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On the cover...



Master Sgt. Scott Leebens, Maintenance 1st Sergeant, makes his donation to the blood mobile on its most recent visit to Joe Foss Field.

Financial Fitness

BY CAPT. KEVIN MILLER, 114TH FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OFFICER



SDANG FILE PHOTO

It's that time of year! – No, not just preparing ourselves for Physical Fitness training, but to get your personal finances back into fighting shape also. Thanks to the country's economic nosedive and the summertime fast approaching, most of us could benefit from a proven, no-nonsense financial workout plan. Below are some tips on how to improve your "Financial Fitness" program, taken from an article on the Air Force Times website. I have taken a sample from each category to help you improve your financial status. These tips should help you build wealth, boost credit scores and harden your core financial assets in 2009. Refer to the article on-line to see the rest of the tips.

POLISH YOUR CREDIT FILE

The fastest ways to send your credit scores skyrocketing — or make them crash and burn — all have to do with credit cards.

1. Avoid opening new credit card accounts. Opening a new credit card will drop your credit score for many months. It's safe to open an account only if you are not financing a car or buying a home within the next 18 months.

2. Negotiate lower interest rates. Call

the company and just ask, and do it often — especially if you have not been late on a payment for a couple of years. If you don't get what you want on the first try, call again the next month. Credit card banks are businesses, and they have specials, too.

RAISE YOUR CREDIT SCORE

3. Pay your debts early. If you pay your credit cards, installment loans and mortgage loans as much as three weeks early for a few months' time, your scores will rise.

4. Pay more than the minimum amounts. If you can, regularly pay at least \$25 per month over the minimum amount.

GAIN FINANCIAL SUCCESS

5. Spend less than you make. Without this, all the other rules have no value — if you don't save, you can't invest. If you spend it all, you may have fun but you will never get rich except by accident.

6. If you ignore money, it will ignore you. Spending it all will leave you with a pile of useless stuff that someday your relatives will be selling at a garage sale.

7. Teach your children about money. Instead of simply providing them with money, a financial education is one of the most valuable gifts you can give.

8. Give back to others some of your good fortune. It will come back to you in ways that you will not expect.

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Recruiting and retention efforts pay off

BY STAFF SGT. QUINTON YOUNG

Approximately one year ago the 114th Fighter Wing was overmanned at 102 percent, but with the addition of more aircraft the unit found itself down to 92 percent manning. Although 92 percent is an impressive number the recruiters of the 114th Fighter Wing strive to maintain 100 percent or better at all times.

Within one year our recruiters have put forth an amazing effort and brought the unit back up to 99.5 percent with only 5 positions remaining to be filled. The main goal of the recruiters now is awareness. They will be concentrating on during events such as the Air Show, Career Days and multiple school visits.

"We find that when we visit people about the Guard it is usually the Army NG that they are familiar with, and they didn't even know the Air Guard was there," said Tech. Sgt. Jake Lackas, 114th FW recruiter. "So awareness is our main goal right now."

Along with recruiting, retention is a very important section. There are several incentives and options for current members to make their decision to stay with the unit. The biggest news in the retention world right now is the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

"One of the main changes with the Post-9/11 GI Bill is that the unit member will have the option to transfer their GI Bill benefits to a spouse and/or children," said Master Sgt. Becky Langloss of the 114th Retention Office. More information on this program will be in the June Thunderbumper

With an excellent recruiting and retention effort the 114th Fighter Wing is as strong as ever and ready to face any and all challenges laid before it.

More information on the Post 9/11 GI Bill can be found by visiting www.gibill.va.gov or contacting Master Sgt. Becky Langloss.

Checking out the Air Guard: Career day at Joe Foss Field



PHOTO BY MASTER SGT. NANCY AUSLAND

^ Master Sgt. Todd Hornstra, aircraft armament system specialist with the 114th Fighter Wing, explains some of the duties he and his counterparts perform as part of their careers in the Air National Guard.

Career Day 2009 a big success

SUBMITTED BY STAFF SGT. JESSICA LARSON

Career Day is an annual event held by the 114th Fighter Wing recruiters to show interested high school and college students some of the many career opportunities available in the South Dakota Air National Guard. This year's Career Day was held April 15.

It was the largest turnout ever for a career day event at Joe Foss Field. Over 130 attendees from 25 area high schools and colleges were able to explore career opportunities within the Air National Guard.

Five critical career fields were showcased this year: Aircraft Maintenance, Phase, Aircraft Electrical/Environmental, Armament Systems, and Life Support

Participants had the opportunity to watch a jet launch and interact with crew chiefs and pilots. Shop tours were followed by a presentation on the benefits of the Air National Guard.

After a full day at the 114th, participants left with a better understanding of the Air National Guard opportunities available to them.



PHOTO BY MASTER SGT. NANCY AUSLAND

^ Taylor Wrighton (left) and Sam Goossen (right), students at Marion High School, join other Career Day attendees to watch an F-16 take off at Joe Foss Field.



PHOTO BY MASTER SGT. NANCY AUSLAND

^ Barry Wood, a sophomore at Alcester-Hudson High School, observes Tech. Sgt. Cory Jorgensen as he works on an F-16 aircraft. Jorgensen is a maintenance job controller with the 114th Avionics section.

< Senior Master Sgt. Michael Hakinson, aircrew flight equipment technician with the 175th Fighter Squadron, shares details of his career field.

Force Support Squadron merges organizations



PHOTO BY MASTER SGT. CHRISTOPHER STEWART

BY LT. COL. TAMI MIELKE

The standup-up of the 114th Force Support Squadron merged Personnel and Services into one squadron effective April 1. FSS is part of a program action decision approved by the Chief of Staff of the Air Force as a total force initiative. This new organization streamlines processes, maximizes support to members and families, and improves operational efficiency associated with maintaining two separate organizations.

The new FSS combines: Force Development Flight, Manpower and Personnel Flight, Airman and Family Services Flight, Sustainment Services Flight, and Recruiting & Retention.

The Air Force looked for opportunities to join similar entities and functions which was one of the driving forces behind the merger. A primary example is a casualty situation. Casualty Affairs, Mortuary Affairs and the Family Liaison Officer programs worked closely, but fell under different organizations and commanders. Each cares for the families of fallen Airmen and will now be organized as one team. This merger also helps streamline the way the Air Force provides services to Airmen and their families. When it comes to people programs, family support and quality of life there will be one organization that handles it all. Completion of this initiative Air Force-wide is expected by 2010.

This squadron will provide cradle-to-grave support during an Airman's entire career from the time of enlistment through retirement and beyond. Whether it involves feeding, lodging, training and developing, promoting, deploying members and caring for their families, to retiring the member or providing burial entitlements,



this squadron's focus is all things people.

Enlisted Airmen AFSCs will not change below the superintendent level, however officer career fields will change dramatically as Personnel & Manpower and Services AFSCs are combined into a new career field. The officers and superintendents will need to fully understand the full range and spectrum of all functions within FSS.

As we embark on this new transformation one thing will remain constant: providing outstanding support to commanders, members and families from the front line to the home front.



PHOTO BY MASTER SGT. CHRISTOPHER STEWART
Col. Steven C. Warren, 114th Mission Support Group commander, hands Lt. Col. Tamara D. Mielke, 114th Force Support Squadron commander, the new 114th FSS flag during the stand up ceremony at Joe Foss Field on May 3.

Chaplain's Corner

BY CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) HARRISON LIPPERT



SDANG FILE PHOTO

I was just checking the news this past week when I came across the article of an Iowa soldier killed in Iraq. I mentioned the headline out loud and some young man in the room said, "Why is that news?"

The question itself causes a visceral reaction, a reaction agitated by the further revelation in the article that this young soldier left behind a wife and three young daughters. "Why is that news?"

Perhaps the young man sensed a reaction building and the need to justify his question. He said, "I don't understand why they put that in the papers. He signed up for that. He knew he was signing up to fight and so this isn't news."

I checked the urge to respond because I really wasn't sure how to respond. I left the room and went for a brief walk with that question rolling around in my brain, "Why is that news?"

Perhaps this young man has played one too many games of "Call of Duty". Where you shoot enemy soldiers at short range without psychological trauma and when you die you just start over. The main objective is to get to a check point and save your progress. Maybe there is too little sense of the high cost of the call of duty.

If I follow his logic then the real news story is that hundreds of thousands of young men and women are signing up to lay their lives on the line. In spite of, or more likely because of, the great sacrifice paid by this soldier and his young family, people continue to sign on the line.

Jesus said, "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13, NIV) "That is News!"

**UTA Religious Service
Schedule:**
Catholic 7:15-8:00
Ops Auditorium
Protestant 7:15-8:00
Dining Hall

101 critical days of summer

BY STAFF SGT. MIRANDA SKILES

Memorial Day is approaching, fast marking the beginning of the 101 Critical Days of Summer Safety campaign. This campaign is an effort to increase personal risk awareness and thereby reduce the number of summer mishaps and fatalities.

Heat stress is always a danger. Protect yourself by drinking plenty of water, dressing appropriately, using sunscreen, and getting plenty of rest.

Popular leisure activities pose potential hazards that may go unnoticed. Be sure you have thought through all the possible risks before the opportunity for an accident to occur presents itself. If you and your family take part in outdoor activities, be sure to play safe so nobody gets hurt.

Remember that during the spring and summer season, joggers are out more frequently and all drivers need to be watching for them. Also, joggers, make sure you are wearing reflective clothing during hours of dusk and darkness, and stay on pathways and sidewalks rather than the street when possible.

When at the lake: Boating, swimming, personal watercraft and other water sports always involve the risk of drowning, so be sure to follow these tips to stay afloat. Never swim alone unless there is a lifeguard on duty. Constantly supervise children in and around water. Learn and practice basic lifesaving techniques including first aid and CPR. Always wear a life jacket in a boat or on a personal watercraft. Don't overload a boat, and never stand up in a boat. Be aware of bad weather and get off the water in the event of lightning or a storm. Follow all rules and regulations. They are intended to protect you. Refrain from consuming alcohol while around water.

Grilling: It's outdoor grilling time in South Dakota! Read and follow the directions for your grill and its proper maintenance. Place the grill in an open area outdoors. Never use a lighted grill indoors – carbon monoxide poisoning may result. Keep children and pets away from a hot grill. Observe all precautions to avoid food poisoning. Remember to check your propane tank for damage as well as the hose for cracks and bugs. Never use your grill in an enclosed area such as a garage or under the ceiling of an enclosed deck. Keep your grill as far away from a flammable building or structure as possible. For those that use fire pits, make sure they are

extinguished before you leave them!

Insect stings and bites: *Bees, wasps, and hornets:* Don't pull out the stinger; scrape it out with a blunt-edged object. Wash the area with soap and water. Apply a cold pack and a baking soda and water paste for 15 to 20 minutes. Give acetaminophen for pain. *Spiders:* Most spiders in the US are harmless, excluding the black widow and the brown recluse. Follow same procedure as with stings. *Ticks:* Use tweezers to firmly grasp the tick at its head or mouth, near your skin. Pull firmly and steadily on the tick until it lets go, then swab the bite with alcohol. Do not use petroleum jelly or a lit match to kill a tick.

Camping: Plan ahead. Think about what you might encounter. Familiarize yourself with the surroundings. Pack clothes for all types of weather. Don't consume food or water found in the wilderness. Be aware of poisonous plants and wildlife in the area. Don't feed or approach wild animals. Pack the essential items: map, compass, flashlight with batteries and bulbs, extra food, extra clothing and raingear, sunglasses and sunscreen, pocketknife, matches in a waterproof container, candle or fire starter, and a first-aid kit.

Severe weather: Are you prepared for disaster? You could be anywhere, work, school, or in your car. By preparing in advance and working together as a team, families can cope with any weather emergency or disaster. The Severe Weather Preparedness Guide is located at www.oem.sd.gov/Publications.htm

These are just a few of the many things you can do to make your summer fun and safe. Remember to always think about safety - for yourself and those who depend on you as well.

The 101 critical days of summer run from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

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SDANG members donate to community blood bank

BY MASTER SGT. CHRIS STEWART



PHOTO BY 1ST LT. MICHAEL FRYE

The Blood Mobile visited Joe Foss Field May 2 to collect donations from unit members.

The Sioux Falls Community Blood Bank's Blood Mobile has been coming to Joe Foss Field to collect donations from the South Dakota Air National Guard since 1993. At one time, the 114th Fighter Wing was one of the Blood Mobile's top donors. However over the past couple of years, the numbers have declined.

Dave Liesinger, Blood Mobile operator, said he thinks unit deployments are the culprit. Those who deploy have to wait a minimum of one year after they return from deployment before they can donate again. Additionally, most have to receive vaccinations before they deploy so combined with the one year wait and the actual time spent overseas members are not eligible to donate for over a year due to a single deployment.

Saturday, May 2, the Blood Mobile received 25 donations on its visit to Joe Foss Field. According to Liesinger, this is twice as many as they have received in other months in 2009. It will still be a few more months before Airmen from the last base-wide deployment are able to donate again, so they are hoping to see these numbers increase.

When asked why they donate, unit members have different and sometimes personal reasons for donating. Some donate because they have had family members or friends

who have needed blood in the past. Others, like Master Sgt. Eric Tidemann, donate because they have a rare blood type and feel it is important that they help out. Some others do it for the free t-shirt.

Whatever the reason for donating, it is a great way to help the community. Individuals are encouraged to step up and donate if they are capable.



PHOTO BY 1ST LT. MICHAEL FRYE

Peggy Collins, a phlebotomist with the community blood bank prepares Master Sgt. Chris Stewart's arm for donation.



PHOTO BY 1ST LT. MICHAEL FRYE

Dave Liesinger, with the community blood bank, enters patient information for a blood donor.



PHOTO BY 1ST LT. MICHAEL FRYE

Master Sgt. Eric Tidemann watches as a community blood bank worker prepares his arm for donation.



Dentistry takes flight with S. D. Air National Guard

FROM UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DENTISTRY MAGAZINE



PHOTO BY JESSE EKEREN

When third-year dental student Clark Hunstad was a cadet at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, being a dentist was the farthest thing from his mind. He was a parachute instructor and jumpmaster on the Academy's "Wings of Blue" parachute demonstration team and made over 620 free fall jumps. He graduated from USAFA with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1990 and his sights were set on flying jets.

He went to pilot training school and flew F-16s for the Air Force. During his active duty Air Force career, he received a master's degree in Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He was also an F-16 instructor pilot and a flight commander in an operational fighter squadron. Currently, he

has over 2400 flight hours in the F-16.

During his tour of duty, he was stationed in Oklahoma, Utah, Arizona, Texas, and finally, South Korea. There, he became friends with a fellow fighter pilot, Nate Graber, who like Hunstad, hails from South Dakota. "His father is a dentist and he suggested I look him up when I went back," says Hunstad. At the time, that just seemed like a passing conversation.

By 2000, Hunstad's active-duty Air Force commitment was up, and he was ready to move on to a mostly civilian

life. Returning to South Dakota with his wife Roxanne and two children, Hunstad joined the South Dakota Air National Guard, again flying F-16s. As so many Air Force pilots do, he also got a full-time job in commercial aviation, flying B-727s for a major carrier based in Chicago. "But my timing wasn't the best," he said. The events of 9/11, 2001, dealt a severe blow to the travel industry, and airlines in particular, ending Hunstad's short career as a commercial pilot. He got a temporary full-time job with his National Guard fighter squadron, which at that time had plenty for him to do. "We got real busy after 9/11," he says. Soon after that, Roxanne, who was a travel agent, returned to school to become a dental hygienist.

This was the perfect time to contemplate his next career move and that process moved forward every time he visited his new dentist, Denny Graber. Hunstad had indeed looked up the Sioux Falls dentist and father of his flying buddy in South Korea. "I noticed that he had pictures of jets on the wall," says Hunstad. He and Graber, as it turned out, had a lot in common.

Graber had flown F-100s and F-4s, which he calls "hot rod jets," in the South Dakota Air National Guard. Eventually, talk turned from jets to dentistry. Graber remembers, "I knew Clark was thinking about his next career. Each time he visited the dental office, I could see the wheels turning." Says Hunstad, "I remember those talks and thinking that dentistry sounds like a neat thing and wondering how Denny made the transition into the profession."

Graber shared his enthusiasm for both flying and dentistry. "Clark had gone to the Academy, so I knew he could handle dental school," says Graber. "The Academy is challenging. For example, they give you more to do than you have time for and they make you prioritize." His encouragement proved to be the tipping point for Hunstad's new career choice.

Now a lieutenant colonel in the South Dakota Air National Guard, Hunstad still flies whenever he has a break from school. So, while many students hit the beach, he spends his spring breaks at places such as Langley Air Force Base, Virginia. "I love flying," he says, "so it's fun to be able to keep up those skills while serving in the Air Guard."

Looking forward to the Sioux Falls Air Show

BY 1ST LT. MICHAEL FRYE

There will be many exciting events during the 2009 Sioux Falls Air Show, including a demonstration of the Air Force's newest fighter aircraft, the F-22 Raptor.

Its combination of stealth, supercruise, maneuverability, and integrated avionics, coupled with improved supportability, represents an exponential leap in warfighting capabilities. The Raptor performs both air-to-air and air-to-ground missions, allowing full realization of operational concepts vital to the 21st century Air Force.

The F-22A, a critical component of the Global Strike Task Force, is designed to project air dominance, rapidly and at great distances and defeat threats attempting to deny access to our nation's Air Force, Army, Navy and Marine Corps. The F-22A cannot be matched by any known or projected fighter aircraft.

You can learn more about the F-22 Raptor by visiting the Air Force Fact Sheet website at www.af.mil/factsheets and clicking on F-22 Raptor in the right-hand column.

The 2009 Sioux Falls Air Show is schedule to take place at Joe Foss Field July 25-26. Check out the Air Show website for more information. www.siouxfallsairshow.com.



Medical Moment: *Made in the shades*



SUBMITTED BY LT. COL. RUTH SIEM

Cheap sunglasses may cost you less, but they may just as likely protect against the effects of harmful sun as expensive sunglasses.

According to Dr. Donald J. D'Amico, chair of ophthalmology at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center, there is no way for you to be sure you are getting ultraviolet or UV protection from sunglasses—no matter how much you pay for them.

Even if sunglasses are labeled “UV absorbing” or “UV blocking,” there are no guarantees your eyes will be protected from harmful sun rays.

Know this:

- Buy from reputable companies for quality assurance.
- If you have light-colored eyes, such as blue and green, you are often more sensitive to bright sunlight than people with darker eye shades.
- If you wear contact lenses, you are least likely to want to wear sunglasses. But glasses are helpful in preventing the drying effect most contact lens wearers get from warm wind. UV protection in contact lenses are the most effective in blocking all UV entering the eye.
- While not always true, the darkness of sunglasses will indicate greater UV protection—at least if they comply with the ANSI Z80.3 industry standard. Read the label.
- Vehicle window tints are not a replacement for sunglasses, but windshields screen out and are very effective in absorbing both UVA and UVB rays (because of the internal shatter-proof laminate).
- Parents should purchase UV-protected sunglasses for their children with wraparound design and keep infants' eyes shaded.

Finance

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Fiscal responsibility is essential to creating a better, stronger, more prosperous nation for the next generation. The choices we make today -- or fail to make -- will determine what kind of future our children and grandchildren inherit 20 and 40 years from now. Financial planning isn't just about getting as much money as possible, or getting as much stuff as you can. That's silly. Financial planning is about creating a material plan for your life that fits what you want to do and who you want to be. It's that simple. Wealth isn't just the paper stuff we use at the store, or the “ones and zeros” in our bank account. Money is more; dollars and cents are just currency. The TV you choose, the car you buy, the house you rent, the vacation you take, the job you have, the flavored coffees you drink — these are all part of your financial plan.

Your financial plan isn't about getting lots of stuff you don't want — it's about creating a lifestyle that's perfect for you. That might include lots of work, lots of stuff, or none of the above. That's the beauty of it... it's *your* plan for *your* needs.

South Dakota Honor Flight takes off from Joe Foss Field

STORY AND PHOTOS BY MASTER SGT. NANCY AUSLAND



World War II veteran and former U.S. Marine fighter pilot Claude Hone waits with other veterans to board the South Dakota Honor Flight.

120 World War II veterans on board.

The trip is a charter direct to Washington, D.C. for a two-day visit to the World War II memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, and other sites honoring service men and women. The program is free to veterans, while guardians who provide medical and other support travel along at their own expense.

South Dakota is planning flights from various departure points around the state this

year.

In the early morning hours of May 1, the Sioux Falls airport was packed with some of the most prestigious South Dakotans alive today.

The inaugural flight of the South Dakota Honor Flight departed for Washington, D.C. with over

One of the distinguished veterans on this first flight was Claude Hone. Hone enlisted as a Marine and served as a fighter pilot aboard the carrier Wasp. He flew support in the invasion of Guam, Saipan, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa. He was one of the first eight marine pilots to strafe Tokyo airfield as the Zeros were taking off.

Hone returned to the Sioux Falls area in 1945 and also has the distinction of being the first South Dakota Real Estate Licensee – Number 1 – fifty-four years ago.

You may be familiar with his trademark question, “What On Earth Do You Want?” Hone is well-known in the Sioux Falls area and is proud to tell you that he is one of the few pilots who actually flew with the great Joe Foss.

Hone's story is just one of many stories of courage

and valor that can be shared by our surviving World War II veterans. The South Dakota Honor Flight is one way we can recognize these great Americans and their contributions to our freedom.



South Dakota Governor M. Michael Rounds was on hand at the departure ceremony held at the Sioux Falls airport May 1 for the inaugural flight of the South Dakota Honor Flight.



Moving In

Tech. Sgt.

Brian J. Mundahl, 114 FW

Staff Sgt.

Paul E. Henry, 114 MXS
 Mary K. Snyder, 114 OSF
 Dawn M. Whaler, 114 MXS

Senior Airman

Wilhelm K. Bowers, 114 AMXS
 Megan W. Carter, 114 MDG

Airman 1st Class

Emma R. Coyle, 114 AMXS
 Brandon E. Dewerd, 114 MXS
 Patrick S. Elkjer, 114 AMXS
 Benjamin J. Hammer, 114 AMXS
 Matthew J. Hill, 114 MXS
 Jessi N. Johnson, 114 AMXS
 Robert L. Kurtenbach, Jr, 114 AMXS
 Shane P. Madsen, 114 MXS
 Troy L. Pock, 114 MXS
 Peter P. Rosberg, 114 AMXS
 Chad R. Swier, 114 AMXS
 Austin R. Werkmeister, 114 AMXS

Airman Basic

Johnathon R. Dorale, 114 MXS
 Ethan G. Gacke, 114 AMXS
 Matthew R. Hill, 114 AMXS
 Nathan R. Kerkvliet, 114 AMXS
 Jamie R. Krempges, 114 MXS
 Aaron M. Lloyd, 114 MXS
 Ethan D. May, 114 MXS
 Jordan M. Robertson, 114 AMXS
 Dustin M. Welbig, 114AMXS

Moving Up

To Tech. Sgt.

Tommy R. Beaner, 114 AMXS
 Sean L. Gilsdorf, 114 MXS
 William E. Phillips, 114 MXG

To Staff Sgt.

Erin J. Bobeldyk, 114 FW
 Ross J. Brown, 114 MXS
 Christopher J. Heinemann, 114 MX
 Kelsi M. Larsen, 114 SVF
 Casey D. Minor, 114 STUF
 Jami L. Svoboda, 114 CES
 Lance W. Wilde, 114 MXS
 Quinton C. Young, 114 FW

To Senior Airman

Naomi M. Boom, 114 FW
 Seth H. Horstman, 114 AMXS
 Shaun A. McNeely, 114 SFS
 Lawrence B. Urrutia, 114 AMXS
 John M. Whalen, 114 MXS

Moving On

Master Sgt. Leroy A. Lohmiller, will retire May 31 with over 28 years of service.



Senior Master Sgt. Dean Roemen, 114th civil engineer squadron logistics management specilaist, celebrated his technician retirement here May 1. Roemen's will retire from his military position in September.

Vacancies

The 114th Fighter Wing has the following jobs available for part time employment.

- **Aircraft Maintenance**
School - 23 weeks
- **Phase Maintenance**
School - 23 weeks
- **Tire Shop**
School - 23 weeks
- **A/C Electrical Environmental**
School - 18 weeks
- **Aerospace Ground Equipment**
School - 22 weeks
- **Special Vehicle Mechanic-Fire Truck**
School - 16 weeks
- **Public Health**
School - 14 weeks

Non-prior service personnel may enlist up to grade E-3. Call the Recruiting Office for more details at 1-800-432-0182 or 988-5718.

Recruiters

Senior Master Sgt. Brian Voges
 Master Sgt. Jon Goehring
 Master Sgt. Eric Tidemann
 Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Lackas
 Staff Sgt. Jessica Larson

Upcoming events

- July 25-26 - Sioux Falls Air Show
- June - Fishing Tourney
- August - National Softball Tourney
- May, June, August - Fit Testing

Retiree Coffee Dates

- June 9
- July 14
- August 11

Mark your calendars!

Congratulations to all!



Members of the 114th Fighter Wing Civil Engineer Squadron, currently deployed to Southwest Asia, pause for a minute from their duties to have a picture taken. Deployed since late last year, the unit is scheduled to return this summer.

