Welcome to
Selfridge
Air National Guard Base

A Joint Military Community

MICHIGAN AIR NATIONAL GUARD
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MEMORANDUM FOR VISITORS AND GUESTS

FROM: 127 WG/CC

SUBJECT: Welcome to Selfridge Air National Guard Base

1. The men and women of Michigan National Guard’s 127th Wing welcome you to the "D" and to the suburb of Macomb County. No matter the season, you'll find boating, skiing, fishing, hiking, shopping, museums, music, and sporting events within a short distance from where you are staying. The Guardsmen at Selfridge ANG Base have been a cornerstone in this diverse community which supports its military and will welcome you as well.

2. Selfridge Air National Guard Base is located approximately 20 miles north of metro Detroit on the western shoreline of Lake St. Clair in Harrison Township. Selfridge is home of many Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security units, including the Air National Guard, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Customs and Border Protection, and Border Patrol. Selfridge takes pride in being the only reserve forces base to have permanently assigned units from all five of the uniformed services. The Michigan Air National Guard’s 127th Wing is the host unit at the base supporting more than 66 tenant units, a variety of flying operations, a daily work force of approximately 1,700 and a traditional guard/reserve force of close to 5,000 personnel. The 127th Wing has groups reporting to Air Combat Command (A-10s) and Air Mobility Command (KC-135s).

3. The mission of the 127th Wing is to provide trained, equipped and motivated air refueling, fighter and support resources serving the community, state and nation. The 127th Wing effectively triples mission capability by utilizing a single cost-efficient mission support group dedicated to supporting two major commands, including two distinctly separate flying missions - the A-10 and the KC-135. Selfridge’s airfield and facilities are constructed and maintained to a level that will allow for expansion, improvement and future missions. With the infrastructure capacity and supportive community, our vision is to bring active association units to both the tanker and fighter sides of the wing.

4. If there is anything we can do to support you during your visit, please don’t hesitate to contact our Public Affairs Office at (586) 239-5576 with any of your questions. This office will be able to directly respond or provide contacts for any of your concerns. Thank you for visiting Selfridge Air National Guard Base and the 127th Wing.

ROLF E. MAMMEN, Brig Gen, MI ANG
127th Wing Commander
Selfridge Air National Guard Base

Selfridge Air National Guard Base is located approximately 20 miles north of Detroit on the western shoreline of Lake St. Clair in Harrison Township, Michigan. Selfridge Air National Guard Base is home to many diversified Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security units, including the Air National Guard, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Customs and Border Protection, and Border Patrol.

Selfridge takes pride in being the only reserve forces base to have permanently assigned units from all five of the uniformed services. Selfridge is hosted by the Michigan Air National Guard’s 127th Wing which has elements reporting to Air Combat Command (A-10s) and Air Mobility Command (KC-135s).

Selfridge is a 3,000-plus acre military airfield with capacity for new mission opportunities, posturing the 127th Wing and SANGB for future missions and a sizeable increase of the federally-friendly community. With about 350 buildings, 25 miles of roads, and 1.2 million square yards of runways/taxiways and apron space, Selfridge has room for mission growth, while maintaining the support of the community that has surrounded the airfield for more than 100 years.

127th Wing

The mission of the 127th Wing is to provide trained, equipped and motivated air refueling, fighter and support resources serving the community, state and nation. The 127th Wing effectively triples mission capability by utilizing a single cost-efficient Mission Support Group dedicated to supporting two MAJCOMS (Air Combat Command and Air Mobility Command), including two distinctly separate flying missions – the A-10 and the KC-135.

The Michigan Air National Guard’s 127th Wing is also the host at the joint service installation, supporting more than 66 tenant units, a variety of flying operations, a daily work force of approximately 1,200 and a traditional Guard/Reserve force of close to 6,000 personnel.

The 127th Wing’s airfield and facilities are constructed and maintained to a level that will allow for expansion, improvement and future missions.
Selfridge is located approximately 20 minutes north of Detroit. The main gate is off of Interstate 94, exit 240-A to the east.

Many GPS devices route visitors to Selfridge through Harrison Township, and exit 237 from I-94; however, the North River Road gate is for ID card holders only, not visitors.

If you will be arriving by commercial airlines at Detroit Metro Airport (DTW) plan on 45 minutes to an hour to arrive at Selfridge, depending on Detroit traffic. Commercial transportation is readily available at the airport.

Detroit is a major stop for most airlines, and is a hub stop for Delta Airlines.

Selfridge has two entry control gates. The main gate off Hall Road and I-94 is open 24 hours a day and houses a Visitor’s Center. The South Gate, off North River Road, is open from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and is closed on federal holidays. Visitors and deliveries cannot gain access through the South Gate.

The base is divided geographically into a west side and east side. Major organizations on the east side include the 127th Wing and many components of the Army. The west side of the base houses the Border Patrol, Customs and Border Protection and the Homeland Security Air and Marine Wing, the Navy’s Operations Support Center and SeaBees, Coast Guard Air Station Detroit, Michigan Army National Guard units, and Marine Wing Support Group 47 Detachment B, and 1st Bat/24th Marine Regiment. Also located on the north side of the base are STARBASE and the Selfridge Military and Air Museum, which is operated by the Michigan Air National Guard Historical Association.
The Pass and Registration Office is located in the Visitor’s Center at the main gate (M-59/Hall Road) entrance. Applications for civilian and contractor identification cards must be obtained from the respective personnel office. Unit security managers process restricted area badge requests. The Visitor’s Center is open Monday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tuesday-Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For military identification cards, contact the Military Personnel Flight, Customer Service at (586) 239-4516.

Building 304 houses the Michigan Air National Guard’s 127th Force Support Squadron which can assist with ID cards and DEERS enrollment. For more information, call (586) 239-4387.

While many active duty members are stationed at Selfridge, the base is largely a reserve forces installation. Currently there is no lodging at the base and local hotels should be used for immediate lodging needs.

There is also no housing available on Selfridge. The nearby U.S. Army Garrison-Detroit Arsenal located in Warren, Michigan, supports all Department of Defense branches, Homeland Security and other federal government agencies and has a Housing Services Office ready to assist new arrivals in finding suitable housing on the local economy. For local housing opportunities, register with the Automated Housing Referral Network (AHRN.com) viewing the Detroit Arsenal/U.S. Army Garrison area.

The Transportation Management Office for household goods shipping can be reached at (586) 282-5745.

The TAG has authorized Concealed Pistol License (CPL) holders to carry personally owned weapons on all Michigan National Guard (MING) installations, facilities within the installations, and stand-alone MING facilities. This authorization does not apply to any Federal tenant units on any Michigan Army or Air National Guard installation. Tenant units are responsible for their own Concealed Carry Policy and posting for their buildings. Open carry of personally owned firearms on or within all MING properties and facilities is prohibited. Call the Law Enforcement desk for more information at (586) 239-4673.
The Selfridge Base Exchange is located off George Avenue in the shopping complex, and it operates a variety of activities on Selfridge ANGB. The Exchange offers a great selection of clothing, electronics, house wares, health and beauty aids, cosmetics, linens, luggage, outdoor furniture and a garden shop (seasonal). Visit the AAFES Web page at www.aafes.com and click on military locations for more information, or call (586) 465-0960 for in-store information. The BX is home to numerous vendors and restaurants.

The Shoppette and BX Express, are collocated in the west corner of the BX, with a separate, external entrance. Gas is available at the old Shoppette location on Jefferson Avenue.

The Selfridge Commissary is located on George Avenue next to the BX, and has more than 18,000 items stocked daily. It serves thousands of active duty, Guard and Reserve members and military retirees. The store recently underwent a major renovation, and is open Tuesday - Sunday. For more information, contact the store at (586) 239-4876.

The Dining Facility located off George Avenue between Birch and Wagner Streets, is operated by the 127th Force Support Squadron. Lunch is served on drill weekends only. The facility is open daily and is available as a conference space for up to 300 people at Selfridge with complete audio/visual capabilities. Contact the 127th Force Support Squadron at (586) 239-5582 for more information.

The 127th Medical Group provides daily operational medical support to the 127th Wing. The facility is not a medical treatment facility.

To access medical treatment, including primary care or urgent care appointments, please call your designated primary health care physician, or in the case of emergency call 9-1-1. TRICARE is a health care program for members of the uniformed services and their families and survivors, and retirees and their family members. More information on TRICARE can be found at www.tricare.mil.
Legal Office

The Selfridge Legal Office offers limited free legal help to valid military identification card holders, including active duty military members and their immediate family members, retired military members and their immediate family members, widows and dependents of deceased retired military members. All services are free of charge upon proof of eligibility. Services provided include wills, living wills, powers of attorney, notary services, consumer problems, landlord/tenant issues and financial problems. The base legal office is located in building 303. Call (586) 239-4078 for more information on legal assistance hours or to schedule an appointment.

Postal Service

Selfridge has a U.S. Post Office on Jefferson Avenue near the main gate. It is a fully operational post office with express and priority mail, stamps and rental post office boxes. For additional information, stop in to see the Postal Service Center Monday through Friday, between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. or 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Child Development Center

The Bryant Child Development Center at Selfridge offers full-time care for children ages six weeks through pre-kindergarten. Part-time day care is also available for Preschool (potty trained children who are 3 years old) and Pre-K Strong Beginnings. Part-time day care consists of 3 hours a day/5 days a week for Strong Beginnings. The Strong Beginnings program runs from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. daily. Contact (586) 239-5595 or (586) 282-3010 for more information.

Public Schools

Selfridge is located in Macomb County, which offers public school programs through the Macomb Intermediate School District. Macomb County is home to 21 public school districts and 225 public schools. Each strives to provide a progressive and effective education to nearly 130,000 students in grades K-12. There are also 10 public school academies in the county and nearly 50 private and parochial schools in the county.

Macomb Intermediate School District
Leadership, Service & Support in Education

There are 28 public high schools in the county. Each provides students with opportunities to participate in a Career Technical Education to prepare them for successful career entry, advancement and/or continuing education. Some of the most popular programs include
business services/technology, marketing, drafting, graphics/print communication, hospitality and food service and auto service technician.

Area high schools also participate in a variety of school-to-work programs which enable students to work while earning credits necessary for graduation. While this provides a very valuable lesson for youth, it also provides opportunities for employers to “grow-their-own” employees while reinforcing positive work ethics.

For more information, visit www.misd.net.

Credit Union

FreeStar Financial Credit Union has a branch office at Selfridge off Jefferson Avenue. The credit union proudly serves the military and civilian personnel of Selfridge. The credit union’s main branch is located in Clinton Township and also operates a branch in Sterling Heights. FreeStar Financial Credit Union has many programs available for its members. For more information, stop by one of their branches, call 586-466-7800, or visit their Web site at www.freestarfinancial.com.

Honor Guard

The Selfridge Honor Guard is an elite group of extraordinary Airmen who have dedicated themselves to honoring those who have served our country with honor and dignity. The unit has a history rich with military tradition, professionalism and dedication, and the Selfridge Honor Guard members are proud to represent Selfridge ANGB and the U.S. Air Force throughout Michigan. Contact the Honor Guard at 586-239-5453 for program information.

Golf Course

The US Army Garrison-Detroit Arsenal’s Family Morale, Welfare, and Recreation division runs an 18-hole golf course at Selfridge. The course was originally established in the late 1940s and is situated at the southeast end of the base flight line.

A $2.6 million project in October 1997 resulted in an improved par 72, PGA-sanctioned course complete with large undulating greens and challenging new hole layouts. The driving range features two tiers with ample tee space, five artificial mats and three large practice target greens along with a practice sand trap. Adjacent to the clubhouse is an 8,000-square-foot putting green surface with many levels, mounds and rolls to challenge all players, beginner to pro. For fees and scheduling, contact the Golf Club at 586-239-4653.
Mulligan's Club House

US Army Garrison-Detroit's FMWR operates Mulligan’s Restaurant at the Selfridge Golf Course. Menu items vary from sandwiches to complete dinners with specials offered monthly. Lunch is served daily throughout the year, while dinners are available nightly in the summer. Breakfast is available during golf season.

Holiday specials and events are planned in advance and advertised throughout the base. Club membership is also available. Call 586-239-4344 for more information.

Former Services

Housing, family campgrounds, base gymnasion and swimming pools are some of the most frequently requested services of patrons to Selfridge; however, these services are not currently offered at the base, since BRAC 2005.

Selfridge Military Air Museum

The Air Museum is the primary outreach effort of the Michigan Air Guard Historical Association, a non-profit organization established in 1975. The Air Museum and Park are open to the general public from April through October on weekends, Memorial Day, and Independence Day from noon to 4:30 p.m. The Museum and Air Park can be opened at other times by appointment for groups by contacting the Museum at 586-239-6768. Admission is $4 per guest over 12 years old, and $3 for children 3-12.

STARBASE One

Selfridge is home of the very first STARBASE program. The Department of Defense STARBASE program offers a positive, proven approach to engendering excitement and interest in science, technology, engineering and math for 5th grade children. After 18 years of success, the DoD STARBASE dream has blossomed from a single classroom at Selfridge to classrooms in 34 states, Washington D.C., Indian reservations and U.S. Territories. The program has provided 20-25 hours of experiences at military bases for more than 600,000 students! For information on the Star Base Programs call 586-239-4884.
The area code for Selfridge is 586.

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Selfridge Safety Information

Cell phone use

Selfridge is a Department of Defense installation, which means there is to be no hand-held cell phone use while operating a motor vehicle. Hands-free cell phones and Blackberries are authorized for use by vehicle operators and passengers at all times. Passengers may use cell phones and Blackberries. Cell phones are prohibited on the flight line.

Speed limits

The speed limit on Selfridge is 25 mph unless otherwise posted. The following areas have reduced speed limits for safety reasons:

- **Vehicle parking areas** – 5 mph
- **Aircraft parking ramp** – 15 mph (5 mph within 25 feet of an aircraft)
- **Flight line access areas** – 15 mph
- **Designated traffic lanes on the ramp, taxiway or within 200 feet of aircraft parking area** – 15 mph

Anyone needing to drive a motor vehicle on the flight line must complete Selfridge flight line orientation prior to driving. All traffic flow on the aircraft parking ramp shall be in accordance with the Selfridge flight line driving plan, driver’s side toward aircraft. Do not drive diagonally across the aircraft parking ramp.

Motorcycles

Motorcycle riders will comply with Air Force Instruction 91-207, *The U.S. Air Force Traffic Safety Program*, complete an approved motorcycle safety course. Protective clothing is required while on base. Though Michigan recently passed a law making the wear of helmets optional for drivers/riders 18 years and older, the DoD still requires helmet wear on base for all individuals. Active duty military must wear their helmets at all times, on or off base. For more information on helmet wear guidelines and other personal protective equipment requirements, contact the 127th Wing Safety Office at 586-239-5854.

Pedestrian safety

When driving, pay special attention at all times, and especially during periods of low visibility, for individuals or groups performing physical training on or near the roadway.

Pedestrians must wear reflective belts during the hours from dusk till dawn and during time periods of reduced visibility. Headphones, wireless communication devices or ear buds are not allowed when running or walking on the roadways.

Exiting the Base

Use extreme caution when exiting the base using the main gate to William P. Rosso Hwy/Hall Rd/M-59. When merging into west bound traffic, visually ensure vehicle traffic is clear even if east bound traffic stops to allow you access.
Michigan lefts

Michigan uses a traffic pattern that is not very common in other parts of the U.S. This pattern is known as the Michigan Left. On roads with a divided median, left turns are generally not permitted at the intersection. Instead, drivers must proceed through the intersection, make a U-turn and then make a right turn onto their intended crossroad.

In the above diagram, the red line indicates the proper traffic flow for making a left turn onto a crossroad from a divided road. The green line indicates the proper traffic flow for making a left turn onto a divided road from a crossroad. Intersections that have Michigan Lefts will be marked with a sign several hundred feet before the intersection, giving drivers time to move to the proper lane. When you are in a turnaround lane, you may make a left turn on a steady red light if oncoming traffic is clear, after coming to a complete stop. If you are going straight across from a turnaround lane, you must wait for a green light.

Out-of-state drivers

If a driver with an out-of-state license is pulled over and cited for an infraction in Michigan, such as speeding, that driver must either surrender their license to the police officer, pay the officer $100 or provide the officer with a guaranteed appearance certificate. This is to ensure the driver will either appear in court or pay their citation, since Michigan cannot suspend out-of-state licenses, as is the norm with Michigan licenses for non-payment of citations.
Local Area Maps

Hotels and shopping

1. Wal-Mart
2. Hampton Inn
3. Holiday Inn
4. Target
5. Mall at Partridge Creek
6. Lakeside Mall
7. TownePlace Suites
8. Target
9. Comfort Inn
10. Hyatt/Holiday Inn / La quinta Inn
11. Courtyard / Staybridge Suites
12. Wal-Mart
13. Meijer
14. Commissary / Base Exchange

North
Restaurants – West Hall Road (M-59)

1. Burger King
2. Taco Bell
3. Achatz Burgers / Shogun / Jimmy John’s / Salad Creations / McDonald’s
5. Bubba’s 33 / Five Guys / Potbelly Sandwich Shop
6. Big Boy Restaurant
7. Teriyaki Madness / Noodles & Company / National Coney Island / LeAndro’s Cafe
8. Red Robin / Taco Bell / LongHorn Steakhouse / Firehouse Subs
10. B.J.’s Restaurant & Brewhouse / Andiamo / Denny’s / Pai Wei / Chipotle / Sterling’s Bistro
11. Red Lobster / Olive Garden / BD’s Mongolian Grill / Chili’s
12. KFC / Taco Bell / TGI Friday’s / Starbucks / Buca di Beppo Italian Restaurant / McDonald’s / National Coney Island / Applebee’s

North
Home to units from every component of the U.S. Armed Forces, Selfridge is one of the oldest and most complex military air fields in the nation. With National Guard and/or Reserve personnel from every branch of the U.S. Armed Forces, Selfridge provides a broad range of services and capabilities to the state and to the nation. Known as the Home of Generals, the base was the duty station at one time to more than 150 officers who eventually became general officers in the U.S. Air Force.

The 127th Wing of the Michigan Air National Guard is the host unit at the base. The base is located on the shores of Lake St. Clair in Harrison Township, Mich., about 20 miles from downtown Detroit. More than 66 tenant units, including components of the U.S. Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Customs & Border Protection, are located at Selfridge ANG Base. In total, nearly than 3,000 full-time civilian and military personnel work at the base, in addition to approximately 3,000 members of the Air and Army National Guard and the Reserve components of the U.S. Armed Forces. Primary aircraft assigned to the base are A-10 Thunderbolt II and KC-135 Stratotanker (Michigan Air National Guard); CH-47 Chinook helicopter (Michigan Army National Guard); HH-65 Dolphin helicopter (U.S. Coast Guard); and a variety of light helicopters and fixed wing aircraft (Customs & Border Protection).

**Assigned Units**
- 127th Wing, Michigan Air National Guard
- Coast Guard Air Station Detroit
- Navy Operations Support Center-Detroit
- Marine Wing Support Group-47
- Marine Wing Support Squadron 471-Det B
- Border Patrol
- Joint-Reserve Intelligence Support Element, European Command
- Joint Combat Support Systems
- Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 26
- 2nd Battalion, 337th Regiment
- Army Aviation Support Facility #2
- 1st Battalion, 24th Marine Regiment
- Customs and Border Protection Northern Air and Marine Wing
- STARBASE

**History**
The origins of the 127th Wing and Selfridge Air National Guard Base date back to the days of Wilbur & Orville Wright. The base's namesake, Army Lt. Thomas Selfridge, was killed while flying on a demonstration flight with Orville Wright in 1908 – the first military casualty of flight. In 1917, a local auto pioneer, Henry B. Joy, leased his rural airfield near Detroit to the military to train pilots and related personnel. The military has operated the field ever since. During World War II, maintenance personnel of the famed Tuskegee Airmen, an all-African American unit, trained at the base and helped lead the way toward the ending of racial segregation in the military. During the Cold War era, Nike missiles were stationed at the base to guard the industrial might of the Detroit region. Following the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, the 127th Wing began flying combat air patrol missions over the Great Lakes region within hours of the attack. It maintained that 24-hour mission until 2008, when the Wing transitioned to its current flying missions with the KC-135 and A-10.

Over the years, dozens of different types of aircraft have been assigned to the base. Examples of many of these aircraft, as well as related memorabilia are on display at the Selfridge Military Air Museum, which is located on the base and is open to the public. The base is also home to the first STARBASE center, a program created at Selfridge and later replicated around the Department of Defense, which encourages school age children to study math, science, and technology by introducing them to elements of the U.S. space program.
127th Wing Fact Sheet

Flying two aircraft and supporting two Air Force Major Commands, the 127th Wing is one of the most complex units in the U.S. Air Force. As a component of the Michigan Air National Guard, the Wing has a dual state and federal role and stands ready to serve both at home and abroad. Based at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mich., the 127th Wing is composed of approximately 1,700 Citizen-Airmen and provides highly-trained personnel and aircraft and support resources to serve the community, state and nation. The 127th Wing operates KC-135 Stratotankers, providing global aerial refueling capability in support of Air Mobility Command, and the A-10 Thunderbolt II, flying the close air support mission in support of Air Combat Command.

Organization

The 127th Wing was created in 1996 by the merger of the 127th Fighter Wing and the 191st Airlift Group. The 127th Wing is broken into five groups, each of which is composed of various flights and squadrons.

- The 127th Operations Group which flies the A-10C Thunderbolt II. The 127th OG includes the 107th Fighter Squadron and 127th Operation Support Flight.
- The 127th Maintenance Group, which supports the A-10 mission. The 127th MXG includes the 127th Maintenance Squadron, 127th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and 127th Maintenance Operations Flight.
- The 127th Medical Group, which provides for the combat readiness of the wing and provides a variety of medical support capabilities to the Air Force. The 127th MDG includes the 127th Medical Operations Flight and the 127th Medical Support Flight.

History

The 127th Wing includes one of the oldest existing units in the U.S. Air Force, the 107th Fighter Squadron. First organized as the 107th Aero Squadron in 1917, the unit was de-activated after World War I. After meeting in a garage in Detroit in 1925, the 107th Observation Squadron - consisting of 20 officers and 90 Airmen -- received federal recognition and has been in continuous operation since that time. During World War II, the unit was sent to England and flew combat support and reconnaissance during D-Day and through the end of the war in Europe. After the 2001 Terror Attacks, the Wing began flying air superiority patrols over the Detroit region and stood on 24-hour alert. In 2004, the unit was the first to fly the F-16 Falcon from a base inside Iraq. It began flying the A-10 in 2009.

The Wing’s 171st Air Refueling Squadron traces its roots to World War II, when it was established as a unit flying the P-47 Thunderbolt in the European Command. During the Korean War it was activated to serve as a pilot training unit in the American Southwest. In the 1970s, it began flying the F-106 Delta Dart and the unit became known as the "Six Pack," a moniker it retains until this day. After many years of flying C-130 aircraft, the 171st transitioned to the aerial refueling mission in 2008. Since that time, the 127th ARG and its aircraft have supported operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya and other locations.
Brig. Gen. Rolf E. Mammen is the Commander, 127th Wing, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Michigan. The 127th Wing is home to 1,700 Citizen-Airmen operating both the A-10 and KC-135 aircraft, as well the host to more than 47 tenant organizations from all branches of the military and numerous Department of Homeland Security organizations. Nearly 4,500 Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel call Selfridge home.

General Mammen was commissioned in 1986 through the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Astrophysics. After graduating from the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training program at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas in 1988, he served as an Instructor Pilot teaching advanced pilot training to students and instructors representing 12 participating NATO nations before joining the Michigan Air National Guard in 1994.

General Mammen is a Distinguished Graduate from the C-130 Pilot Initial Qualification course and has flown numerous operational missions domestically and in the Pacific, European, and South American theaters. In addition, he deployed to Ali Al Salem Air Base Kuwait in 2004-2005 in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom as the 738th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron's Operations Officer managing daily C-130 flying operation into Iraq and Afghanistan. In his civilian capacity, the general is a pilot with a major airline logging more than 10,000 flying hours in the B737, B757, B767 and the B777.

General Mammen served as the Wing Inspector General, and has several years of command experience as 127th Maintenance Squadron Commander, 127th Maintenance Group Commander, and 127th Wing Vice Commander. Prior to his current assignment, General Mammen was the Director of Operations, Headquarters Michigan Air National Guard, Lansing, Michigan.

EDUCATION
1986 Michigan State University, Bachelor of Science, Astrophysics, East Lansing, Mich.
1993 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence
2000 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
2005 Air War College, by correspondence
2015 Joint Forces Staff College, Advanced Joint Professional Military Education, Norfolk Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va.
2019 Masters of Science in Administration, Leadership Concentration, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.
ASSIGNMENTS
1. March 1987–April 1988, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, 88th Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
2. April 1988–July 1988, Student Pilot Instructor Training, 88th FTS, Sheppard AFB, Texas

FLIGHT INFORMATION
Rating: Command Pilot
Flight Hours: More than 3,000
Aircraft Flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38B, C-26A/B, C-130E

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS
Legion of Merit
Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS
Board of Directors Grosse Pointe War Memorial
National Guard Association of Michigan

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION
Second Lieutenant December 4, 1986
First Lieutenant December 4, 1988
Captain December 4, 1990
Major October 1, 1998
Lieutenant Colonel October 24, 2002
Colonel June 17, 2013
Brigadier General May 4, 2019
127th Wing Leadership

Brig. Gen. Rolf E. Mammen
127th Wing Commander

Col. Stanley J. Krasovic, Jr
127th Wing Vice Commander

CMSgt Daniel N. McDow
127th Wing Command Chief

Col. Nancy M. Dakin
127th Operations Group Commander

Col. Michael J. Kitto
127th Medical Group Commander

Col. Daniel Kramer
127th Mission Support Group Commander

Col. David J. Spehar
127th Maintenance Group Commander

Lt. Col. James Rossi
127th Air Refueling Group Commander