Management - <https://youtu.be/A9l4YDpLlew>

Privacy Act - <https://youtu.be/yEpxljcVQOg>



A1 NEWS & UPDATES



DSG Maternity leave:

The Mom's ACT still has NOT been implemented.

A provision in the 2021 NDAA provides compensation and credit towards retirement (points) for maternity leave taken by members of Reserve Components. As of today, we are still awaiting the release of a DoDI.

NGB recommends that local commanders leverage policies already in place to ensure impacted members have a good year, such as drill make-ups (RDs), telework, etc.

POC – your group CSS or MSgt Molly Miller (CSS Supt)

MyDecs

- Effective 25 Apr 2022, decoration nominations must be initiated in the **new myDecs application available on the myFSS platform.**

- You will no longer utilize vPC to initiate new nominations after 25 April 2022.

- For nominations previously submitted in vPC, continue to process them as normal. However, all nominations in vPC should be completed within the next 60 days as preparations are underway to terminate vPC decorations process. Nominations in vPC which are not completed by 1 August 2022 will need to be resubmitted in myDecs.

- POC – your group CSS or MSgt Molly Miller (CSS Supt)

Are you looking for Personnel program guidance, forms, “how to” slides, checklists, etc...?

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ANCILLARY TRAINING

• Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) o TCCC is currently being taught at Basic Military Training (BMT). Once service member complete training completion of TCCC should be annotated.

Transgender

Spread the word!

A Department of the Air Force Fact sheet for our serving transgender members is now on the AF portal. Please see link:

<https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-af/USAF/content/a2nY3>

NGB/A1PS also houses program information in our share point:

<https://usaf.dps.mil/sites/ANGA1P/A1PS/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Any latest information regarding the Transgender program can be located at the A1PS milBOOK site:

<https://www.milsuite.mil/book/groups/a1p-force-management-division/projects/a1ps-customer-support-and-policy>

AFI QUICK GUIDE – Always check e-pubs → <https://www.e-publishing.af.mil/Product-Index/>

AFI 36-2907, Unfavorable Information File Program
AFM 36-2806, Awards and Decorations
AFI 36-2626, Airmen Retraining Program
AFMAN 36-2664, Personnel Assessment Program
AFMAN 36-2100, Military Utilization and Classification
DAFI 36-2110, Total Force Assignments
AFI 36-2134, Duty Status Program
AFI 36-2406, Officer & Enlisted Evaluations
AFI 36-3208, Admin Separation of Airmen
AFI 36-2131, Administration of Sanctuary

AFI 36-2903, Dress & Appearance
AFI 36-2651, Air Force Training Program
AFI 36-3026, ID Cards
AFI 36-2606, Reenlistments
AFI 51-604, Appointments to and Assumption of Command
AFI 36-3003, Military Leave Program
AFI 36-3802, Personnel Spt for Contingency Ops (PERSCO)
AFI 36-2502, Airman Promotion/Demotion Programs
AFI 36-2501, Officer Promotions and Selective Continuation
AFI 36-3203, Service Retirements

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To enhance readiness, development, and quality of life by providing unmatched customer support for our most valuable asset, THE PEOPLE!

140 FSS Vision:

To deliver unrivaled force support and innovative customer service, strengthening the Total Force, our families and community