

The Stinger



180th Fighter Wing, Ohio Air National Guard, Toledo, OH

Accomplishing a Life's Dream – Lieutenant David J. Mitchell

By Lt. Col. Thomas R. Gee, Public Affairs Officer

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As military members, we all strive to accomplish our goals and fulfill our lifelong dreams. In a short period of time and just 26 years old, 2nd Lieutenant David Mitchell had already accomplished and therefore fulfilled his ultimate goal of serving his country and becoming an F-16 Fighter pilot.

“Dave joined the military because he wanted to serve his country and his dream was always to be an F-16 pilot,” said his wife, Kristi Mitchell. “Some people only dream about what goals they’d like to accomplish and Dave was living his life dream.”

Tragically, Lt. Mitchell died on Friday, March 14 when his F-16 Fighting Falcon crashed in a remote area three miles south of Alamo Lake, Arizona. Mitchell, a member of the 180th Fighter Wing, Swanton, Ohio, was temporarily assigned to the 62nd Fighter Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona as a part of the Basic Qualification Course within the Initial Pilot Training program. Mitchell was on a two-ship student air-to-air training mission in the Gladden Baghdad military operating area approximately 80 miles northwest of Phoenix. He had a total of 237 flight hours of which 26 were in the F-16.



Photo courtesy of Luke Air Force Base

Lt. Mitchell died on Friday, March 14 when his F-16 Fighting Falcon crashed in a remote area three miles south of Alamo Lake, Arizona. Mitchell, a member of the 180th Fighter Wing, Swanton, Ohio, was temporarily assigned to the 62nd Fighter Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona as a part of the Basic Qualification Course within the Initial Pilot Training program.

Mitchell, from Amherst, Ohio, enlisted in the Ohio Air National Guard in October 2001 and joined the 180th Maintenance Squadron as a Jet Engine Shop Mechanic. He attended Bowling Green State University and graduated in 2004 with a degree in Aircraft Maintenance. He was selected and earned his commission as

a 2nd Lt. in June 2006 and graduated from undergraduate pilot training at Laughlin AFB, Texas in August 2007. He arrived at the 56th Fighter Wing in November 2007 to attend the F-16 Basic Course.

On March 18, Mitchell was honored during a Memorial Service

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“We can't all be heros. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by.

Will Rogers

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS – BUILDING PUBLIC TRUST AND SUPPORT

**By Capt. Gary Bentley
Wing Executive Officer**

We are all fortunate to serve in the military today, especially in a location that clearly supports our presence in the community. This is evidenced in many ways, probably the most visible being the “Save the 180th” campaign that took place during the BRAC process in 2005. But there are other ways in which we are supported by the community and ways in which we support the community.

Our Recruiters, including GRAP members, support these objectives by being visible in the community and by participating in various public events. Also, our Base Honor Guard adds value to these objectives by their service in and around the community. The truth is that each of us can provide support to these objectives by simply being a good neighbor and community supporter, especially when in uniform.

I received a call recently from one of our neighbors who lives on Salisbury Road. She first told me how much she supports the military and has great pride seeing our jets flying overhead. She also talked about how friendly and polite our members are, as many of them jog down her road on a daily basis. But she also asked that our unit members slow down and drive carefully on Salisbury. She was concerned for the safety of her child who waits for the school bus by the road every morning, and for the safety of the other children who live on the road. She said she knew that it's not only 180th members on the road in the morning but she did recognize that many drivers were 180th members because she could see their uniform. This is just one example where we can be recognized as a military member without realizing it. So, please – be a good neighbor and slow down on Salisbury and other residential roadways.

We constantly receive many



**Capt. Gary Bentley
Wing Executive Officer**

calls and letters seeking 180th members' participation in all kinds of community events. These include parades, special observances, flyovers, speakers, races and a multitude of others. I am aware that many of our members participate in various community events and have done an admirable job of representing our unit. Numerous unit members also participate in various “unofficial” events that may involve potential recognition awards tied to community involvement. We need to ensure such involvement is officially documented. Please contact me with details of any community involvement that relates to your military membership.

There are three upcoming community events for which volunteers are needed. The first event is the Toledo Memorial Day Parade taking place in downtown Toledo, May 24. Col. Bartman will be serving as the main speaker and Grand Marshal. The Navy, Army and Coast Guard will also have members designated as Grand Marshals. If you are interested in participating in the parade, contact your full-time Orderly Room representative or call me for additional information. I should have the final infor-

mation by the time you read this article. The parade will be a fun and patriotic event for you and your family.

The second community event is the placement of flags on the graves of veterans at Woodlawn Cemetery May 23. This has become an annual event for many 180th members, and involves placing about 5,000 flags. This is a great opportunity for unit members and families to participate in a very worthy event. Please contact Master Sgt. Joy Chittum at 419-868-4023 to sign-up and receive additional information.

The third community event will be the Dragon Boat Festival scheduled for July 26 at International Park in Toledo. This event is tied to Partners in Education, an organization that works with over 140 school-community partnerships with over 1,200 volunteers, in the Toledo area public and parochial schools. The event includes teams of 25 individuals who participate in races on the river in dragon boats. Each team of 25 must have at least eight females. We are currently recruiting unit members, male and female, who would be willing to paddle the 180th dragon boat at the event. There will be family activities at the festival, so it would be a great way for your entire family to participate.

We also receive many requests for speakers from Rotary Clubs, VFW Posts, American Legion, Schools, etc. I am developing a list of unit members who would be willing to volunteer time to serve as a speaker. We do have a PowerPoint unit brief to be used at most of these speaking engagements. If you are interested in volunteering to become a speaker, please give me a call. I can be reached at 419-868-4380. I thank every one of you for your service to our country, our state and our communities.

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at Luke AFB in which family, friends and fellow wingmen described him as an aspiring fighter pilot, natural leader and devoted family man. Thirty-two members from the 180th attended the Memorial Service. "I couldn't be more proud of David," said his father, Mr. Dave Mitchell, from Sandusky, Ohio. "He was the son I was blessed with and for the man he became."

His stepbrother, Mr. Justin Hayman, emphasized to the Luke members in attendance that Lt. Mitchell lived his dream of flying a multi-role fighter aircraft. "David lived and died doing what he loved," Mr. Hayman said. "While most people will never even find the courage to go out and attempt to make their dreams a reality, David made his."

Senior Master Sgt. Mike Berry, 180th Propulsion Element and former supervisor of Lt. Mitchell, was proud that the young pilot was selected for the commissioning program and pilot training. "I've been doing this for 32 years and the one thing I was really looking forward to doing—and I didn't let him know this—was standing and saluting him," said Berry. "I now salute 2nd Lt. Dave Mitchell."

Mitchell, who grew up in Amherst, Ohio and graduated from Amherst Steele High School in 1999, had a loving relationship with his father Dave, mother Jo Ann, and his two sisters, Samantha and Tricia. "Dave was extremely close with his father, Dave, who was the first person who introduced him to an airplane at a job fair," said Kristi. "It was there that Dave took his first airplane ride and he decided then that he wanted to be a pilot." Kristi added, "Dave's mom, Jo Ann, was an influential person in his life as well, teaching him to be independent and self-sufficient. His parents should be so proud of the boy they raised and the man he became."

Having the opportunity to start his own family was a dream that Mitchell also had. "He was such a devoted husband and was so thrilled to become a father," said Kristi. "I remember his words to me when we found out we were having a boy and

he told me it was the greatest day of his life and I will always remember the look on his face when the ultrasound technician said, 'It's a boy.'"

In addition to his own family, Mitchell was also close with the 180th Engine Shop members. "Dave kept in close contact with many of the guys in the Engine Shop, even after we left for UPT training," said Kristi. "He made some very good friends there and they were all willing to help each other out at anytime. They became like family."

On April 8, hundreds of people, civilian and military, filled the North Olmstead Evangelical Friends Church in North Olmsted, Ohio to say their final farewell to Lt. Mitchell. Many student pilot trainees and instructors from Luke AFB were also in attendance. 1st Lt. Josh Quinn, a close friend of Dave and Kristi's, who was their neighbor at Laughlin AFB during Mitchell's UPT training, spoke at the services. "David was everyone's friend and there wasn't anything that he wouldn't do for anyone," said Quinn. "To his parents, Dave and Jo Ann, you need to know that you did a wonderful job of raising your son and that he will be missed by all of the other students."

Captain Daniel Horgan, Clergy Officiating Chaplain from Luke, summarized the collection of stories he had heard from Lt. Mitchell's friends and co-workers. "I heard many stories, each one of them a favorite of the person telling it and the story I heard most often was how hard he worked at what he did, that he was a man with a generous heart and willing to help his friends out however and whenever he could," said Horgan. "We need to be thankful for memories such as these as they enrich our lives and can make us better people."

Senior Master Sgt. Mike Berry was once again in attendance for these services. "We knew early on that David was one of those unique individuals that doesn't come along too often," said Berry. "He was hard working, dedicated, well liked by everyone and will always be a member of the Engine Shop."

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Lt. Mitchell received full military honors at the Sunset Memorial Park and Chapel in North Olmstead, Ohio and his family was presented with the Meritorious Service Medal Posthumous by Colonel Mark Bartman, 180th Fighter Wing Commander. Mitchell's family was also presented with the Minuteman Trophy from Chief Master Sgt. Richard Smith, Command Chief for the Air National Guard. The services concluded with a joint military flyover from Luke AFB and the 180th Fighter Wing.

"I would like to thank everyone at the 180th and Luke Air Force Base for their love and support during this difficult time," said Kristi. "Everyone who has unselfishly given their time and helped out is appreciated more than I could ever explain. I could not have gotten through this without the support from the 180th and Luke AFB."

Our deepest sympathies to the co-workers, friends and family of Lieutenant David J. Mitchell.

180th member guides heroes on 1st Honor Flight

By Tech. Sgt. Annette Kornasiewicz,
Public Affairs Editor

As the inaugural Honor Flight of Northwest Ohio taxied down the runway at Toledo Express Airport April 30, 2008, 29 veterans looked out the plane's windows to see a line of 180th members, along with our Honor Guard, come to attention and render a respectful salute from the tarmac.

"That just brought smiles and tears to those veterans," said 1st Sgt. Norman Drzewiecki, Information Protection Manager here.

The mission of Honor Flight of Northwest Ohio, one of six Ohio hubs in the national Honor Flight Network, according to their website, is "to fly American veterans to Washington, D.C., for the day completely free of charge, and operating solely from contributions of time, money and effort of its associates, guardians and donors." Drzewiecki was one of 23 volunteers to escort these World War II soldiers on their pilgrimage to visit the war memorials. He enlisted the help of his American Legion Post 553 - Adam's Township, to donate the

\$350 he needed for the flight.

"Your job as guardian was to be at the beckoned call of those you are assigned to," said Drzewiecki. "I walked along and listened to them. You just were there for them as a companion for the day. It was an honor."

The veterans visited the World War II memorial in the morning, then had lunch with the Honorable Marcy Kaptur, Congresswoman, and former Senator Bob Dole. They also viewed the Korean and Vietnam memorials before traveling back to Toledo.

"They seemed to want to talk about their experiences," said Drzewiecki.

One veteran, Merle Altaffer, a former Army infantry soldier, particularly touched Drzewiecki with his recollections of time spent in the Battle of the Bulge.

"He said that he spent the entire winter of 1944 outside. He never once went in doors," said Drzewiecki. "He said, 'Some days, you woke up and death was all around you.'"

Still, Drzewiecki said the main

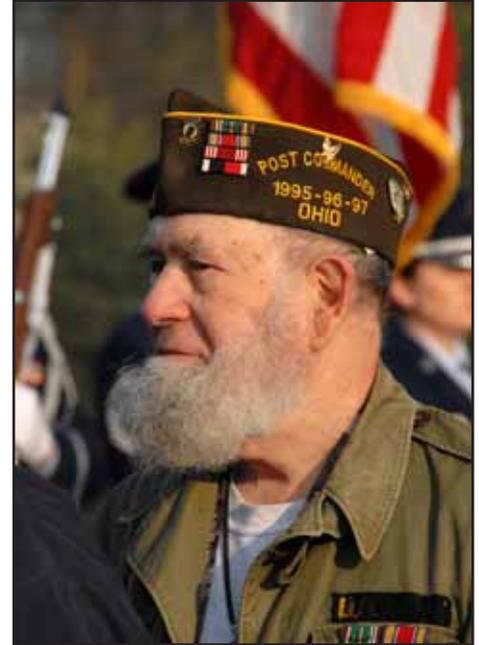


Photo by Tech. Sgt. Elizabeth Holliker, Public Affairs

Merle Altaffer, an Army infantry veteran of World War II, waits to board the inaugural Honor Flight of Northwest Ohio from the Toledo Express Airport April 30, 2008. Several 180th members, including our Honor Guard, were on hand as the vets prepared to journey to Washington, D.C.

sentiment expressed by the former soldiers was a sense that they were just doing their jobs, fulfilling their duty to their country back then.

"They never looked at the despair and shock of war as a stopping point. They just kept pressing forward," said Drzewiecki.

The Honor Flight of Northwest Ohio is planning to continue the flights monthly, from April through November. Veterans are taken in the order the applications are received. Because it is estimated that we are losing 1,200 of these heroes daily, an exception is made for any terminally ill veteran, as they are given top priority on the first available flight.

"Some of these vets never got a welcome home after the war," said Drzewiecki. "I think the whole experience was deeply satisfying for them."

To learn more about this organization, you may visit their website at www.honorflightnwo.org.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Elizabeth Holliker, Public Affairs

1st Sgt. Norman Drzewiecki, 180th Information Protection Manager, enjoys breakfast with Merle Altaffer, a former Army infantry soldier and veteran of World War II and the Battle of the Bulge, just before boarding the Honor Flight. Drzewiecki was a guardian to four veterans on their journey to view the war memorials in Washington, D.C.

Security Forces spun up on 'Direct to Threat' technique

**By Tech. Sgt. Annette Kornasiewicz,
Public Affairs Editor**

The 180th Fighter Wing Security Forces Squadron members gathered at the Fire Science and Law Enforcement Center at Owens Community College April 13, 2008, to be trained by members of the Ohio State High-



Photo by Senior Airman Jodi Joice, Public Affairs

Tech. Sgt. Scott Batch, Security Forces member, practices the Active Shooter technique in the halls of the Fire Science and Law Enforcement Center at Owens Community College.

way Patrol Special Response Team on the 'Active Shooter: Direct to Threat' technique. The concept of the Active Shooter technique was originally developed by the Los Angeles Police Department as they analyzed what happened during the Columbine shootings, and is now used by departments across the country as a way to enter and search a building that is being threatened with violence.

In April, 1999, two students embarked on a shooting rampage in Columbine High School, killing 12 students and a teacher, as well as wounding 23 others before committing suicide. All of the violence at Columbine occurred in about 45 minutes. Up until that point, local law enforcement units were trained to

surround the threatened location and wait for a SWAT team to arrive to enter the building, said Sgt. Michael D. Kemmer, OSHP Assistant SRT Team Leader. It has become clear to the law enforcement community that this approach needed to change, said Kemmer.

"The Direct to Threat training, or 'Active Shooter' training developed from the Columbine situation," said OSHP Staff Lieutenant Steve Rosta. "Since then, there have been hundreds of workplace violence situations, as well as school situations, in the United States. The responding units had to learn how to mitigate these situations themselves, and quickly," said Rosta.

"At Virginia Tech last year, after only eight minutes from the first 911 call, 33 people were dead," said Kemmer. The more the local police are familiar with the technique, the faster they can respond, he said.

"Last year alone we trained about 5000 officers from all over the country. This is the first military group we have had," said Rosta. "We are working hard to provide this training to as many law enforcement groups as possible."

In the 'Active Shooter: Direct to Threat' approach, officers are taught building search tactics geared toward seeking out a perpetrator and securing the scene quickly. The SRT members set up different scenarios for the SFS members to respond to as they moved in four-person teams through the classrooms.

The SFS group also received training on defensive hand-to-hand tactics and take-down techniques from SFS members Master Sgt. Dean Butler and Master Sgt. Robert York. Both are traditional guardsmen and civilian law enforcement officers from Perrysburg and Maumee Police Departments, respectively.

"It was definitely geared towards the first responder," said SFS member Senior Airman Nathan R. McKarns. "It taught you how to go into that situation without having to wait for backup."



Photo by Senior Airman Jodi Joice, Public Affairs

Master Sgt. Dean Butler, Security Forces member, demonstrates a take-down technique on SFS member Master Sgt. Robert York at Owens Community College. Both are civilian law enforcement officers from Perrysburg and Maumee Police Departments, respectively.

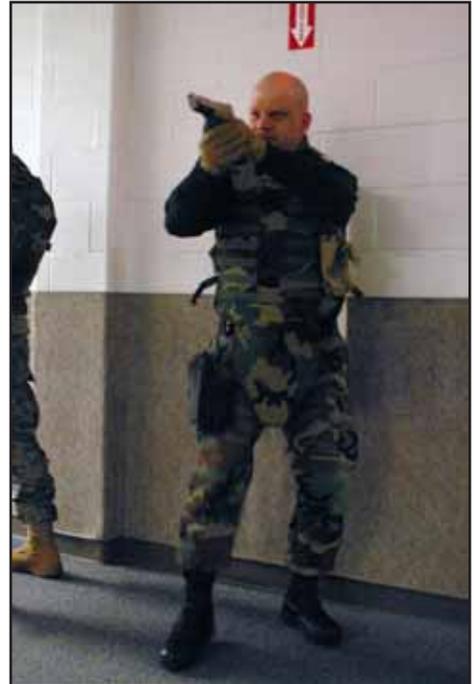
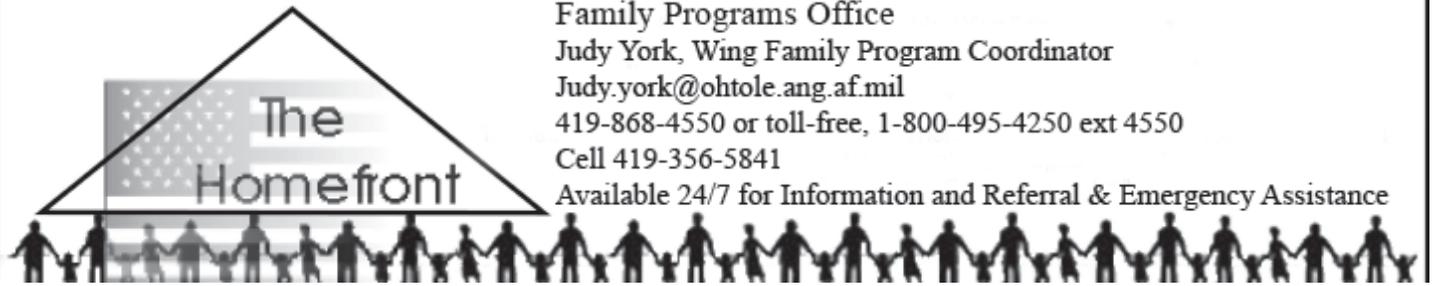


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Tech. Sgt. William Darling, SFS member, prepares to clear a classroom during an 'Active Shooter' scenario.



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180th Night with the Mud Hens

The 180th Fighter Wing MWR & 180th Fighter Wing Officers Club is proud to present the 180th Night with the Mud Hens. Limited tickets are available (200). Date: Saturday, June 7, 2008 (Jun UTA). Buffet starts at 5:30pm to 7:00pm, and the game has a start time of 7:00pm. Please see the flier in the Stinger, page 9, for more information, or contact First Sergeant John Gibson (Operations x4448) or First Sergeant Dave Lockert (Maintenance x4364).

Boss lifts planned for summer, fall

Captain Bentley, Wing Executive Officer, is currently taking nominations from unit Guardsmen for ESGR Bosslifts. He is tentatively planning for a Bosslift in July and one in September. The actual dates will be determined based on airlift availability. A Bosslift is designed to serve as an educational event for managers/supervisors of traditional Guardsmen. The bosses are invited out for an afternoon visit to our base that includes a unit briefing and the opportunity for a two hour re-fueling flight. The guests fly on a KC-135 and are able to observe and photograph our F-16 fighters undergoing in-flight refueling.

Please send Capt. Gary Bentley an email at: gary.bentley@ohtole.ang.af.mil in order to get the forms to nominate your employer.

On the Horizon



7-8 June

Master
Pays 18 June

12-13 July

Pays 23 July
SUTA 26-27 July

9-10 August

Pays August 22
SUTA 16-17 August

6-7 September

Pays September 19
SUTA 27-28 September

4-5 October

Master
Pays October 15

1-2 November

Pays November 12
SUTA 15-16 November



Photo by Capt. Gary Bentley, Wing Executive Officer

Ron Boston, Operation Pillowcase Coordinator and 180th Fighter Wing Family Readiness Volunteer, is presented the Adjutant General's Family Readiness Volunteer of the Year Award by Major Gen. Greg Wayt, Ohio's Adjutant General, and Lt. Col. Robert Bramlish, State Family Program Director. Ron has been volunteering with the 180th Fighter Wing Family Readiness Group for the past six years. His dedication to the program and to the 180th FW is remarkable.

An uplifting event for educators

**By Capt. Katherine Cherolis,
Public Affairs Officer**

On April 24th, 25 educators from the local community participated in an “Educator’s Flight.” The purpose of this event was to help enhance recruiting and community involvement for the 180th Fighter Wing.

The event was organized by Captain Gary Bentley, 180th Fighter Wing Executive Officer, and Captain John Griffiths, 180th Fighter Wing Maintenance Executive Officer. The event functioned much like an Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve bosslift, with the difference being the target audience. Teachers, school counselors, principals and administrators from Toledo area schools were invited.

The individuals who participated that day were very excited to not only learn about the 180th FW but to fly in the KC-135 to watch a refueling mission. Their day started with various briefings conducted by Lt. Col. Edgar Thompson, Vice Wing Commander; Master Sgt. Scott Waddle, Recruiting; Judy York, Family Readiness; and Lt. Col. Michael Timbrook, Chief of Stan. Evalul.

The educators were surprised to learn the scope of the 180th missions, the number of people who support these missions and the benefits Airman receive as Guard members. Chris Adams, teacher, Toledo Public Schools, said she learned that the 180th and Air National Guard provided great opportunities for intercity kids

to go to college and/or provide training on a useful skill.

Following the briefings and a group picture, the group then walked out to the flight line and boarded a KC-135, flown by the 179th Air Refueling Wing, Columbus, OH. While in flight the educators observed the aircraft refueling four 180th F-16’s.

Stacia DeRaedt, Board Member, Ohio Virtual Academy, said that seeing the 180th members working on the flight line and watching the refueling of the F-16’s, makes the mis-

sion of the 180th and Air National Guard more realistic. This was a very productive way to see what the 180th accomplishes.

Overall the event was very successful, with community educators having a greater appreciation of what the 180th does and what it provides not only to the community but to its members. Capt. Bentley stated that many of the participants had no idea that the 180th base was so large and had so many members. They were very impressed with the service we provide to our community and the Nation.



Photo by Capt. Katherine Cherolis, Public Affairs

Mark Basilius, Principal of Evergreen High School, was one of 25 educators from the local community who participated in an “Educator’s Flight” April 24, 2008. A main highlight of the trip is to watch an F-16 refueling from the boom area of a KC-135.

Officer Vacancies

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Job number</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Closes</u>
FW	Chaplain	180-2008-1	N/A	May 14

Enlisted Vacancies E-6 and above

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>AFSC</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Closes</u>
MDG	Medical Superintendent	4N091	SMSgt.	May 23
CE	CE Admin. NCO	3A071	TSgt.	May 23
Comm	Ground Radio Comm.	2E173	MSgt.	May 23
CES	Fire Ops. NCO	3E771	TSgt.	June 16
LRS	Supply Management Specialist	2S071	TSgt.	June 16
CES	Readiness NCO	3E971	TSgt.	June 16
LRS	Vehicle Readiness	2T370	TSgt.	June 16

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Date: Saturday 7 Jun 08 (Jun UTA)

Time: Buffet starts at 5:30pm to 7:00pm, Game start time of 7:00pm
Fireworks following the game

Dinner Buffet: Grilled Bratwurst with Sauerkraut and Grilled Chicken Breast
Corn on the Cob, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Sliced Watermelon

Beverages: Open Bar from 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Cost: Adult: \$20

Kids ages 3 -12: \$15

Kids 2 and under: Free

Price includes: Game ticket, all you can eat Buffet (5:30pm – 7:00pm), open bar (5:30pm – 7:30pm) and all service charges/gratuity.

Thanks to generous donations from MWR (ACC) and the Officers Club, the cost of the ticket has been reduced and the cost breakout is as follows: Original cost per adult ticket: \$36.75 minus MWR & O'Club contributions: Cost per adult ticket now becomes \$11.75. There will be an \$8.25 donation added to each ticket which will go to fund the Unit Minuteman trophy.

Sign-up and money collection will start on May 3rd Saturday of May drill.

Please contact First Sergeant John Gibson (Operations x4448) or First Sergeant Dave Lockert (Maintenance x4364). Tickets will be delivered to be picked up on June Drill or arrangements made for other means of pick-up (i.e. Will Call).

If you should have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks and see you at the game.

LTC Mike Timbrook
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