

## Squadron sets the bar high with 100k hours

By Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Shirar, 173rd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.** -- On Feb. 1, 2010 the 114th Fighter Squadron participated in a routine training mission that is standard at the F-15 schoolhouse. However, as the first F-15 landed on the snow-covered runway following the mission, a significant milestone was reached; since the inception of the air defense school house at Kingsley Field in 1983 there have been over 100,000 hours flown.

“This is a significant event for the 114th Fighter Squadron and the 173rd Fighter Wing. It represents a milestone for all of the members of Kingsley Field, past and present,” said Lt. Col. Robert Erickson, 114th Fighter Squadron Commander.

This accumulation of flight hours was amassed from time spent in the cockpit of the F-4 Phantom, F-16 Fighting Falcon and the F-15 Eagle.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Shirar  
An F-15 Eagle from the 173rd Fighter Wing takes off down the runway for a routine training mission at Kingsley Field, Klamath Falls, Ore.

“100,000 flying hours is the grand total of hours flown since the ANG started business here in the early 1980’s flying the F-4 Phantom. 100,000 flying hours encompasses all of the hours flown in the F-4 Phantom, the F-16 Fighting Falcon and the F-15 Eagle,” he added.

The squadron was also recently recognized for their excellence when it comes to not only getting aircraft in the air, but doing it safely, a number one priority for the 114th FS.

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Photo by Amn. Jennifer Reese  
Maj. Anthony Dicarlo stands next to an Oregon Air National Guard F-15. Dicarlo was named the 19th Air Force Air-to-Air Fighter Pilot Instructor of the Year 2009.

## AETC awards Kingsley instructor pilot top honors

By Tech. Sgt. Jefferson Thompson, 173rd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.** -- One of the 173rd Fighter Wing’s own was named 19th Air Force 2009 Air-to-Air Fighter Pilot Instructor of the Year.

Maj. Anthony “Too Tall” Dicarlo, an F-15 instructor pilot with the 114th Fighter Squadron, earned the award for his exemplary performance last year.

“Major Dicarlo’s stellar performance and dedication to producing the finest F-15 pilots in the world are just some of the traits that help make the 114th Fighter Squadron and the 173rd Fighter Wing, world class organizations,” Col. Jim Miller, 173rd FW Commander, said. “Heartfelt congratulations to “Too Tall” and to all those who work hard every day to make Kingsley the finest unit in the Air Force!”

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# Oregon Air Guard pilot surpasses 2,000 flying hours

Photos and Story by Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Shirar, 173rd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.** -- An Oregon Air National Guard F-15 Eagle pilot reached the 2,000 flight-hour milestone, Feb. 12, 2010.

Maj. Jeffery Smith, an instructor pilot and the Chief of F-15 training for the 114th Fighter Squadron at Kingsley Field in Klamath Falls, Ore., crossed that threshold during a routine training mission.

Smith is self effacing when asked to reflect on his achievement.

“While on active duty, I was the ‘old, experienced’ guy with my 1,200 hours. I came here (Kingsley Field) with about 1500 hours in 2005 and brought down the (Squadron) average. Now, at least, I’m average,” Smith said as he laughed.

Smith graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1995 and completed F-15 FTU at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., in December 1997. After spending 10-and-half years in the active duty Air Force, Smith joined the Oregon Air National Guard and became part of the 114th Fighter Squadron.

“It’s an honor to fly with such

a talented group of instructor pilots here at Kingsley Field,” he said.

Smith has received many accolades in the more than 12 years he has spent flying the F-15, including the U.S. Air Force Weapons School Outstanding Graduate in 2002.

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Maj. David Unruh, 173rd Fighter Wing Instructor Pilot, places a 2,000 hour patch on the shoulder of Maj. Jeffrey Smith.



Smith lands the F-15 Eagle following a routine training mission that marked his 2,000 hour flying the F-15 Eagle

## Instructors at Kingsley received top award two years running

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Photo by TSgt. Jennifer Shirar

Dicarlo prepares to take off in an F-15 during a training mission at Kingsley Field.

Dicarlo credits the organization for the honor.

“This award really reflects the quality of our entire instructor pilot cadre. Last year another Kingsley Instructor Pilot, Maj. Jeffrey “Thug” Edwards was recognized, so this award is a repeat for the 173rd Fighter Wing,” Dicarlo said.

Dicarlo arrived at

the base in 2005 after leaving active duty at Kadena Air Base, Japan.

“Being an F-15 Instructor Pilot is an absolute privilege,” he said. “I love the daily challenges that an Eagle driver must tackle to personalize the training needed to graduate a quality wingman for the Combat Air Forces. Kingsley Field has a

long history of doing just that and I am proud to serve as one of the IPs in the wing.”

Previously he participated in an exchange pilot program with the German Air Force at Holloman AFB, N.M, flying the F-4.

Dicarlo has logged more than 2,600 hours of flying, including 500 hours in the F-4.

# Smith marks personal milestone in F-15

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“The F-15 is the only fighter I wanted to fly, and I’m lucky to have flown it for my entire career. It’s easy to fly, but tough to employ,” said Smith.



Maj. Jeffrey Smith is greeted by his two year old son.

The 173rd Fighter Wing in Klamath Falls is one of two Oregon Air National Guard wings. The 142nd Fighter Wing is located in Portland, Ore. and conducts an air sovereignty alert mission. The 173rd Fighter Wing is one of two active duty U.S. Air Force F-15 schoolhouses in the nation, and is postured to become the sole provider of F-15 formal training.



Maj. Jeffrey Smith prepares to shut down the aircraft following his 2,000 hour flight.

***“It’s an honor to fly with such a talented group of instructor pilots here at Kingsley Field.”***

***-Maj. Jeffrey Smith***

## Fighter Pilot for a Day

**By Lt. Col. Robert Erickson,  
114th Fighter Squadron Commander**

**KLAMATH FALLS Ore.** -- The 114th Fighter Squadron began a new community program in December of 2009, Fighter Pilot for a Day. Members of the community who have had a difficult time in their life or would benefit from the program are given the opportunity to come out and see what it is like to be a fighter pilot.

Kingsley’s first Fighter Pilot for the Day was young Mr. Levi Greer, a six-year-old boy from Dorris, Calif. Levi has been very sick for the past few years. For Christmas, his grandmother asked him what he wanted most of all. He said to her, “Grandma, I want to go see those fighter jets!”

How could we say anything but, “Yes!”?

At the end of December, Levi came out with his grandmother for an entire day of jets and watching everyone at Kingsley Field work. It was a great Christmas present.

Maj. Sean “Brick” Sullivan is our Fighter Pilot for a Day Project Officer and gave Levi and his grandmother a memory that will last a lifetime.

The plan is to continue this special program in the 114th Fighter Squadron on a quarterly basis. If you know someone who is having a difficult time in life that would benefit from being a Fighter Pilot for a Day, please contact Lt. Col. Robert Erickson, Maj. Sullivan or Mrs. Tami Narramore.



## Kingsley Field Airman boasts unique off-duty career

Story and photos by Tech. Sgt. Jefferson Thompson, 173rd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.** -- One Klamath Falls Airman sits atop the national rankings for his sport and he's been there since joining the unit more than a year ago from his active duty post at McChord Air Force Base in Tacoma, Wash.

Senior Airman Brandon Dye is number two right now for the men's 70 kilogram weight class, according to [www.inthehook.com](http://www.inthehook.com), one place where arm wrestling rankings are maintained for the U.S. and North America.

"It's not a very common sport, but it was more lucrative than wrestling, which I did in college," said Dye.

He went on to say that he augments his salary by a few thousand dollars a year, and his total winnings are in the neighborhood of \$15,000 over the last five years.

The sport has provided Brandon with many interesting stories, but perhaps the most intriguing was his arm wrestling match with pro football player Steve Hutchinson who played for the Seattle Seahawks before joining the Minnesota Vikings in 2006.

"My buddies and I were out and they challenged Steve Hutchison to arm wrestle me, I was like I'm not going to do that, but he was into it and slapped a

hundred bucks on the table so I said ok," said Dye. "I let him say go and I made it look like I was struggling quite a bit, then I rotated him over nice and slow and finished him off."

Dye explains that arm-wrestling is very technique-based and does not rely on brute strength, which is why a 6 foot, 5 inch NFL Guard is unable to best a 165-pound, 5-foot, 7-inch, trained arm wrestler.

The different approaches to a fairly straightforward proposition may surprise many, it turns out that there are many moves and counter-moves which a competitor at this level must be familiar with.

He relates one arm wrestler who fairly small and slight of stature. "He's little and he's got little arms, but he'll just flash you," Dye says, which means that



Senior Airman Brandon Dye practices nearly every Wednesday at Willy's Pizzeria with members of the Klamath Falls Arm Wrestling club. Here he practices with Eric Peterson, the club leader.

in the split second between getting the "green light" and reacting, he reacts so quickly that his competitor doesn't have a chance to resist. It produces an interesting perhaps even comical match, which seems to end before it even begins.

Dye explains the counter-move to this technique is called "catching", or having the strength to react just before your wrist hits the pad and thereby hold off a loss.

It's something he trains for nearly every day.

"I do a lot of calisthenics, pull-ups, different static and negative exercises to develop the lats, biceps, and the forearm--the most important muscle group," Dye said.

He also mentions that the sport features competitors from all walks of life.

"You get all kinds of people in this sport, one guy is a CEO with a major food manufacturer, and another is a doctor, people are surprised we're not all rednecks," Dye said.

And, of course, one Citizen-Airman from Oregon.



Senior Airman Brandon Dye explains some of the finer points of arm wrestling technique during a break at work. Dye works in the 173rd Fighter Wing Finance Office, which he says contrary to opinion just goes to show that the sport is full of all types of people.

# FINANCE & TRAVEL

## Finance Office offers tips for Drill Status & AGR Guard members during March UTA

By Staff Sgt. Justin Love, 173rd Finance Office

Welcome to March drill. We here at finance have a few friendly reminders for you.

1) BAH-Recertification: You may receive an email requesting you to complete a BAH re-certification. You can obtain the AF Form 594 by picking it up outside the finance office in the document bins, or by visiting our website and printing the fill-

able form under AGR-DSG Entitlements. Remember that any changes in dependency status will require supporting documentation.

2) Travel Pay: It is important to remember that updating your account information on MyPay will not change where your funds are deposited for travel. If you recently changed deposit

accounts and have not updated your travel, please visit finance and fill out a Direct Deposit form to reflect your current information.

3) SGLI and Drill: The Service Group Life Insurance Plan deducts from DSG drill pay when performed.

Unfortunately, if a member misses several drills in a row, the SGLI will deduct the

total premium balance in one lump sum from the next duty performed. This could result in full collection of drill pay.

For any further questions or concerns please contact Staff Sgt. Stephanie Newman at (541) 885-6309.

Thank you and have a wonderful drill!

## Cumulative flight hours for three airframes

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“Although this total number of flying hours has not been accident free, the 173rd FW just received a plaque from the Boeing Corporation signifying our last 40,000 flying hours as accident free; another huge milestone,” said Erickson.

The 114th Fighter Squadron began training pilots in 1983. Known then

as the 8123rd Fighter Interceptor Training Squadron, the squadron trained F-4C pilots and F-4C Weapon Systems Officers. In 1984, upon official recognition, the unit’s name changed

to the 114th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron. The designation changed again in 1992 to the 114th Fighter Squadron.

F-4C pilot training continued until 1988 when the unit converted to an F-16 pilot training schoolhouse.

When the 173rd Fighter Wing was officially activated, the 114th Fighter Squadron became the flying component of the 173rd Fighter Wing



An F-15 Eagle from the 173rd Fighter Wing lands on the snowy runway at Kingsley Field. The completion of this routine training mission marked 100,000 hours flown by the 114th Squadron since its inception in 1984, a significant milestone.



Three Oregon Air National Guard F-15 Eagle from the 173rd Fighter Wing taxi down the snowy flightline at Kingsley Field, Klamath Falls, Ore., Feb. 2, 2010.

and fell under the Operations Group. F-16 pilot training continued for nine years at Kingsley Field and in 1998 the 173rd Fighter Wing converted to the F-15 Eagle. Today, the 114th Fighter Squadron proudly carries on the tradition of training the best fighter pilots in the world.

# 114th Fighter Squadron Named 2009 AETC Fighter Squadron of the year

Commentary by Lt. Col. Robert Erickson, 114th Fighter Squadron Commander

**RANDOLF AIR FORCE BASE, Texas** -- What an accomplishment!

Although it honors the 114th Fighter Squadron specifically, it represents all of the hard work and selflessness of each member of the 173rd Fighter Wing and their families.

Look at what we accomplished during 2009: nearly seven months deployed, all 22 F-15C/Ds deployed to Boise, Idaho, 27 students impeccably trained, more than 250 Guard members deployed, 54 incentive and familiarization sorties flown during SENTRY DISPLACEMENT, \$7 million spent and efficiently managed, a \$10 million runway project back home completed on time.

All of these significant accomplishments, along with every member of Kingsley Field and their families, are honored through this award presented to an Air National Guard unit by an Active Duty Air Force Command.

We can all take great pride in it!



## Congratulations on Your Promotion!

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**Tech. Sgt.**

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**Staff Sgt.**

Joshua Moore  
Joshua Neely  
Nicholas Butler

**Senior Airman**

Daniel Bowman

## Welcome to the Unit!

Senior Airman Daniel Gardner  
Senior Airman Fraser Holmes  
Senior Airman Jason Peterson  
Airman 1st Class Christopher Parkerson  
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Airman Basic Ryan Koscinkski  
Airman Basic Christopher Endacott



# CHAPLAIN'S CHATTER



**By Capt. Kraig Kroeker, 173rd Fighter Wing Chaplain**

Two weeks ago I received some bad news: an old friend, who often called me her younger brother, had cancer- again. In fact, it is her fourth time dealing with the disease.

Though she does not want to be called a hero, she consistently demonstrates remarkable faith and courage in light of the difficult circumstances. She has done everything she could to attack her disease, often sacrificing some of the things she loves in order to have surgery, chemotherapy, and every other treatment necessary to battle her cancer.

I wonder how I would react if my doctor told me I had cancer? What if he told me that though it would be a long and difficult process, there was a high certainty of success in beating the disease?

Certainly I would want to be brave like my friend and “gut it out” until my cancer was conquered, doing all that was necessary to treat this disease that threatened to take away all that I hold dear. Or, as they say, die trying. I may also choose another way.

What if I simply denied there was a problem? I mean, seriously, I can handle it myself, right? Maybe it would go away by itself. I could cover-up whatever symptoms that pop up and explain them away. I would say to the doctors, “You are totally wrong, Doc, because I know me better than you do and you have no idea what you are talking about anyhow.”

But as the cancer spread, so would my anger. I might start raging against my family, though they would be trying to help me, telling me to get treatment. “... But, seriously, who are they to be getting on my back and telling me what to do?” I would respond.” As I deteriorate, with my last breath, I would say, “I told you I was okay.” Too bad nobody was in the room to hear my last words.

Ludicrous, right? What really bothers me is I have actually seen this happen, but with a different type of cancer.

Instead of the general cancer symptoms like weakness, paleness; fever and flu-like symptoms; bruising and prolonged bleeding; enlarged lymph nodes, spleen, liver; pain in bones and joints; frequent infections; weight loss; and night sweats, I saw a person neglecting responsibilities at home and work; in denial; disguising symptoms; accusing others of judging; acting out of control; letting life deteriorate; experiencing legal issues; a DUII; messed up relationships; a broken family; domestic violence, and



other symptoms of this disease called alcoholism.

Many of you probably want to stop reading. I understand. It is amazing how one word can turn so many people off because of its repeated use or because it strikes a nerve.

However, I ask you to hear me out. I am not writing this article to lecture you about the affects of alcoholism. You have probably heard that message before. Nor am I writing to offend you in order to call you to action - guilt trips do not work.

What I am trying to do is be a responsible wingman by giving you the opportunity to be honest with yourself, and allow you to assess if you may need help in an ignored or embarrassing area of your life.

Simply stated, alcohol abuse can waste your potential as a guard member and the probability of a successful military career. (See **Chaplain**, Pg. 8)

## Chaplain's Office Info.

**Need to reach the chaplain?  
He is on base each day from  
7:30 a.m. -3:30 p.m. and here  
on UTA weekends. Drop by  
his office or call to make an  
appointment.**

### Contact information:

**Office or Cell:  
x5-6239 or 331-3739**

**Chaplain's Assistant:  
Tech. Sgt. Osten Coaty:  
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**Catholic Service: LRS Main  
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Sundays at 7:30 a.m.**

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Conference Room Bldg 211,  
Sundays at 7:30 a.m.**

## Local schools need mentors for students

Citizens for Safe Schools' Kids in the Middle Mentoring program needs responsible, caring adults willing to volunteer as mentors. The time commitment is minimal, one hour, once a week for one year, but the difference you could make to a struggling young person is great. The relationship helps the young person in countless ways, often times you are the only adult in their lives they can count on. For the mentor, the benefits are pretty big too. We match mentors and mentee's with similar interests, giving each a like minded person to do fun things with.

Here are two of the many kids waiting for a mentor:

10 year old Dusty, from Ferguson Elementary, wants a mentor. Dusty has two sisters and a twin brother who are all in grief following the death of Dusty's dad. His counselor de-

scribes him as bright, but he has some anger issues at home after his father's death. Dusty likes hot wheel cars and wants to learn BMX racing.

Loran is 14 years old and from Brixner Junior High. Loran's father was an alcoholic and died from physical complications relating to his alcoholism.

Loran is grieving the death and sometimes demonstrates signs of anger. Loran plans to go into the military after high school and likes football, fishing and hacky-sac.

If you think you could be a friend to one of these kids, or to some other child in our program, please contact Citizens for Safe Schools at (541) 882-3198 or Tami Narramore, Kingsley Airman and Family Readiness Manager ext. 5-6112 for a mentor application packet.

## Chaplain shines a light on the effects of alcohol abuse

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Are you in any of these stages?

**Denial** – For some people drinking is a social event. But, have you gone from being social to actually needing alcohol? When asked if you have had enough to drink, do you automatically respond with “no”? Do you attend social events and get angry if alcohol is not present?

**Cover Up** – Do you find you need to have more and more drinks in order to achieve the same “buzzed” effect you had before? Are you drinking more and more to reduce stress? Are you using alcohol to cope with issues that are painful or uncomfortable to face?

**You're wrong, I'm right** – Do you feel yourself losing control? Has alcohol become a center of your life? Are you struggling more and more to keep a sense of “normalcy” in your daily life? Have you had a DUII?

**Out of Control** – Are you showing up to work hung-over? Are you drinking to pass out? Do you need alcohol just to function?

**Deterioration** – Are you showing physical signs of an addict? Have you stopped eating, taking care of yourself, or lost concern for your life?

If you answered yes, or know someone who would answer yes, then I have a few suggestions for you.

Call me or come see me. I am your chaplain and I am here to serve you. As a reminder, I am bound by confidentiality. I cannot and will not divulge any information you give me without your authorization. Nothing you tell me in confidence will affect your career or job. Keep it confidential by calling my cell.

Talk to Tami Narramore in Family Support. She is here to serve you and your family. She has many resources to help you. Talk to your supervisor. This may sound risky but the fact remains that each supervisor is responsible for your care and support. The bottom line is they want healthy Airmen and will work with you to achieve health. Besides, they always prefer dealing with a private issue before it becomes a public problem.

Call Military-One-Source at (800) 342-9647. They will be able to work with you to find the assistance you need.

Talk to someone you trust. Enlist them to help you with your struggle with alcohol.

Find local AA meetings at: [www.aa-](http://www.aa-)

[oregon.org/AA/aa-meetings-17.php](http://oregon.org/AA/aa-meetings-17.php)

Get more information at: [www.alcoholism-support.org](http://www.alcoholism-support.org)

Let us make sure you and your fellow Airmen are doing everything possible to be healthy and strong, taking care of one another, and completing our mission of training the best air-to-air combat pilots in the world.

**NEW!** The 173rd FW Chaplains COP is up and running. Have you been looking for a place to worship? Got a suggestion? Need Buddhist Contact information? Did you miss a Chaplains Chatter article in the past? Want to comment on a prior article in Wings or Chronicle? Need to ask the Chaplain a question? Find information and a whole lot more on the 173rd FW Chaplains COP! Go to: <https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/community/views/home.aspx?Filter=AE-OT-00-91> or go to our 173rd FW COP neighborhood at: <https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/community/views/home.aspx?Filter=OO-OT-AE-90> and click on Chaplains Office. Don't forget to bookmark these pages!

# Children of servicemembers offered scholarship from Defense Commissary Agency

Story courtesy, Defense Commissary Agency

**FORT LEE, VA.** -- Commissaries are an integral part of the quality of life offered to service members and their families. The Scholarships for Military Children Program was created in recognition of the contributions of military families to the readiness of the fighting force and to celebrate the role of the commissary in the military family community. It is the intent of the program that a scholarship funded through contributions be awarded annually for each commissary operated by the Defense Commissary Agency worldwide.

The Scholarships for Military Children Program is primarily funded through the generosity of manufacturers and suppliers whose products are sold at military commissaries, worldwide. The Fisher House Foundation volunteered to underwrite the administration of this program.

A minimum of one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded at every commissary location where qualified applications are received. More than one scholarship per commissary may be available based on response and funding. The scholarship provides for payment of tuition, books, lab fees and other related expenses.

Only dependent unmarried children under age 23 of active duty personnel, reserve/Guard and retired military members, or survivors of servicemembers who died while on active duty or survivors of individuals who died while receiving retired pay from the military, may apply for a scholarship. Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are currently enrolled in the

Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) database and that they have a current ID card. The DEERS database will be the primary method of verifying eligibility.

Applicants must be enrolled, or planning to enroll, in a full-time undergraduate degree program at an accredited



college or university in the fall term of 2009. Applicants who have earned an undergraduate degree or who are enrolled in a graduate degree program are not eligible. All applicants must also have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 basis) to be eligible to apply. The minimum GPA requirement applies to both high school and college students. Students attending a community or junior college must be enrolled in a program of studies designed to allow the student to transfer directly into a four-year program. Applicants who receive an appointment to one of the U.S. Military Academies (or affiliated preparatory schools) or are awarded a full

scholarship at any accredited U.S. post-secondary institution of higher education are not eligible to receive funds from this program. A full scholarship is usually defined as one that provides for payment of tuition, books, lab fees, and other related expenses.

Applicants, or their sponsors, need not live at an installation that has a commissary. Applicants may submit their application at any commissary, however it is recommended that they submit the application where their sponsors normally shop or closest to where their sponsors live. It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to ensure the commissary receives the application.

If it is not possible (due to distance considerations) for the applicants to submit their applications in person, they may also mail, UPS, or FedEx their completed applications to the commissary nearest to where their sponsor is stationed. Applicants who choose this method must contact that commissary and obtain the name of a person to whom the package will be directed. A complete list of commissaries, along with phone numbers, can be found at: [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com)

Other important websites include: Scholarships for Military Children Program, [www.militaryscholar.org/](http://www.militaryscholar.org/); Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) database <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/swg/owa/WebGuard.Login?APPL=9025&RULE=01>; Commissaries.com at [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com); and Fisher House Foundation at: [www.fisherhouse.org/](http://www.fisherhouse.org/)

# Announcements



## Daycare Opportunities

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** -- Miss Muffett's is now a National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (NACCRRA) approved child care facility, the only one in Klamath Falls, Ore.

NACCRRA is a childcare subsidy program that helps pay for activated or deployed military member's childcare costs. To apply please visit: [www.naccrra.org/MilitaryPrograms/assistance.php](http://www.naccrra.org/MilitaryPrograms/assistance.php)

You must provide copies of the following (via fax, mail or email):

- Service Member's military orders

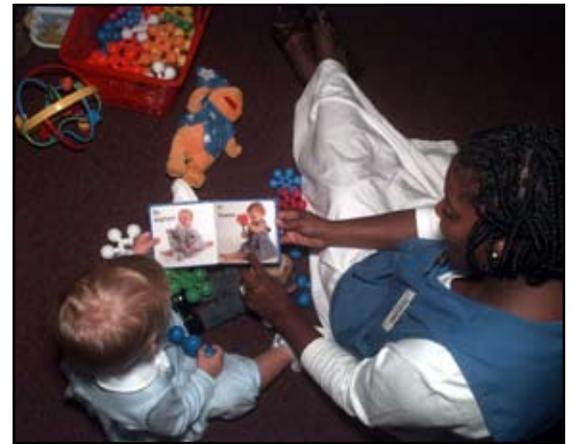
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- Leave and Earnings Statements (LES) for the service Member
- Spouse's most recent pay stub or proof of attending school
- Child(ren)'s birth certificate or self certification statement

For more information contact NACCRRA at:

Military Subsidy Department,  
3101 Wilson Blvd, Ste 350, Arlington, VA 22201, Tel: (800) 424-2246, fax: (703) 341-4103, or email at:

[msp@naccrra.org](mailto:msp@naccrra.org)



**Put Oregon's Rich Military History at Your Fingertips!**

The State of Oregon recently celebrated its 150th Birthday on February 14th, 2009. To commemorate this historical event, the Oregon Military Department is publishing a history book of the Oregon National Guard.

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<b>May UTA:</b> 5/15 - 5/16	<b>Aug. UTA:</b> 8/21 - 8/22	<b>Nov. UTA:</b> 11/13 - 11/14
<b>June UTA:</b> 6/26 - 6/27	<b>Sept. UTA:</b> 9/18 - 9/19	<b>Dec. UTA:</b> 12/4 - 12/5



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Shirar, 173rd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

An Oregon Air National Guard F-15 Eagle from the 173rd Fighter Wing makes a low approach in preparation for landing at Kingsley Field, Klamath Falls, Ore.

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