

**NOVEMBER 6, 2012 OSOTMG MEETING at TREA 39,
15821 E. Centertech Circle, Aurora, Colorado**

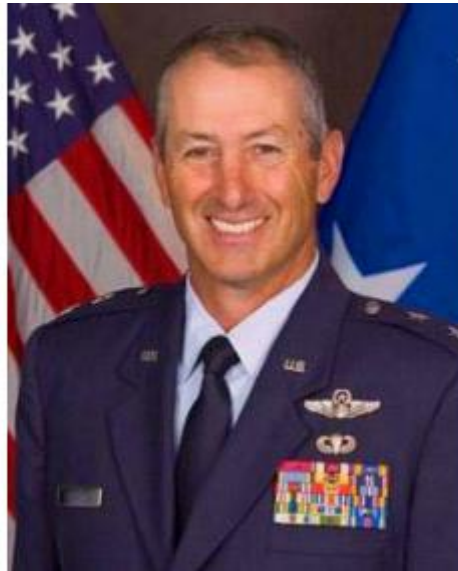
Arrive at 11 AM to sign in and socialize. Meeting starts at 11:45 AM. PA System, courtesy of Joe Broom.

- 1. Open and welcome- DO Neary. Then the Pledge of Allegiance to American Flag.**
- 2. Introduce Guest Speaker- THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, MAJ GEN MICHAEL EDWARDS by DO Neary.**
- 3. Introduce OSOTMG Committee members- DO Neary, Jan Love, Dewey Hicks, Bill and Joan Pickens, Dan Gay, Steve Taylor, and Paul Turner.**
- 5. GEN Mike Edwards: Military Status Briefing for Colorado Guardsmen.**
- 6. COANG Aircraft Calendar or Poster Project- Dewey Hicks.**
- 7. Discussion about what topics members want for future meetings- DO Neary.**
- 8. NGAUS Report- Chief Saitta.**
- 9. Sick Call Report- Jan Love.**
- 10. Taps Report-Jan Love.**
- 11. Discussion about bringing back a Lunch menu to the meeting- Dan Gay.**
- 12. Air Heritage Committee Decade Panel Project- DO Neary.**
- 14. Retirements- Jan Love.**
- 15. Birthdays- Dan Gay and Dewey Hicks.**
- 16. Howdy Duty Story from a members about past service- Dewey Hicks.**

- 17. Close and next meeting, Tuesday, December 4th at TREA 39 building-DO Neary.**

NOTE: MEETING MINUTES TAKEN BY JOE BROOM AND DEWEY HICKS. PLEASE SUBMIT NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO BILL AND JOAN PICKENS.

BIOGRAPHY OF COLORADO ADJUTANT GENERAL, MAJ MICHAEL EDWARDS



Major General H. Michael Edwards is The Adjutant General for Colorado. He is responsible for the command administration of over 5,000 Colorado Army and Air National Guard members. He also serves as the Executive Director of the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs and is a member of the Governor's cabinet. He has responsibility for the Colorado National Guard's primary missions of national defense and state emergency response. In addition, he is responsible for supporting the missions of the Civil Air Patrol's Colorado Wing, consisting of over 2,500 volunteers.

General Edwards was commissioned a Second Lieutenant upon graduation on 6 June 1973 from the United States Air Force Academy. He attended undergraduate pilot training at Reese Air Force Base, Texas and earned his pilot wings in September 1974. He served as an F-4 Pilot and AT-38 Fighter Lead-in Instructor Pilot at Osan Air Base, Korea and Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, respectively. General Edwards joined the Colorado Air National Guard in August 1980. He has served in numerous assignments in flying and operations, as well as command positions at squadron, group, and wing levels. He also served as Combined Air Operations Center Commander, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar from May to June 2003. Major General Edwards is a command pilot with more than 4600 military flight hours, including 135 combat hours. He has flown the A-7, AT-38, C-21, F-4, F-16, T-37, and T-38 aircraft.

EDUCATION:

1973 United States Air Force Academy, Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineer, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado 1997 Air War College, by correspondence 2007 National Guard Joint Task Force Commander Course, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. August 1973 - September 1974, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Reese Air Force Base, Texas

2. October 1974 - November 1974, Student, AT-38, Fighter Lead-in Training, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico
3. November 1974 - December 1975, Student, F-4, Replacement Training Unit, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida
4. December 1975 - December 1976, Pilot, F-4, 36th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Osan Air Base, Korea
5. January 1977 - February 1978, Pilot, F-4, 7th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico
6. March 1978 - March 1980, Instructor Pilot, AT-38, 436th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico
7. April 1980 - August 1993, A-7&F-16 Pilot/Instructor Pilot/Flight Commander /Scheduler, 120th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Buckley Air National Guard Base, Colorado
8. September 1993 - March 1995, F-16 Instructor Pilot/Operations Officer/Scheduler/Standardization and Evaluation Flight Examiner, 120th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Buckley Air National Guard Base, Colorado
9. April 1995 - May 1997, Commander, 120th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Buckley Air National Guard Base, Colorado
10. June 1997 - August 1998, Commander, 140th Operations Group, Buckley Air National Guard Base, Colorado
11. September 1998 - August 2002, Vice Commander, 140th Wing, Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado
12. September 2002 - May 2007, Commander, 140th Wing, Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado
13. May 2003 - June 2003, Combined Air Operations Center Director, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar
14. May 2007 - Present, The Adjutant General, Colorado National Guard

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot Flight Hours: More than 4600; 135 combat hours Aircraft Flown: AT-38, A-7D/K, C-21, F-4D/E, F-16C/D, T-37, T-38 Pilot wings from: Reese Air Force Base, Texas

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster) Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters) Air Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters) Aerial Achievement Medal Air Force Commendation Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters) Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster) Combat Readiness Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters) National Defense Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Stars) Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal Southwest Asia Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Star) Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Korean Defense Service Medal Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster) Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with "M" Device, 1 Silver Hourglass and 1 Bronze numeral "3") Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (with 1 Bronze Star) Air Force Training Ribbon Colorado Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Star) Colorado Active Service Medal (with 4 Bronze Stars) Colorado The Adjutant General Outstanding Unit Citation Colorado Long Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Stars) Colorado State Emergency Service Ribbon Colorado Foreign Deployment Service Ribbon (with 1 Silver Star and 3 Bronze Stars) Colorado State Mobilization Support Ribbon

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:

Veterans of Foreign Wars Air Force Association American Legion National Guard Association of the United States National Guard Association of Colorado National Rifle Association

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

1977 49th Tactical Fighter Wing Top Gun 1978 49th Tactical Fighter Wing Top Gun 1979 465th Tactical Training Wing/49th Tactical Fighter Wing Combined Top Gun 2001 Team Leader 140th Wing's Champion Team Greater Georgia Turkey Shoot 2001 140th Wing Top Gun 2002 140th Wing Top Gun

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant 6 June 1973 First Lieutenant 6 June 1975 Captain 6 June 1977 Major 6 June 1987 Lieutenant Colonel 20 August 1992 Colonel 3 March 1998 Brigadier General 9 October 2002 Major General 5 May 2007

