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Pa. State Representative Scott Perry guest speaker

Feb. 16, 2010 -- Nearly everyone, at some point in their life, has been in a situation when they needed emergency financial assistance. The Army Emergency Relief program is here make sure that Soldiers are not left without help in their time of need.

You can help. Tickets are now on sale for the 2010 Army Emergency Relief Kick-Off luncheon which will be held Feb. 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Letort View Community Center. Guest speaker for the event will be Pa. State Representative (and Pa. Army National Guard Lt. Col.) Scott Perry.

Perry is the Commander of the 2-104th General Support Aviation Battalion. He assumed the command in February of 2008. That unit was called to service in Iraq, deploying in January 2009. The deployment ended in January 2010, after a successful mission, and returned to the base at Fort Indiantown Gap. He returned to his duties serving the constituents of the 92nd Legislative District on Feb. 1.

Since 1942 AER has been helping Soldiers with their financial emergency needs, but the money that goes to helping the Soldiers doesn't come from the governmental budget. The money comes from Soldier and civilian donations, according to the AER website.

The money that you donate will go to Soldiers and their families needing financial assistance with things such as food, rent, utilities, emergency transportation, vehicle repair, funeral expenses, medical and dental expenses and more, according to the AER website.

Tickets are \$10, call 245-3296 or 245-3244 for more information.

