

Into the Wild Blue Yonder: Nevada "High Rollers" deploy overseas this holiday season

NEVADA AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, RENO, Nev. -- Members of the 152nd Airlift Wing, Nevada Air National Guard, will be spending this holiday season overseas as they deployed earlier this week as part of the guard's federal mission requirements. Aircrew, maintainers and logistics readiness squadron Airmen will provide theater airlift and aerial delivery throughout the U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM) Area of Responsibility (AOR) for about four months, the unit's first Air Expeditionary Force deployment since 2018. "I am proud and inspired by all the Airmen deploying overseas this holiday season," said Col. Jeremy Ford, 152nd Airlift Wing commander. "With the challenges thrown at us over the historical last few years including the COVID-19 pandemic and two record setting wildfire firefighting seasons, this is just another example of how dedicated these Airmen are and how necessary the National Guard is."

Leaving loved ones during this time of year yielded no shortfall of hugs, kisses and tears as the Airmen prepared to depart. A reception put on by Fred Barton, the base's Airman and Family programs manager, Key Spouses and services was held for families, friends and loved ones at the base before those deploying boarded their plane. "Although we consistently train to maintain a certain level of readiness to meet state and federal mission requirements, there was a lot of additional effort necessary to ensure this deployment kicked off without any issues," said Ford. "Those efforts required support from across our entire wing and also from family and loved ones of our Airmen, truly a team effort." Utilizing the C-130 Hercules aircraft, the Airmen will be able to provide theater airlift and aerial delivery of personnel, equipment, vehicles, or any other palletized cargo throughout the AFRICOM AOR.

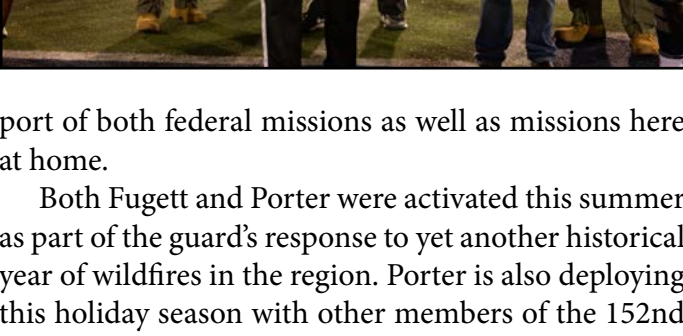
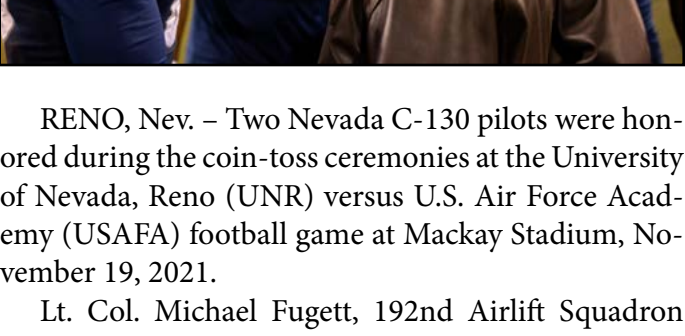
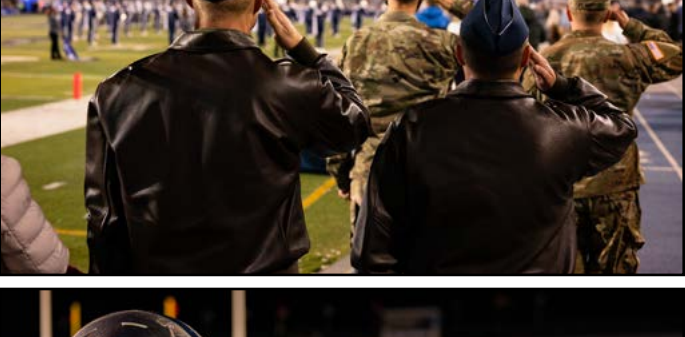


Airmen from the Nevada Air National Guard board an Omni Air International Boeing 777 prior to departing for a deployment at the Nevada Air National Guard Base, Reno, Nevada, Nov. 28, 2021. The Airmen will be assigned to the U.S. Africa Command Area of Responsibility to provide theater airlift and aerial delivery of personnel, supplies, vehicles or other palletized cargo. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Thomas Cox) [CLICK HERE FOR COMPLETE STORY](#)

Community News

High Rollers Honored at University of Nevada Reno Football Game

By Airman 1st Class Thomas Cox
152nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs



RENO, Nev. -- Two Nevada C-130 pilots were honored during the coin-toss ceremonies at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) versus U.S. Air Force Academy (USAF) football game at Mackay Stadium, November 19, 2021. Lt. Col. Michael Fugett, 192nd Airlift Squadron commander and C-130 pilot, stood with the team captains from USAFA, where he is proudly a class of 2000 graduate. Whereas Capt. Kevin Porter, C-130 pilot, 2008 UNR graduate and previous Wolfpack starting linebacker, stood side by side with his alma mater during the coin toss. The pilots were honored in front of all the fans for all the work that they have done with the guard in support of both federal missions as well as missions here at home.

Both Fugett and Porter were activated this summer as part of the guard's response to yet another historical year of wildfires in the region. Porter is also deploying this holiday season with other members of the 152nd Airlift Wing to provide theater airlift and aerial delivery in the U.S. Africa Command Area of Responsibility. Late that Friday night, the game came to a close with Fugett leaving victorious. The Air Force's Falcons defeated Nevada's Wolfpack 41-39 in a narrow triple overtime win.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS NEWS

Updated look for the base public page

By Senior Master Sgt. Paula Macomber
152nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs



A screen shot of the new 152nd Airlift Wing's new look.

The 152nd Airlift Wing Public Page was one of the first websites across the Air Force, Space Force and Air National Guard to be migrated to the newly designed Air Force theme. The migration took place the week of November 15-19, 2021. Public Affairs Office closed its doors to accomplish this task. The 152nd Airlift Wing's public-facing page has over 35 sub-pages. Redesigning took much thought and consideration by the team. For example, many changes were made to allow both a web-based look and a mobile look—thereby making the site more accessible across all platforms.

vention and sexual assault to financial and retirement planning—and everything in between. The new site also has a quick link at the top with a base phone directory among many other features. "This new, modern look helps bring our wing and the way we share information into the future," said Airman 1st Class Thomas Cox, 152nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs Specialist, who was a part of the redesign team. "We now don't only appeal only to long time members of the guard, but also younger Airmen and members of the public."

From the home page to the "members" section—the site contains a plethora of information for all. In the near future, there will be a brand new "Free Resources" section. This should assist all Airmen when they are seeking help with topics from suicide prevention and sexual assault to financial and retirement planning—and everything in between. The new site also has a quick link at the top with a base phone directory among many other features.

Public Affairs is always open to suggestions on how the website can be improved. Please submit your suggestions and feedback through the group mailbox: 152.aw.pa.publicaffairs@us.af.mil.

NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION

Military Ball | 2022 NNGA State Conference

By Lt. Col. Shaun Cruze
President, Nevada National Guard Association

Greetings from your Nevada National Guard Association and Nevada Enlisted Association: Apologies up front for the long email with a lot of information. First the your associations NNGA and NVEANGUS would like to invite you to the 2022 State Conference and Military Ball. Friday April 8th we will kick off the weekend with the Army vs. Air Golf tournament at Lakeridge golf course Friday morning, Friday evening we will have a social hour at the Silver Legacy Reno Ballroom from 1800-2100

Columbus Ohio for NGAUS 2022 as well as lodging and conference registration fee. The following are the committees we need to establish: Transportation, Hotel, Golf, Spouse Lunch, TAG Spouse Lunch, All States / Welcome Dinner, Fun Run, Operations, SGT of Arms, Registration

Saturday April 9th we will have a stars and bars breakfast for all company grade officer starting at 0830 at the Silver Legacy in the Silver Baron A, starting at 0930 we will conduct the state conference where we will hear from many leaders and have updates from both associations. Saturday evening we will have the Military Ball starting at 1800.

Attached is the Super Remarkable Deal to become a digital lifetime member of NGAUS the cost is now \$500 but wait it gets better if you sign up before March 31--NNGA will cover \$250 of the membership and make you a life member of NNGA as well. Finally, the NNGA will have 3 board positions up for re-election at the state conference, 1 Air position and 2 Army positions. COL Jerome Guerrero is the past president until April when he will step away from the board to focus in his new position on the NGAUS board

There will be room blocks available at the Silver Legacy Friday and Saturday night at \$102/night Future emails will have links to register for golf, the state conference and the military ball. The Nevada National Guard Association is hosting the NGAUS Conference in Reno, NV in August of 2023 and we need everyone's help if we are going to be successful. We are looking for volunteers to be Conference Committee Chairs. If selected to be a committee chair for 2023, NNGA will pay for your travel to

Lt. Col. Shaun Cruze has been elected by the board to be the President of NNGA. Thank you, Shaun President, NNGA

Scholarship Opportunity

By Lauren M. Renda
Community Foundation of Western Nevada

Greetings from your Nevada National Guard Association and Nevada Enlisted Association: Apologies up front for the long email with a lot of information. Please see the link for the Chief Master Sergeant Gerald L. Larson Nevada Air National Guard scholarship - This is a great opportunity to work on your professional and personal development. The Chief Master Sergeant Gerald L. Larson Nevada Air National Guard Scholarship provides support for active enlisted members of the Nevada Air National Guard or the dependent of active members to attend the University of Nevada, Reno.

pects of the Field of Personnel. During January 1968, the Nevada Air National Guard called to active duty in the USAF as part of President Johnson's response to the Pueblo Crisis and he was deployed to Suwon Air Base South Korea. Chief Larson was named the Outstanding Senior NCO of the Nevada Air National Guard for 1979. Chief Larson was the first President of the Nevada Chapter of the Enlisted Association of the United States. Governor Bob Miller issued a Proclamation proclaiming May 8, 1998, as "A Day in Honor of Gerald L. Larson's Outstanding Service to the State of Nevada."

Chief Larson served over 30 years - 1955 - 1988, as a Full-Time Guardsman and member of the Nevada Air National Guard. During that time, his main duties were in the Military Personnel Field where he was involved with Enlisted Recruiting, Officer Appointments, and the Pilot and Navigator Training Program, Enlisted and Officer Promotions, and most other aspects of the Field of Personnel. During January 1968, the Nevada Air National Guard called to active duty in the USAF as part of President Johnson's response to the Pueblo Crisis and he was deployed to Suwon Air Base South Korea. Chief Larson was named the Outstanding Senior NCO of the Nevada Air National Guard for 1979. Chief Larson was the first President of the Nevada Chapter of the Enlisted Association of the United States. Governor Bob Miller issued a Proclamation proclaiming May 8, 1998, as "A Day in Honor of Gerald L. Larson's Outstanding Service to the State of Nevada."

https://nevadafund.org/scholarships/chief-master-sergeant-gerald-l-larson-nevada-air-national-guard-scholarship

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Christmas Angel trees

BRINGING CHRISTMAS JOY TO KIDS

IN THE LOCAL AREA

We will be sponsoring two Angel Trees this year. The first is the Salvation Army Angel tree. I will not be displaying individual tag ideas this year but the tags are not for a specific child but are only suggestions, so choose any gift you would like to give. In my experience, gifts for kids ages 9-17 are the most needed. If you would like to participate, please bring in an unwrapped gift. Drop off location is in the Finance Office. Drop off deadline for The Salvation Army Angel Tree is 16 December.

Our second Angel Tree is for homeless or extremely disadvantaged high school students in our local area. The HS kids have filled out their wishes on tags and you may pick up those tags from me in the finance office. If you would like to participate, please drop off at the finance office by 13 Dec.

If you would like to contribute to either Angel Tree but do not have time to shop, please contact MSgt Caroline Cousineau in the finance office or call 788-4684.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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Airmen and Guardians, 23 NOV 2021

As the holiday season begins, we want to thank each and every one of you for your selfless dedication and contribution to a noble cause—the security of our Nation. As you enjoy this time of celebration, please keep these Airmen and Guardians who cannot be with their loved ones this year in your thoughts.

Your continued support to the joint force, our allies, and partners defines the gift that keeps on giving: your selflessness. Airmen and Guardians' acceptance of the most difficult year in the history of our Nation. Please keep in mind our deployed Airmen and their families this holiday season. Let's ensure they have the support they need. Additionally, we are thankful for the hard work and sacrifice made throughout the year by all of you in order to support our ongoing mission requirements to include support for the presidential inauguration, recent bascom MAJFS' success to support soldiers, COVID-19 response and our day-to-day tasks.

During your holiday celebrations, we encourage you to take time to relax and recharge with family and friends, as you are able. And please, make deliberate decisions to continue to protect yourself and your loved ones so that we can begin 2022 with a strong foundation to meet the challenges of the future.

Happy Holidays - One Team, One Fight!

Frank Melino
Secretary of the Air Force

Clayton D. Jones
Under Secretary of the Air Force

John E. Turpin
Chief of Base Operations

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Chief of Base Operations

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Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force

Charles O. Brown, Jr.
Command, U.S. Air Force
Chief of Staff

Andrew S. Bann
Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force

BECOME A LIFE MEMBER AT HALF THE COST.

NGAUS is offering the new Digital Life membership to all current Active Duty Guardsman for \$500, half the price of the traditional Active Life membership.

NNGA is discounting this event further. Anyone who becomes a Digital Life Member before March 31, 2022 will receive a free NNGA life membership and a \$250 reimbursement.

Digital Life membership has the same benefits as the Active Life membership but is more affordable. The right season of NATIONAL GUARD requires the best of both worlds. The NNGA membership is a must-have for all NGAUS members. Please contact us for more information.

www.ngaus.org/join
202-408-5880

NEVADA AIR NATIONAL GUARD
RENO, NEVADA

High Rollers, 24 November 2021

As we enter the holiday season, CMSSgt Ash, the entire command team and I want all of you to know how thankful we are of your service and dedication to the wing, community, state and Nation. This has been a challenging year and it should remain so all of the time. We value our time with family and friends this season.

Our first thoughts go out to our Airmen deploying and who will be away from loved ones more of this holiday season. We wish for a safe deployment and re-deployment and hope that all know how grateful we are of the sacrifice they've made to fulfill this mobilization to support the security of our Nation. Please keep in mind our deployed Airmen and their families this holiday season. Let's ensure they have the support they need. Additionally, we are thankful for the hard work and sacrifice made throughout the year by all of you in order to support our ongoing mission requirements to include support for the presidential inauguration, recent bascom MAJFS' success to support soldiers, COVID-19 response and our day-to-day tasks.

We hope all of you have had the time and ways needed to enjoy and celebrate the holidays this season. Please enjoy your downtime with family and friends and see this time to recharge your mental, social, physical and spiritual needs. Happy Holiday High Rollers!

JEREMY B. FORD, Colonel, NVAWG
Commander, 152A Airlift Wing

152d MXG Breakfast Burrito Sale

Saturday UTA - 4 December
0700-0900 (or sold out)
Main Entrance of the MXG Building

- \$5/ea (Cash Preferred)
- Eggs, Hash Browns, Cheese, and Bacon (optional)
- POC: SMSgt Jennifer Harrell (775-788-4647)

Brought to you by: 152d MXG Morale Committee

STAR WARS TRIVIA NIGHT

DECEMBER 04, 2021
6:00 PM

ARE YOU THE ULTIMATE STAR WARS FANATIC? COME BY AND PROVE IT.

13 WAYS TO LEAD

Mark your calendar! As the New Year approaches so does New Beginnings!

January 13, 2022, the ANG Command Chief, Chief Maurice L. Williams will be releasing the first episode his of Podcast and our very own SMSgt Sosa will be featured.

13th Command Chief of the ANG

EXAMPLE: Lead By

EMPOWERING PEOPLE	REWARDS PRAISE
BEING HONEST	BEING ACCESSIBLE
BEING CREDIBLE	BEING OPTIMISTIC
UPHOLDING STANDARDS	BEING AGILE FLEXIBLE
BEING STRATEGIC DELIBERATE	BEING FEARLESS
DECISIVENESS FOLLOW UP	
BEING ACCOUNTABLE	

DRILL WEEKEND

CHILD CARE FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

Free For Kids K-12
Must Obtain Boys & Girls Club Membership
Breakfast - Lunch - Snack
First Saturdays & Sundays 6:30AM-6:00PM
Programming Begins August 3, 2019

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE SIERRA NEVADA

BGC/TM Pennington Youth Facility
1300 Foster Drive Reno, NV 89509

Contact Sarah Odum to Register 775.360-5471 or sodum@bgctm.org

DO YOU HAVE THE "RIGHT STUFF?"

There will be a Hiring Board for C-130 Pilot and Combat Systems Officers November 2-3 of UTA drill. We are looking for highly motivated, hard-working individuals who want to join the 152nd Airlift Wing and contribute to the success of the Nevada Air National Guard. Applications must be received at our desk by 16 September 2022.

Visit the link below and click on the application window's hyperlink: <http://www.152aw.af.mil/OMM/88K/CurrentJobs/Positions>

Requirements:

- Preferred ages no older than 33 for Pilot applications
- Enlisted in your final Bachelor's degree semester
- Flight time preferred
- Competitive AFOSI Scores
- Call our Base Training Office at (775) 788-4511 to schedule an exam

For questions contact: usaf.vv.152-oc.list.officer-hiring@gmail.com

INVEST IN YOURSELF

SNCO ENHANCEMENT COURSE

DEVELOPING THE AIRMAN WE NEED

POINT OF CONTACT: sncoenhancement@152aw.af.mil

VISION:

- Improve overall readiness
- Improve the quality of life for SNCOs
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- Improve the quality of life for SNCOs

LOGISTICS:

- Preparing 130-hour training
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UPCOMING DATES:

- February 4
- May 10
- Aug 10

PREREQUISITES:

- AFOSI Score of 80 or higher
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Nevada National Guard Kids Holiday Party

When: 18 December 2021
Time: 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Where: Nevada Air National Guard Air Base (Fuel Cell Hangar)

Please register with the QR Code or link below

Pictures with Santa
Activities for the Kids
Bounce Houses
Light Snacks

<https://www.152aw.af.mil/OMM/88K/CurrentJobs/Positions>