

**417th Base Support Battalion**

## **S A F E T Y   B U L L E T I N**

### **Safe Driving in the Fall**

**With the end of Summer come two of the most hazardous weather conditions we can experience on the road: rain and fog.**

**Fog restricts visibility and can reflect your own headlights back into your eyes. To reduce the problem:**

- a. SLOW DOWN!**
- b. Use low beams only (fog lights if so equipped).**
- c. Use roads edge markings as guides.**
- d. Pull off in a rest area and wait until fog lifts, if visibility is less than 25 meters.**

**Driving in heavy rain can be as hazardous as driving in fog, vehicles to the rear and in blind spots are especially difficult to see through rain spattered windows. When driving in rain:**

- a. SLOW DOWN!**
- b. Use low beams to see and be seen.**
- c. Wait a short time after the rain begins before using windshield wipers.**
- d. Make sure windshield wipers are in good condition; replace them if necessary.**
- e. Be careful of hydroplaning, where the tires of your vehicle can lose all contact with the road and ride on a film of water. Total loss of control is possible. The best way to prevent hydroplaning is to SLOW DOWN!**

**Drive carefully----It's dangerous out there!!**

**Never drink and drive.**