

Retiree Hats, Jackets and T-Shirts.

Please note the additional costs for shipping that Ron has had to apply because of rising cost of goods and mailing. All products carry the embroidered retiree logo. Golf Shirt – Price \$24.95 each plus \$5.95 S&H; T-Shirt – Price \$12.95 each plus \$5.95 S&H; Light Jacket – Price \$44.95 each plus \$5.95 S&H; Sizes for the Golf Shirt, T-Shirt, and Light Jacket are M, L, XL, XXL. Winter Hat (one size fits all) – Price \$9.95 each plus \$5.95 S&H; Summer Hat (one size fits all) – Price \$9.95 each plus \$5.95 S&H. Allow six weeks for delivery. Make checks payable to Ron Koenig and mail your order to him at 320 Red Point Drive, Smithfield, VA 23430 or call Ron at (609) 466-1008 or (908) 507-9008 (cell phones). See Ron's web site at www.retiredairforcehats.com.



Air Force Retired Decal.

At the present time, the Air Force Retired decals are not available. We are searching for a supplier that can make them for us at a price that will allow us to provide them to you at an affordable price. Once they become available, we will publish that information.

USAF Retired Automobile License Plate- New Jersey.

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This special license plate is now available in your own personalized choice. Members of the NJ retired community may still apply for our basic organizational design with the USAF coat of arms and words USAF RETIRED. In addition, our organizational plate can be issued in combination with a PERSONALIZED set from three to five letters and/or numbers, or as a COURTESY plate with a State Senator-approved letter/number sequence. The fees for these plates vary depending on your selected combination! To get instructions and application forms, send a SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED BUSINESS-SIZE ENVELOPE to Retiree Activities Office, 87 FSS/CVR, 2916 Falcon Lane, and McGuire AFB NJ 08641-5019. And PLEASE tell us which plate or combination you will be requesting! The instructions will include the plate cost and any limitations.

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JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST (JB MDL)

Alumni Report

MCGUIRE RETIREE ACTIVITIES OFFICE

Spring 2014

McGuire Mon thru Fri 0900-1500 (609) 754-2459	DSC Philadelphia Tue, Wed, Thu 0900-1500 (215) 737-7300	Stewart ANG Base Mon thru Fri 0900-1200, 1300-1600 (845) 563-2226	Horsham PAANG (Formerly Willow Grove) Tue, Wed, Fri 0900-1500 (215) 323-7135/7136	Wyoming, PA Mondays (only) 0900-1500 (570) 288-1947 x220
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RETIREE APRECIATION DAY, SATURDAY, 26 APRIL 2014, AT TOMMY B'S COMMUNITY CENTER, BLDG 2705 (Former Officer's Club).

On page 2 of this newsletter you'll find your invitation letter from Col James C Hodges, Commander, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JB MDL). The retiree appreciation day program is developed and organized to provide you and your spouse/guest with the services, information, and support that you need the most. Our key note speaker will be Dr. Herbert C. Conaway, Assemblyman, 7th Legislative District of Burlington County, New Jersey. Other speakers will, at various times during the day, brief you on other programs applicable to military retirees and their families. On page you will find an outline of the special programs that will be available in the afternoon. If you plan to have lunch at the dining hall, please call us at 609-754-2459. We need this call so that we can let the dining hall staff know how many to prepare for. Opening ceremonies will begin at 1000 at the Community Center. Coffee and doughnuts will be available at 0900.

TRI-CARE FOR LIFE-LONG TERM MEDICINES BY MAIL ORDER STARTING IN MARCH.

Tri-Care has begun notifying military retirees and family members who use hi-care for life that they must start filling long-term prescriptions by mail or at military treatment facilities starting next month under the five-year pilot program TFL beneficiaries must transfer prescriptions for maintenancemedications to- or start new medications for chronic conditions through – the Tri-Care mail order pharmacy or a military pharmacy by March 15. The requirements also will save beneficiaries money. A 90 day refill of a generic medication costs nothing by mail, but requires a \$5 co-payment for a \$30 prescription at retail stores.

Brand-name drugs cost \$13 for a 90 day prescription by mail, but \$17 for a 30 day prescription at a store. Beneficiaries may call the TRI-CARE pharmacy contractor, Express Scripts website to switch to home delivery or with questions about their medications. To switch your prescription to a military pharmacy, beneficiaries may need to get a new prescription from their doctor, officials said. Refills can be ordered by calling 1-877-363-1303 or go to [express scripts online at http://www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE](http://www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE).

WALK-IN SERVICE AT TRI-CARE SERVICE CENTERS TO END BY 1 APRIL, 2014.

Since the first hi-care service center opened in the mid 1990's, we've seen a shift in how you get information. With today's technology, anything you can do at any Tri-Care service center can be done online or over the phone. Consequently, walk-in service ends at Tri-Care service centers in the NAS by 1 April, 2014. Because our overseas areas are unique, walk-in service at the Tri-care service centers in all overseas areas will continue. This change does not affect any Tri-Care benefits or healthcare's services. For more detailed information and updates go to www.tri-care.mil/TSC

BEWARE OF FAKE "SMARTDOCS" EMAILS.

Recently some myPay users received a fake email asking for the answers to myPay security questions. You should NEVER share the answers to your myPay security questions with anyone. The Defense Finance and Accounting Service, myPay, or SmartDocs will never ask you for this information. By sharing the answers to your myPay security questions you may allow someone to access your myPay account.

What should I do if I responded to this email? The fake SmartDocs emails came from smartdocsdas-mi1.org and smartdocsdafarni1.org. If you responded to this email request with the answers to your myPay security questions, please log into myPay and change your security questions immediately. What should I do if I received one of these emails, but did not respond?

Delete the message immediately. Again- do NOT respond to the request for information.

How can I tell if an email I received from SmartDocs is legitimate? The official SmartDocs emails address is [SmartDocs\(das.mi1\)](mailto:SmartDocs(das.mi1)). SmartDocs will never ask you to directly respond to an email. If provided a link to SmartDocs or myPay sites, use your mouse to hover over the link. The text that appears should show mypay.dfas.mil and match the link in the email.

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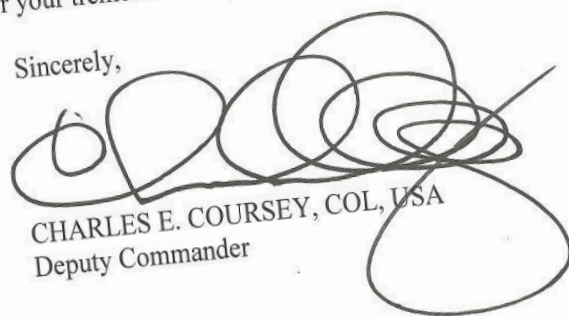
Dear Retiree,

On behalf of Colonel James Hodges, 87 Air Base Wing Commander, I want to personally invite you and your spouse or guest to the Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JB MDL) Retiree Appreciation Day on April 26, 2014. The Retiree Activities Office has organized an informative program that addresses topics relevant to you. Opening ceremonies for the day are at 10 a.m. at the Tommy B's Community Activities Center. The keynote speaker will be New Jersey State Assemblyman, Dr. Herbert C. Conaway. Throughout the day, you will receive information on retiree medical programs, benefit and entitlement programs, and an array of special interest programs dedicated to you and your spouse including TRICARE for Life for retirees 65 and older.

To experience the atmosphere and social surroundings of the men and women of JB MDL, lunch will be served in Halvorsen Hall dining facility. While the cost of lunch is based on an "a la carte" menu, your selection will be reasonably priced. I encourage you to take this opportunity to interact with our joint base team. Please call the Retiree Activities Office at 609-754-2459 to reserve a seat.

Each of you play a vital role in our community. Our dedication to enhancing your quality of life underscores our shared commitment to families. I look forward to meeting you at this year's Retiree Appreciation Day and thank you for your tremendous service to our Nation.

Sincerely,



CHARLES E. COURSEY, COL, USA
 Deputy Commander

LOOK FOR GI INSURANCE DIVIDENDS

Approximately 575,000 veterans holding certain government ME insurance policies and who served before 1956 will share \$132.9 million in annual insurance dividends this year, no application necessary. Payments which started in January are mail on policy anniversary dates. Eligible veterans have had veterans affairs life insurance policies in effect since they left the military and received annual VA notifications about the policies. Affected are United States Government Life Insurance (USGU), National Service Life Insurance (NSU), Veterans Life Special Life Insurance (VSU), and Veterans Reopen Insurance (VRI). Dividend amounts are based on age of the veteran, type of insurance, and length of time the policy has been in force. Dividends come from the earnings of trust funds into which veterans have insurance premiums and are linked to returns on investment in United States government securities. World War II veterans holding in SLI policies comprise the largest group receiving payments totaling \$86 million (average \$199). Total dividends of \$2.8 million go to those with PRI policies (\$161). Korean War veterans who have maintained VSLI policies will receive dividends totaling \$44 million (\$349). Those who served after World War I will share in USGLI dividends totaling \$140,000 (\$101). Veterans with insurance questions should call 1-800-669-8477 or email vainsurance@VA.00v.

TRI-CARE OFFERS ONE-STOP SHOPPING

There are many secure functions available to help you manage your TRICARE benefits, DEERS, etc., while at home or on the go, and they free you from having to remember several sign-ins and passwords to do it. Just go to: <http://www.tricare.mil/SecureLogin> and click on the applicable link from a menu to get instructions on accessing the functions indicated:

- Book an appointment
- Change Your Primary Care Manager
- Check Your Claims
- Enroll Online
- File Claims Online
- Make a Payment
- Manage Your Prescriptions Online
- Review your EOB Statements
- Send Secure Message to Your Military Provider
- Take a Health Risk Assessment
- Update DEERS
- View Your Military Health Record
- View Your Referrals

NOTE: To access the system you will need one of the following Log-In authorizations: DS (Department of Defense Self-Service), CAC (Common Access Card), DFAS myPay (Defense Finance and Accounting Authorization).

NEW ID CARDS FOR VETS ENROLLED IN VA HEALTH

VA is introducing a new, secure identification card called the Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC). VHIC replaces the Veteran Identification Card (VIC), which was introduced in 2004. Starting in April, VA will begin to automatically mail the more secure VHIC to Veterans who have the old VIC. All Veterans who have the old card should have their replacement cards by July. To ensure receipt of a new VHIC, enrolled Veterans should make sure that VA has their correct mailing address. Your current card is valid until you receive your new card.

NATIONAL TAKE BACK DRUG DISPOSAL PROGRAM

This annual program conveniently coincides with the date of our annual Retiree Appreciation Day this year. Those attending Retiree Appreciation Day can bring old, outdated medicines along and dispose of them safely and legally. There will be two drop off points: TOMMY B'S COMMUNITY CENTER (RAD) from 1000-1400 hrs and the Base/Post Exchange (BX/PX) from 1000-1200 hrs.

RETIREE DAY SPECIAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES
1130-1530 HOURS

ID CARD RENEWAL: For ID card renewal, please bring the following documents:

1. RETIREMENT ORDERS OR DD FORM 214
2. MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE (FOR SPOUSE)
3. BIRTH CERTIFICATE (FOR CHILDREN)
4. ADOPTION CERTIFICATE (IF APPROPRIATE)

ID card applicants are asked to go to the Personnel Building for ID card processing. We will provide transportation to the Personnel building and return. ID cards will be issued from 1130 to 1530 hours. The Customer Service staff greatly appreciates your cooperation. NOTE: Be sure to bring the applicable documents listed above.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: You will need driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance, ID card, and DOD decal number.

INFORMATION TABLES FOR INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS AND ASSISTANCE: Tables (1st Room) =20

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| 1 US Family Health Plan (Ms. Spencer) | 8 Credit Union (Vacant) |
| 2 Space A, 45 min presentation, Col Hodges | 9 VFW |
| 3 Legal | 11 Disabled Vets |
| 4 Veteran Affairs | 12 Casualty Assistance |
| 5 MOAA | 13 Guard/Reserve |
| 6 The Exchange | 14 WP (Manhattan Strategic Partnership (Alumni of VVWP)) |
| 7 Commissary | 15 ID card Renewals |

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

- Air Reserve Personnel Center (ARPC) 1-8005250102 DSN M6-6409
- Army Billeting World Wide 1-800-GO-ARMY 1-800-426-7691
- Casualty Assistance (Mon-Fri, 0800-1630) 754-3814
- Express Scripts 1-866-363-8667
- Clubs: Enlisted 754-3153 / Officers 754-3296
- Family Support Center: Director 754-3154 / Assistance 754-3294
- Commissary 754-3544
- Tri-Care Service Center 1-877-363-6337
- DEERS 1-800-538-9552
- Retiree Activities Office 754-5717
- DFAS Cleveland (0800-1800 EST) 1-800-321-1080
- Retiree Activity Office – TERMINAL 754-5026
- Immunizations 754-9209
- Passenger Terminal 754-8836
- Legal Assistance 754-4601
- Pharmacy Call on Base 754-9464 or 754-4946
- Military Clothing Sales 754-2439
- Pharmacy Call-in Refills 609-754- or 888-223-2448
- Pass & Registration (Bldg 1911) 754-2200/754-3079

HELP YOUR RAO TO BETTER SERVE YOU

Our biggest resource in serving our retired community is communication – getting the word out – about all things that affect you. Future communications will be accomplished more and more via electronic media, as we look to do more in a faster, more economical mode, such as email broadcasting. It's conceivable that our next newsletter will be sent via email. To ensure you get the word, please tear out this part, clearly print your email address, and mail it back to: RETIREE ACTIVITIES OFFICE, 87 FSS, 2916 FLACON LANE, MCGUIRE AFB, NJ 08641.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____