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FOUNDATION REPORT – JANUARY 30, 2009

The GEORGIA NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY SUPPORT FOUNDATION, INC. is a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization established in 1994 to provide emergency relief assistance during times of financial crisis to the members and families of the Georgia National Guard, our State's reservists and qualified active duty service members in the State of Georgia. The Foundation, although not a military organization, is recognized as an official support organization of the Georgia National Guard.

As a result of a generous campaign initiated by Governor Sonny Perdue, Mr. David Ratcliffe and the Georgia Chamber of Commerce towards the end of 2005, we have been able to help traditional and deployed soldiers and airmen and their families with emergency relief assistance. Our Board of Directors approved over \$52,000.00 in aid for 2005; \$ 253,000.00 in 2006; \$ 325,000.00 in 2007 and \$ 374,000.00 in 2008! These amounts total \$1,004,000.00 and helped over 1,056 families! Applications continue to come in daily and with approximately 3,800 troops expected to deploy in 2009, we anticipate the need for help to be even greater this year.

THE TIME TO REMEMBER THE 2008 STATE OF GEORGIA INCOME TAX CHECK-OFF IS NOW!

Georgia taxpayers have another opportunity to make donations to the Georgia National Guard Family Support Foundation when they file their taxes for the year 2008. A simple "check-off" box on the Georgia income tax return allows taxpayers to make donations that will be automatically deducted from their refund or included in their payment. The check-off box was added to the Georgia State Income Tax forms by the Georgia Legislature in 2005 as a show of support for the Georgia National Guard. **We received \$ 104,038.00 from 2007 Tax Returns; \$114,195.00 for 2006 and \$107,559.00 for calendar year 2005 from the Department of Revenue.**

Reportedly 98% of the amounts collected by the State were from \$1.00 donations!

CHRISTMAS 2008 – OFFICE AUCTION and luncheon for the employees of the Human Resources Office and the Oglethorpe Armory staff raised **\$ 3,912.00** for the Foundation's General Fund this year! CW2 Larry Dawson a/k/a "Dawson's Auction" was able to secure items from many different vendors for auction to the highest bidder at our December event. Everybody had a great time for a good cause and we appreciate the support!

We were also fortunate to receive donations designated specifically for the 2008 Christmas Program from individuals and businesses throughout the State of Georgia. These contributions amounted to \$2,975.00 and were used to help buy toys, clothing and gifts for over 600 children of Georgia National Guard soldiers and airmen. The Christmas Program was coordinated by Mrs. Kim Garrett, Youth Program Director, and was supported by the State Family Assistance Coordinators and others. We would like to acknowledge Ms. Lillian Allen; **All-American Capital Group, LLC**; Edward Lindsey, Jr.; Timothy McCreary; The Rothman Corporation; Vaughn Tile Company; Ruth Washington; Woodmen of the World Lodge 6023 in Lizella, GA; Woodmen of the World Lodge # 369 in Forsyth, GA; and Neil Weathington for their contributions!

Mr. Ian O'Brien of the ALL-AMERICAN CAPITAL GROUP, LLC, presenting \$1,600.00 check to CW2 Larry Dawson for the 2008 Christmas Assistance Program.



GEORGIA POWER FOUNDATION, INC. Special THANKS to Mike Worley and the Georgia Power Foundation, Inc. for their donation of **\$ 10,000.00** in December 2008. The Georgia Power Foundation, Inc. has been a strong supporter to the Foundation. Mike Worley serves as Assistant to the Executive Vice President of External Affairs at Georgia Power Company. He works with governmental affairs, corporate communication, community and economic development, environmental affairs and land departments. He serves on our Board as a most valuable member and we are grateful for his guidance and advice to the Foundation throughout the year!

HONOR OF COL (Ret) BRUCE BECK – A \$1,000.00 donation was made to the Foundation by Mr. and Mrs. Scott Beck to honor his father, Col (Ret) Bruce Beck in December 2008. We have just learned that Col Beck has passed away and a celebration of his life of service will be held on January 31, 2009.

THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF CIVILIAN TECHNICIANS –donated \$ 1,000.00 to the Foundation on December 18, 2008. This is the second contribution the Foundation has received from the Association and we greatly appreciate their ongoing interest and support!




TSgt David Houghtaling and SSgt Mark Soper from the Georgia Association of Civilian Technicians presented a \$1,000.00 check to Col Jay Peno.

GEORGIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD vs GEORGIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD
NOTE: DATE CHANGE TO: FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2009 AT 1:00 P.M.

“Come one, come all to witness the Battle of the Century!!! Come support your fellow Guardsmen as they take the NBA court live from Philips Arena to raise money for the Georgia National Guard Foundation! SPECIAL PRICES include the Guard game AND the HAWKS vs. PACERS GAME that night! Proceeds from each ticket using a SPECIAL OFFER CODE will benefit the Foundation! Get your tickets today:

TICKETMASTER LINK: <http://www.ticketmaster.com/promo/wqghxp>


SPECIAL OFFER CODE: GUARD




ATLANTA HAWKS

**Georgia National Guard
Charity Basketball Game!!!**

Come one, Come all to witness the Battle of the Century!!! Come support your fellow Guardsmen as they take the NBA court live from Philips Arena to raise money for the Georgia National Guard Foundation! Special Prices include the Guard game AND the Hawks vs. Pacers game that Night! Don't miss this extraordinary event!




vs.



GA Army National Guard vs. GA Air National Guard
Friday, APRIL 10, 2009 1:00PM

Proceeds from each ticket go the GA National Guard Foundation!! Get your seats today! **TICKETMASTER LINK:**
<http://www.ticketmaster.com/promo/wqghxp>

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Name _____
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National Guard Night with the Atlanta Hawks			
*Location	# OF SEATS	Special Price!!!	TOTAL
*Upper level		\$20 (reg. \$30)	
*Lower Level		\$60 (reg. \$70)	
*During Hawks game	Go Guard!! Go Hawks!	Total Enclosed	\$

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 Check (Payable to Atlanta Hawks)
 Card No. _____
 Exp. Date _____
 Name on Card _____
 Signature _____

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7TH ANNUAL TOP GUN MOTORCYCLE RIDE FOR CHILDREN

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009

The Georgia National Guard Family Support Foundation has been selected as the military support organization to receive funds from the **7th Annual Top Gun Ride for Children** sponsored by **The Center for Children and Young Adults** in Marietta, GA. This is the **THIRD** year that the Foundation has been the recipient of this event. The Center provides facilities and support programs for abused, neglected and abandoned children in the Metropolitan area of Atlanta. The Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) organization and provides statewide emergency relief assistance to members and families of the Georgia National Guard. Both organizations depend on private and public donations for support and extend heartfelt appreciation to all who were able to participate in this fun and worthwhile event.

The 7TH Annual Top Gun Ride for Children will depart from Hooters in Kennesaw at 4:30 p.m. The Cobb County Police Motorcycle Unit will lead a one hour escorted tour of West Cobb County before arriving at the gates of the NAVAL AIR STATION and onto the runway.

The GA National Guard provided a UH-1 as a static display in previous years. Attendees were able to have their photograph taken in front of the UH-1. Food was included from various vendors at the hangar last year and radio station 97.1 provided music. A silent auction was held. There were at least 250 bikes in the Ride last year. To see two columns of bikes at least a mile long riding together was really incredible. The Cobb County Police Department did an outstanding job escorting the Ride and the numerous Top Gun Ride Volunteers made the event a great success. Go to www.topgunrideatlanta.com for more information about the organizing efforts this year! A special thanks from the Foundation to Mike Worley, our valued Board Member, and the Committee for including the Foundation in this remarkable event!

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TOP GUN

RIDE FOR CHILDREN RIDE THE RUNWAY

THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG ADULTS AND
THE GEORGIA NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY SUPPORT FOUNDATION

FAREWELL RIDE

WELCOME RIDE

Join us for the 7th Annual Top Gun Ride for Children scheduled Saturday, April 25th. The escorted ride departs Hooters in Kennesaw at 4:30 p.m., travels through west Cobb and then proceeds to Naval Air Station Atlanta where we will ride the runway and end at Hangar 1. Music, food, silent auction and program await riders at the hangar.

Participation is \$30 per person. \$10 for Children 12 and Under
All proceeds benefit The Center for Children & Young Adults (www.umbrellaweb.org)
and the Georgia National Guard Family Support Foundation (www.georgiaguardfamily.org).

For more information visit www.TopGunRideAtlanta.com.
Pre-registration is available on the website and is encouraged. Pre-register by April 10th
and receive your own commemorative 7th Annual Top Gun Ride for Children dog tag.

All riders must be registered prior to departing Hooters
(valid driver's license, proof of insurance, bike registration required).



**COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN (CFC) FOR 2009
OUR 5-DIGIT ORGANIZATION NUMBER IS 70602.**

The 2009-2010 applications for the CFC Campaign are due on or before 1 March 2009. We will be submitting our applications prior to the deadline with anticipated approval from the nine agencies located throughout the State of Georgia.



SOUTHWEST GA AREA CFC – ALBANY, GA
NORTHEAST GA AREA CFC – ATHENS, GA
METROPOLITAN ATLANTA AREA CFC – ATLANTA, GA
CSRA CFC – AUGUSTA, GA
TRI-COMMUNITY AREA CFC – COLUMBUS, GA
MIDDLE GEORGIA AREA CFC – MACON, GA
CFC FOR COASTAL GA – SAVANNAH, GA

GREATER CHATTANOOGA AREA CFC – CHATTANOOGA, TN
(includes Dade, Catoosa, Chattooga, Gordon, Murray, Walker and Whitfield Counties, GA)

NORTHEAST FLORIDA-SOUTHEAST GEORGIA REGIONAL CFC – JACKSONVILLE, FL
(includes Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Ben Hill, Berrien, Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee, Cook, Echols, Glynn, Irwin, Pierce, Telfair, Turner, Jeff Davis, Ware, Wayne, Wheeler and Wilcox Counties, GA)

FREEDOM

Renowned Georgia artist, Steve Penley, created an original artwork, entitled **FREEDOM**. Through the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, the original painting was auctioned and the winning bid was \$12,000.00 with the proceeds to the Foundation in 2006. We have received an additional \$ 13,000.00 from the sale of the signed prints from a limited edition of 2000 reproductions. Prints are available through our office and our website (www.georgiaguardfamily.org) for \$50.00.



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