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PERSONNEL CHANGES

The following personnel were enlisted into the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of March. Those identified with (1) are prior service; those with (2) are non-prior service and those with (3) transferred from other states.
WELCOME Y'ALL!! GLAD TO HAVE YOU.

192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP
ILT VANDENBROEK, KENNETH W. (1)

192D MOBILITY SUPPORT FLIGHT
SGT HARRIS, FRED E. (1)

192D CAMRON
ILT THOMPSON, JOHN O. (1)
SSG COLEMAN, JERRY N. (1)
SGT AKERS, JOHN A. (1)
SGT KAVESKI, FRANK N. (1)
ALC BYRD, HENRY L. (1)
ALC FRIDELL, CHARLES L. JR. (3)
ALC LAZENBY, ROBERT L. (1)
ALC LIPFORD, TED L. (1)
AB ELGERT, KENNETH W. (2)
AB MASON, RANDOLPH M. (2)

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
SSG CARLTON, ROBERT K. (1)
SGT MCLEOD, MARION JR. (1)
SGT SLAYTON, MICHAEL A. (1)
SGT WALKER, ALVIN E. (1)
AB KING, DORIS E. (2)

192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT
SGT MCNAMARA, GEORGE P. JR. (1)
SGT TAYLOR GEORGE III (1)
ALC LILLY, ORVILLE L. JR. (1)

192D WEAPONS SYSTEMS SECURITY FLT
SGT WYCHE, MICHAEL (1)

The following personnel were discharged from the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of March.

149TH TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON
SSG HARRISON, FRED J.

192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP
AMN LETT, GLENDA A.

192D MOBILITY SUPPORT FLIGHT
SSG HAGLER, DAVID L. JR.

192D CAMRON
SSG HARTMAN, DENNIS J.
SSG SAVILLE, DANIEL B.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
TSG LEWIS, JAMES R.
SSG PRICE, THOMAS E. JR.
SGT FUTRELL, PHILLIP T.
SGT POTTER, WAYNE L.

192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT
SSG KODAY, JOHN J.

192D WEAPONS SYSTEMS SECURITY FLT
SGT PEARSON, ANTHONY W.

CAPSULE LAW

FEDERAL TAX RETURNS DUE 15 APR 76

INCOME TAX AND MILITARY SERVICE

TAXABLE INCOME. In general, military pay other than allowances is subject to income tax. This means that you do not pay tax on any subsistence, quarters, and uniform allowances you receive. But some allowances, such as a dislocation allowance, are taxable. Questions about the taxability of allowances should be referred to your local income tax advisor or legal assistance officer.

Any nonmilitary earnings, and the earnings of dependents, of course, must be taken into consideration in preparing a Federal income tax return.

Military retired/retainer pay based on length of service is subject to Federal income tax. However, a fact that may later be of considerable interest to you is that any part of retirement pay based on physical disability is not subject to Federal income tax.

EXCLUDED INCOME. In addition certain income exclusions apply for service in any area that the President of the United States designates by Executive Order as a combat zone. Vietnam was so designated. All military pay received by enlisted members and warrant officers while on active duty in such a zone is excluded from Federal income tax. Up to \$500 a month received by commissioned officers for service in a combat zone is excluded. This is only an exclusion from taxable income and does not affect your responsibility to file a tax return.

Under the reporting systems used by the Services to confirm your earnings for pay purposes, nontaxable allowances and any excluded pay are not included in the amount of taxable earnings shown on the W-2 Form.

AUTHORIZED DELAYS IN FILING. Any citizen of the United States, including a member of the Armed Forces, who is not in the United States or Puerto Rico on April 15, is allowed an automatic extension until June 15 for filing a Federal income tax return for the preceding calendar year. Armed Forces members serving in a combat zone may delay Federal income tax returns for 180 days after leaving such

zone or, if hospitalized outside the United States as a result of injury incurred while serving in the combat zone, for 180 days after release from the hospital, whichever is later.

DELINQUENCY. If you become delinquent in payment of Federal income tax, your military pay can be levied (seized) by the Internal Revenue Service up to the amount you owe.

STATE INCOME TAXES. In regard to State income taxes, the Soldiers and Sailors' Civil Relief Act exempts the service pay of an Armed Forces member on active duty from taxation by a State in which he or she may be stationed but that is not the member's permanent home (or domiciliary) State. This law does not, however, exempt any nonmilitary income a member may derive from sources within the State in which the member is stationed. Nor does it exempt the income of any civilian member of his or her household from taxes by that State.

State income tax is never automatically withheld from military pay. It may be withheld from nonmilitary earnings of an Armed Forces member, except that pay received from nonappropriated fund activities is not subject to State withholding. It would be withheld from earnings of dependents in the same manner as from the earnings of other State residents working in that State.

GET HELP. Consult your legal assistance officer for specific information regarding your obligations under Federal, State, and local laws concerning the payment of taxes and the filing of returns.

KEEP RECORDS. Always keep copies of your Federal, State, and local tax returns, as well as canceled checks or other evidence of payment. Their location should be included in your Personal Affairs Record.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

GENERAL PROTESTANT HOUR

SUNDAY 1330 HOURS

CHURCH OF THE LATER DAY SAINTS

SUNDAY 1500 HOURS

NEXT UTA

MAY 1 & 2

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

ONE NATION... WITH JUSTICE FOR ALL

In my previous article I discussed the issue of our relationship with God, under the title, "One Nation...under God", as my first attempt to answer the question, "How can one properly celebrate the Bicentennial?" Today I want to make some comments on one aspect of "Justice for All".

In many areas of the world today and in many aspects of our lives, we find victims of injustice. Sometimes we are oppressed, and at other times we are the oppressors. How can we end these injustices?

Justice has a personal dimension, and personal justice is the basis for an effective, collective system. Justice for All will only be achieved when personal justice is complete. Personal justice has to do with all aspects of life. It relates not only to privileges but also to responsibilities. For instance, it deals not only with pay but also with work. Productivity is as important as salary if we are to have justice. It is extremely easy to forget and to ignore the responsibility side of justice for all.

If we are to have justice for all, it must start with me. My attitude toward my work, my neighbors, and my friends will determine how justice will be applied, not only to me but also to others. My unjust action will bring injustice upon many, and finally upon myself.

The God whom we worship, and upon whom we call for guidance and strength, is a most just God. His Word teaches us that justice and loving kindness are paramount virtues of His children. So, in response to God, and in recognition of all our nation has provided and meant to us, and also as a most proper way to celebrate the American Bicentennial, let us commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice. Let us begin with ourselves as individuals, accepting our responsibilities and performing our work with zeal and pride.

CHAPEL NOTICES

We welcome Sgt. Michael A. Slaton, our new Chapel Management Specialist, as he joins our 192D TFG. Sgt Slayton joins the Air National Guard after six years with the Army National Guard. We know that his contribution will improve the work and program of our Chapel.

SECURITY POLICE

REPORTING AND INVESTIGATING
ESPIONAGE, SABOTAGE, AND
SUBVERSION

AFR 205-57, required that upon personnel being assigned they will be initially briefed, and will be briefed annually thereafter on the techniques used by hostile intelligence services and subversive groups and on the reporting requirements of such activities. Being an annual requirement, your First Sgts will be recording this briefing on AF Form 572.

TECHNIQUES USED

Because the primary role of the Air Force is that of aerospace, it has become the primary target of Communist and other subversive groups. The ultimate objective of these groups is to obtain military information, to prepare for the sabotage of AF installations, and to weaken the effectiveness of AF by recruiting AF personnel into subversive ranks.

The means in obtaining these objects is primarily through the use of information gathered from AF personnel and those civilians working for the service.

An enemy agent will generally not try to bribe you nor will he directly seek out information from you. He will, however, develop an acquaintance with you, and once established, will be able to obtain the majority of the desired information without alerting you to this fact.

Through carelessness, ignorance, or gullibility, airmen have revealed to enemy agents information which has been detrimental to the mission. Agents also obtain information from AF personnel through the exploitation of a weakness in the airmen, and through bribery and coercion. Threats to ones physical safety, or to the safety of loved ones and relatives are another means of forcing the airmen to provide information.

What information, then, is sought by an agent? It can be stated that agents obtain all types of information concerning AF activities.

Information, classified or unclassified, in printed form is sought. Examples of this are names and biographic data of AF personnel, copies of base telephone di-

rectories, rosters, base maps, location of resources and number of personnel on base. Some information, of course, is not as important as others. The one who determines the importance is the agent and not the airman, for as innocent a piece of information may seem to be, it may be just what is needed by the agent.

INVESTIGATION RESPONSIBILITY

The responsibility of investigating in this area is with OSI. Note, the individual airman is not responsible for investigating. The airman is, however, responsible in reporting the incident and should he deliberately fail to inform his commander or supervisor, disciplinary action may result.

One word of caution: if you should ever be in a situation in which you believe that an enemy agent is involved, do not show your suspicion to the individual, be agreeable but non-committal, report the incident and cooperate with the OSI or other investigator investigating the incident.

ACTION TAKEN BY AIRMEN

The best action to take is not discuss AF activities with unauthorized personnel. If there is any doubt concerning whether or not a piece of information should be revealed, the best course to follow is not to discuss it.

If you should find someone trying to gain information from you, you should take the following action:

1. Each AF member will notify his commander or supervisor upon immediately becoming aware of such activity.
2. Supervisors will report the matter immediately to the unit commander.
3. Commanders will forward to local OSI office or directly to Hdg. USAF.

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SAFETY

SAFETY TIPS FOR THE DRIVE HOME

If you are planning to use your automobile to return from Annual Field Training (AFT) at Savannah this year, let me pass along a few tips....REMEMBER

1. Speed limits are generally 55 rather than 70 MPH on the interstates and are rigidly enforced.
2. Allow plenty of time for your travel.
3. Take frequent rest stops, at least every two hours.
4. Make sure your car is in good mechanical condition, especially your brakes and exhaust systems.
5. Keep your glassed area (windshield, mirrors, etc.) clean to insure proper visibility.
6. Keep your seatbelt and shoulder belts buckled. Make sure any passengers also buckel up.
7. If you get sleepy or tired, let someone else drive.
8. Gasoline is highly explosive. Don't carry it anyplace except in the cars factory installed fuel tank.
9. Good common sense will insure that you and your passengers arrive safely.



HETTERMANN COPS TOP GUN AWARD 1ST IN THREE CATEGORIES

Capt Mark Hettermann was awarded a plaque at the Tuesday evening 192D Officers Party for his first place finish in the 149th Tactical Fighter Squadron's calender year 1975 Top Gun Competition. Hettermann scored an unprecedented first place in all three categories; high angle bombing, low angle bombing and strafing. This is the first time a member of the 149th has scored a first place finish in the best bomber and best strafe categories. Hettermann competed against forty two pilots in the annual competition.

The Top Gun Award was based on the performance of the pilots in the three categories throughout the year. This year there are three bombing categories in addition to strafe.

Other members of the 149th who rounded out the top ten in order are: Maj Jim Gunter, Cpt Bill Jones, LTC Bob Beasley, LTC Al Mattox, LTC "Whitey" Lemmond, LTC Al Washington, Ctp Burt Etherington, 1Lt Taylor Cole, and LTC T. Coke.

149th Commander, LTC Lemmond, said of Hettermann's performance: "Mark has consistantly been near the top in all categories of the competition. His finishing first in all three is comparable to a horse winning the triple crown. It takes hard work and effort to win, and every one of our pilots wants to win. I am particularly pleased to see a company grade pilot pick up all the marbles."

Hettermann said of his selection, "This competition is always close, and there really isn't a great difference between No 1 and No 43. In many cases it's only a couple of feet or just a few more strafe hits."

PRACTICE ORI SET FOR MAY 1 & 2

The 192D Tactical Fighter Group will conduct a practice ORI during the May 1st and 2nd Unit Training Assembly. Personnel will be required to report to their duty sections by 0700 on both Saturday and Sunday.

Included in the practice ORI will be a mobility exercise.

According to Director of Logistics LtCol James Gayhart, "All unit personnel should review the ORI operational plan so that they are aware of their section's ORI responsibilities. The unit is vulnerable for an ORI at any time, and each member must insure that his section is in the proper shape."



INSPECTORS KEY ON 35-10 VIOLATIONS

A review of some recent ORI reports from other units reveals that inspectors are very conscious of the appearance and military bearing of members of the units they are inspecting. Below is a list of a few items that many units seem to be lax about enforcing:

1. **SALUTE.** The salute is a formal military greeting, a way of saying hello. Inspectors look at and for salutes when visiting units.
2. **ZIP JACKETS.** The short blue jacket must be worn with the zipper fixed and zipped at least half way to the top.
3. **APPEARANCE.** Keep your hair cut, shoes shinned and uniforms neatly pressed. Many units are being written up for violations in this area.
4. **SMILE.** If you look like you are enjoying your work, it will rub off on our visitors, and they will go away with a good impression of our units.

As members of the 192D TFG, we should be proud of our unit and work to make sure everyone who comes in contact with the 192D is impressed not only by the appearance and military bearing of the members but also goes away knowing that the 192D has a, can do, attitude about its' mission.



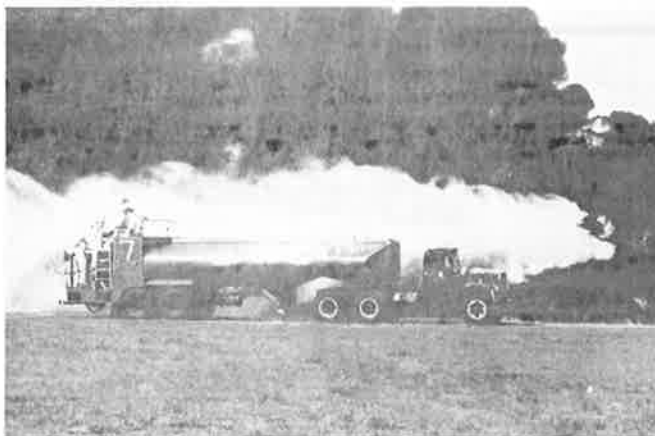
Lt. Col. Al Mattox
New Director of Operations

LT. COL. AL MATTOX ASSUMES
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS DUTIES

Lt Col Al Mattox has been selected to succeed Lt Col Robert Beasley as Director of Operations for the 192D Tactical Fighter Group. Lt Col Beasley will move to the Headquarters, Virginia Air National Guard.

Mattox has been a member of the Virginia Air National Guard since 1960. Prior to joining the 192D, he served on active duty with the Air Force, flying T-33's and B-25's and serving as a GCI radar controller. Prior to assuming his duties as Director of Operations, Mattox was Air Operations Officer for the 192D TFG.

Mattox, who has more than 8,000 hours flying time of which 4,000 are in single seat fighters, is a pilot for American Airlines. He is based in Washington D.C. and serves as 1st Officer on a Boeing 727. He is a member of the Allied Pilots Association and is active in the all weather operations and safety committees.



"Gibson" runway foamer being used by 192d TFG Firefighters.

VaANG FIREFIGHTERS UNDERGO SPECIAL TRAINING

Four members of the 192D TFG's firefighting department underwent special training during the first week of annual field training. SSgt Jackie G. Williams, and Sgts David L. Butler, Michael L. Fisher and William W. Watson participated in a practice fire using a "Gibson" runway foamer. This was the first time members of the unit have practiced with a "Gibson" runway foamer stated fire chief SMSgt Clyde M. Reese of the activity. According to Reese, this was a unique opportunity for fire department members because there are only four such trucks located in guard units throughout the United States.

The foamer, which belongs to the Georgia Air Guards 165th Tactical Airlift Group, can foam a runway, resupply first response aircraft firefighting trucks or furnish turret nozzle/handline firefighting support.

VIRGINIA GUARD CONFERENCE SET FOR APRIL 24 & 25

Officers who plan to attend the Annual Conference of the Virginia National Guard Association set at the Richmond Hyatt House for April 24 and 25 should get their registration forms in to Capt Buddy Evans as soon as possible. This year the 192D TFG is the host unit for the conference.

PHOTO SLIDES AND FILM NEEDED

Anyone having good quality 35 mm slides or 16 mm film footage of unit activities should contact the Information Office. Slides and film are needed to help complete a unit briefing for public use. If you have slides or film, they will be borrowed and duplicated and returned to you. Contact Capt Frank McNally during the next UTA.



Msgt Connie E. Hughes of CAMRON greeted Major General William J. McCaddin, Adjutant General of Virginia on the general's arrival at Travis Field on Tuesday. General McCaddin flew from Richmond to Travis in the back seat of one of the 192d's F-105 F "Thunderchiefs" piloted by Colonel Claude Heath, Commander of the 192d. General McCaddin will tour shops and offices during his visit with the 192d.



Savannah television news reporter, WSAV-TV, John Robins filming the landing of two 192d TFG F-105 "Thunderchiefs".