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Ohio Army National Guard member to be inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame posthumously

COLUMBUS – Capt. Robert L. Queisser will be inducted posthumously into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame on 8 November. He was a successful businessman in both Zanesville and Cleveland and an Ohio Army National Guard veteran. As the father of two sons who served in World War I, he designed the Blue Star Service Flag in 1917 as a symbol of their overseas service. The flag quickly became adopted by both government and the public to honor children deployed in the Armed Forces, and appears in paintings by Norman Rockwell. This flag remains in use today.



The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame will induct the Class of 2012 in a ceremony at 11 a.m. November 8 at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force in Dayton. The Ohio veterans' community and members of the public are cordially invited to attend and honor the 15 Ohioans in this year's class who are joining the 428 others who are enshrined in the Hall.

The Hall is dedicated to recognizing Ohio veterans who, after their military service, put their skills and abilities to work in their local communities – and by their continued service and positive accomplishments, inspired their fellow citizens.

“This will be a great day to honor 15 Ohioans who have served both their country and community, particularly in such a distinctive venue as the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force, surrounded by exhibits honoring other great men and women who've served our nation,” said Tom Moe, Director of the Ohio Department of Veterans Services and a 2009 inductee of the Hall. “The men and women we're honoring in the Hall of Fame's Class of 2012 represent one of the greatest things about our veterans' community – that when someone leaves the military, they very often continue to serve.”

The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame was established in 1992 by former Gov. George Voinovich to recognize the post-military achievements of outstanding veterans. Charter members of the Hall's Class of 1993 included the six Ohio military veterans who were elected President of the United States and all Medal of Honor recipients from Ohio. Honorees of the past 18 years include astronauts, government officials, police officers, community leaders, and veterans' advocates.

The Hall of Fame Executive Committee, comprised entirely of veterans, serves as advisors for the Hall of Fame and selects no more than 20 inductees annually from nominations provided by all citizens of Ohio. Men and women chosen for induction into the Hall come from all eras, all branches of service and all walks of life. The members of the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame are honored in a permanent display on the second floor of the Riffe Center in downtown Columbus.

(Source: <http://dvs.ohio.gov/Portals/0/library/odvs/newsletter/2012/ODVNewsletter>)

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Ohio National Guard units currently deployed

Air units:

121st Air Refueling Wing
 123rd Air Control Squadron
 178th Fighter Wing
 180th Fighter Wing
 123rd Air Control Squadron
 251st Combat Communications Group

Army units:

Operational Mentoring & Liaison Team 1.8, 1.9
 1486 Transportation Company
 323 Military Police Company
 2-174 Air Defense Artillery Regiment
 Task Force Grant 174th ADA
 Company B, 3-238th Aviation Regiment

(current as of 10/23/12)

About 630 Ohio National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are deployed

Brig. Gen. James C. "JC" Witham next Deputy Director Air National Guard

ARLINGTON, Va. – Air Force Brig. Gen. James C. "JC" Witham has been named the next Deputy Director of the Air National Guard. Witham had served as the Chief of Staff of the California National Guard and the commander of that state's Air National Guard.

As deputy director, Witham will be part of the leadership team responsible for formulating, developing and coordinating all policies, plans and programs affecting more than 106,000 Air Guard members in more than 88 flying wings and 200 geographically separated units throughout the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.



"Witham is the right person at the right time," says Lt. Gen. Harry Wyatt III, Air National Guard Director.

(Source: <http://www.nationalguard.mil/news/archives/2012/10/101112-Air.aspx>)

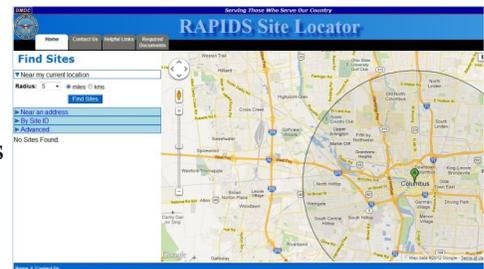
Military Identification Cards: Where can I get it and what ID do I need?

Military retiree identification cards and dependent identification cards issuance sites are located across Ohio.

Where these sites are and the forms of ID needed for issuance can be found at:

<http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl/appj/site?execution=e8s1>

The website will enable you to find the location nearest you and provides contact information for each site. Please contact your local site in advance to verify hours of operation.



An important step to ID card issuance is to verify your identity. This requires two forms of identification be presented and your information be entered into the Defense Enrollment and Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). One form of identification must be a photo ID issued by a state or federal agency.

Please bring two of these common forms of identification:

- DoD Identification Card (DoD Sponsor or DoD Family Member card issued to you)
- Driver's License
- U.S. Passport
- Photo ID Card issued by federal, state, or local government
- Birth certificate
- Social Security Card

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Dates to Remember:**November 2 -**

Det 21, OSACOM Call to Duty, Air Guard Auditorium, Rickenbacker ANGB at 1:00 p.m.

November 3 -

437th MP BN Change of Command at 4:00 p.m. at Rickenbacker Army Enclave; Incoming Capt. Nicole Norris, Outgoing Capt. Kelly Laurence

November 2-3 -

Ft Knox annual retiree event, at the Leaders Club at Ft Knox. POC: CSM (Ret) Newell at 740-893-3513

November 4 -

2nd BN (GS), 147th Regiment (RTI) Change of Command at 2:00 p.m.; Incoming Lt. Col. Greg Roberts, Outgoing Lt. Col. Neal O'Brien

November 8 -

Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame Induction at 11:00 a.m. at the USAF Museum in Dayton; POC: Karen Kish at 614-752-8941 or karen.kish@dvs.ohio.gov

November 10 -

37 IBCT Change of Command at 1:30 p.m. at Beightler Armory Drill Floor; Incoming Col. Gordon Ellis, Outgoing Col. James Perry

112th Motor Transport BN 6th Annual Veterans Day Ball at 7:30 p.m.; Dayton Convention Center. POC 2Lt. Hornacek at shannon.hornacek@us.army.mil

December 1 -

HHD, 112th Motor Transport BN at 11:00 a.m. at North Canton Armory; Incoming 1Lt. Aaron McMahon, Outgoing Capt. Davena Milich

112th Motor Transport BN Change of Command at 2:00 p.m. at North Canton Armory; Incoming Maj. Patrick Hinton, Outgoing Lt. Col. Greg Robinette

Monique Muncy honored with second-highest private award

WASHINGTON (10/11/12) - Three decades of selfless service to Airmen and their families recently earned Monique L. Muncy the prestigious Chief of Staff of the Air Force Award for Exceptional Public Service at a luncheon at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, D.C.

As the wife of recently retired Chief Master Sgt. Christopher E. Muncy, command chief of the Air National Guard, Monique Muncy dedicated herself for more than 30 years to improving the lives of Air National Guard Airmen and their families.



The CSAF for Exceptional Public Service award, according to the citation, is given to those who exhibit “dedication, patriotism and personal sacrifice resulting in significant contributions to the Air Force.” Since 2007, only been nine have been awarded. Muncy’s award, presented Sept. 20, was the first Air National Guard nomination.

“I’m in my 41st year of serving and I have never presented this particular award. It is that rare,” said Lt. Gen. Harry M. Wyatt, III, director of the Air National Guard, who presented the award.

Muncy’s influence began as an Ohio Air National Guard member. She served for 20 years and retired as a technical sergeant in 2001. A graduate of Miami University, Ohio, and the Community College of the Air Force, she is a former Airman Leadership School and Non-Commissioned Officer Academy instructor.

In the early 1990s, she was instrumental in establishing the first Family Support Group for the 269th Combat Communications Squadron and the 251st Combat Communications Group based at Springfield Air National Guard Base, Ohio. Despite frequent deployments, the support group was credited with keeping families connected during the separations.

Always an innovator, Muncy recognized a need for family advocacy after attending a National Conference at the White House sponsored by first lady Michelle Obama. Inspired, Muncy designed and produced the first Air National Guard Family Guide. It’s a comprehensive guide that addresses topics from life in the Air National Guard to managing deployments. Based on her military and personal experience as a spouse and parent of deployed Airmen, she knew what information spouses, parents and children of deploying service members needed.

Muncy honed her family advocacy skills while working for the Air Force at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. She currently serves as the administrative assistant to the chair of the English Department for Cedarville University in Cedarville, Ohio.

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2012 Regional Inter-Service Family Assistance Committee Meetings:

Region 1 - January 24

Region 2 - January 16

Region 3 - January 22

Region 4 - January 29

Region 5 - January 15

Region 6 - January 9

For questions regarding the time or place of RISFAC meetings, contact Sgt. Michael Carden at (614) 336-4135



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Retirement Packets

Retirement packets are mailed to your last known mailing address. If you change addresses before your 59th birthday, make sure you contact the office below so they will know where to send your packet.

You will need to send the packet back to receive your retirement pay. Make sure you include the following forms: NGB Form 22, DD Form 214(s), NGB Form 23, 20yr letter and SBP election. If you are missing any of the above documents, please contact Ms. Jeanette Coughenour at 614-336-7038 (ONG HQs) for assistance.

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The Ft. Knox Retiree Council: Advocating for You

The Ft. Knox retiree council is responsible for approximately 120,000 army retirees in Ohio as well as retirees in four other states. Army retiree councils are established by regulation for the purpose of representing army retirees' interest and concerns to the army chain of command.

The Ft. Knox council meets quarterly and as necessary. The mission of the council is twofold: to present issues of concern from the retired community to legislators and the Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs and to represent retiree concerns to the command at Ft. Knox, making recommendations on how the garrison can better serve retirees.

Current council members for Ohio are Command Sgt. Maj. (Ret.) Rodney Newell - Chair, Lt. Col. (Ret.) William Lamont, Sgt. Maj. (Ret.) Sherman Nicol, Master Sgt. (Ret.) Glenda Nicol and Brig. Gen. (Ret.) James Abraham - member emeritus. Council members are appointed by the commander at Ft. Knox without regard to component retired from.

The council normally meets the third Friday of the month in January, April, July and October. All retirees are welcome to attend. Please call the retiree service office (RSO) for the exact date and location of the meetings.

For more information, please contact the RSO at 502-624-1765 or CSM (Ret.) Newell at 740-893-3513, or use www.knox.army.mil/garrison/dhr/ag/mpd/rso