# RHODE WARRIOR LIGHT



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## **MISSION FIRST, SAFETY ALWAYS!**

## **Briefs**

## UTA Lunch Menu

Saturday

BBQ Babyback Ribs BBQ Chicken BBQ Veggie Patty Mashed Potatoes Rice Corn on the Cob Peas

## Dinner Rolls Sunday

Chicken Parmesan Veal Parmesan Eggplant Parmesan Spaghetti Penne Green Beans Veggie Blend Garlic Bread

Salad Bar with Grilled Chicken And Tuna, Fresh Fruit Bar and Ice Cream Bar Available Both Days

> \$4.65 for AGRs/Officers

## **\$\$Pay\$\$**

September 2014 UTA is scheduled to pay on 18 September 2014

## **Weather Forecast**

Quonset ANGB, RI

Saturday - 85° hazy and humid - PM T'Storms

Sunday - 79° clearing sun

## **RHODE WARRIOR**

143d Airlift Wing

## Drive It To The Finish Line



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TEAM,

Our Rhode Warrior readiness, skill, and professionalism are the most important assets we offer our state and nation. The Rhode Warriors are always ready. It's just what we do. As we transitioned to the new Commander's Inspection

Program (CCIP), 24/7 inspection readiness became the new normal for the Air Force. Gone are the days of the once-every-five-years sprint to readiness for an ORI. You have all worked very hard to bring this new program to life, and our Team gets better every day because of your efforts.

Next month, we'll execute the Capstone event of our Unit Effectiveness Inspection (UEI). More than 60 inspectors representing the Air Mobility Command Inspector

General (AMC/IG) will join us for seven days to validate our readiness. Attack this challenge with the same level of intensity and personal pride you bring to everything we do. If an inspector asks you a question, do your best to answer and always be truthful.

The accomplishments of the Rhode Warriors are significant. Be proud of them. Our Rhode Warrior Pride will be on display for our guests so let's continue to provide the highest quality readiness for our state and our nation. It's what we do every day.

Thank you for keeping our Rhode Island Air National Guard brand at the top of the class.

Remember, PT, PME, and Continuing Education...they're great.

Colonel Arthur J. Floru Commander, 143d Airlift Wing

## **September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month**



The month of September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and ANG has rolled out the Ready54 Suicide Prevention Awareness Campaign. The goal is to generate discussion on Ready54 social media regarding suicide prevention and resilience during the month of September with Airmen and their family members as well as care providers and ANG leadership. Please visit www.ready54.org and also download the app on your smart phone. For more information, contact Major William Rebuck, 143d MDG, Wing Suicide Prevention Program Monitor.

## **Upcoming Events**

UEI - 2-10 Oct 14

Magown-Roberts Golf - 20 Oct 14

\*For more information about these events contact your First Sergeant or your Orderly Room



Do Your Part to Stop Terrorism.

The First Step is Knowing What to Look For.

The Eagle Eyes program is an Air Force anti-terrorism initiative that enlists the eyes and ears of Air Force members and citizens in the war on terror.

If you see or hear something suspicious call Security Forces 24/7 - 401-267-3530 Your local Anti-Terrorism Officer is LtCol Peter Horne - 401-267-3248

## **AIRMAN SPOTLIGHT... AIC Michael Giammarco**

143d Comptroller Flight

By: Tech. Sgt. Arthur DesLauriers and Master Sgt. John McDonald 143d Airlift Wing, Public Affairs

#### Rank/ First & Last Name:

A1C Michael Giammarco

Squadron:

143d Comptroller Flight

Position:

Accounting Tech

Years of Service:

One and a half

## Family's Military Heritage:

My Grandfather was in the Army, my Step Dad was in the Army, and my Step Sister is in the Army

#### What is your mission here?

Budgeting and accountability of funds

## What are some of the best parts of your mission?

I like working with people - customer service

## Why did you join the Air Force?

I wanted to be part of something that was bigger than me - helping people

#### What are your short term goals in the Guard?

To continue with my education

## What about long term goals in the Guard?

Become an officer



## What is the most exciting thing you've done in the Guard?

So far, this interview!

## What is the proudest moment of your life?

Graduating BMT. I was injured during BMT and spent 19 weeks at Lackland!

#### Do you do any volunteering?

I volunteer at Reaching for the Fringe. It provides services to the homeless

## If you could make one change to the base what would it be?

Better A/C in the summer heat in the winter

#### Do you have any hobbies?

I play the drums - I compete in solo competitions

#### How do you stay fit to fight?

Lift weights - I'm a gym rat, I love to lift!

\*\*\*Each month the 143d AW Public Affairs Office will identify and interview an Airman from within the 143d AW for the Airman Spotlight. To nominate one of your Airmen (Enlisted or Officer) please contact the PA office at 143aw.pa@ang.af.mil\*\*\*

# Don't Miss the Low Hanging Fruit!

- Check your Fire Extinguisher Inspections
- Clean up your work centers
- Do your Safety Spot Inspections
- Check your Form 55's
- Do NOT have unauthorized equipment or chemicals in your work area
- Use proper waste receptacles
- Use Operational Risk Management On and Off Duty
- Practice Customs and Courtesies
- Ensure Correct Wear of your Uniform
- Be a Good Wingman

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## TROOP CARD Social Media Tips

Use these tips for when using social media. Please remember that you represent the U.S. Air Force and the RI National Guard when you post on social media - particularly if you are in uniform.

- 1. Once it's out there, it's there forever
- 2. No classified information; think OPSEC
- 3. Replace error with fact, not argument
- 4. Admit mistakes
- 5. Use your best judgement
- 6. Avoid the offensive
- 7. Don't violate copyright/misuse trademarks
- 8. Don't violate privacy
- 9. No official endorsements
- 10. No impersonations
- 11. Stay in your lane
- 12. Be cautious with information you share

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