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# 192D TAC FTR GRP EARNS DISTINCTION DURING RECENT ORI

## From The Commander



You worked long and hard and did yourself and your unit proud.

I saw teamwork and esprit de corps demonstrated during this ORI that is indicative of this unit when the challenge has been laid.

Hours were not the concern. Can it be done was not the concern. Give us the job and we'll get it done was the prevalent attitude of every woman and man assigned. And get it done you did!

Each of us should be justly proud of our unit because we have demonstrated the capability to perform our assigned mission in a highly professional manner. The 192d Tactical Fighter Group has made a lasting impression and established a high mark for others to follow.

Congratulations! Well done!

CLAUDE F. HEATH  
Col, VaANG, Commander

## *Unit's Combat Capability Upholds TAC Motto, "Readiness Is Our Profession"*

"To the best of my knowledge, this is the first time a unit has received such a "high" Operational Readiness rating under the new criteria," said a Colonel from the Tactical Air Command (TAC) Inspector General's (IG) Office.

Another way of putting it is that the new AFR 123-5, Criteria for ORI, has given active, reserve, and guard forces nightmares. Units have struggled through the new ORIs emerging with "Marginal" or "Satisfactory" ratings while the 192d Tactical Fighter Group (TFG) responded to the challenge with a strong rating.

The actual inspection started in Richmond with the IG team from Ninth Air Force giving the 192d a hypothetical war scenario to act upon. In short, our ally, Altamaha, had been invaded and we were being deployed to assist our ally in defending against the enemy.

The inspectors evaluated our deployment capability. They wanted to know if we could effectively mobilize our unit and move to another "country" and then fight a war. Deploy, we did! Personnel, clothing, typewriters, paper, aircraft, tools and everything we needed was transported to Savannah, "Altamaha". When we arrived we were tasked with developing tactics and carrying out the mission.

Members of the inspection team responded to our actions as if they were the enemy and so the "war" developed. Enemy actions were plotted and we responded. On the base at Travis Field, the inspectors were busy creating diversions by simulating enemy guerrilla activity that was designed to disrupt our ability to fly and fight.

Bomb threats, sniper fire, kidnappings and virtually every trick was used to create havoc that would impede our fighting mode.

In the end, we had beaten the enemy to submission for only the second time since the AFR 123-5 had been adopted. We worked 12-18 hour days, endured the worst that the inspectors could devise and yet we managed to fly a record number of sorties, 128 in three days.

Every section worked under pressure and adverse circumstances, yet we functioned as the well trained unit we are.

There now remains little question, the 192d is ready.

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**Saturday UTA 8 AM EST**

HOT IDEAS ARE NEEDED!!

**Sunday UTA 8 AM DST**

- reduce costs
- conserve energy
- increase productivity

SUBMIT YOUR SUGGESTIONS

## Chaplin's Corner

Maj Xel Sant'Anna

What is the most important thing in your life? Money? Profession? Spouse? Children? It seems that every time we attempt to establish our priorities we see the material things taking the most important positions. In our society we struggle for all the "good things" as heavily advertised through the media: better homes, better car, better furniture, more modern appliances and all the extras we can get.

Jesus told us two parables related to this matter of priority. One is called the parable of the Rich Fool. He related happiness to riches. He thought that because he had amassed a goodly store of this world's goods, he was safe. But the end was near and he could not take it with him. There would not be a Brink truck following him on his way to the cemetery.

The second parable - the parable of the unjust steward, tells us of a clever rascal who made use of all his skill and ingenuity and of all his chances to make life as comfortable as possible for himself.

Both parables describe the continuous efforts to achieve financial security and the lessons are clearly as follows: 1. Our spiritual needs are much more important than any other need we may have, and, 2. If only we would make as much effort in our religious life as we do in our material life, what a difference that would make.

## Local Business & Educational Leaders To Visit NCO Air Guard Academy

The Virginia Air National Guard will sponsor a group of local community and business leaders to attend the 12th ANG Business and Industry Day at the I.G. Brown Professional Military Education Center (PMEC) at Alcoa, TN, 25-27 April 1979. The event coincides with the graduation of the current class attending the Noncommissioned Officer Academy.

The purpose of B&I Day is to enlighten those leaders attending of the opportunities available to their employees in leadership, management skill, patriotism and community involvement available at the PMEC and of the military mission of the ANG. All activities during B&I Day are organized and managed by the ANG NCO Academy Graduate Association, a group of NCO Academy graduates.

Take stock in America.  
Buy U.S. Savings Bonds.

## Safety

Cpt Robert Selfort

Now that the long cold winter is over, we are ready to get out and enjoy summer recreation. We will be seeing more boats on the highways and this along becomes an additional hazard to everyone. Boating accidents do not always happen on lakes or rivers. Therefore, you should remember a few of the following simple tips that may save yourself or a friend from being involved in an accident while towing a boat.

Remember--

- Your boat trailer is an important part of your boating equipment. It deserves and demands continual care and maintenance.

- Trailer hitches come in a variety of shapes and sizes depending on the type trailer you are using. Be sure to use the proper hitch. Also, do not forget the safety chain.

- Loading your trailer is important also. Insure that the boat weight is properly distributed. Too much weight on the hitch will cause tail dragging of the towing vehicle and will impair your steering.

- Extra caution is necessary when towing any trailer. The heavier the rig, the more time required to accelerate, pass and stop.

- Use caution in launching and retrieving the boat. Prepare boat for launching at the top of the ramp or parking facility. Do not forget the tie-down straps and check plugs. Never leave the towing vehicle on the ramp.

Guests attending will be:

Mr. Robert H. Crowder, Director of Personnel, Henrico County.

Dr. Dana B. Hamel, Chancellor, Virginia Community College System.

Mr. Walter J. Hawthorne, Proprietor, Hawthorne Dry Cleaners.

Dr. Leroy Hill, Supervisor of Guidance, Henrico County.

Mr. King Hodges, Supervisor of Training, Western Electric Corp.

Mr. James H. Johnson, Director of Forest Information and Education, Chesapeake Corp., West Point, VA.

Mr. William T. Robinson, Member Virginia State Highway Commission.

Colonel Leslie T. Sheppard, Chief of Police, Henrico County.

Escorts will be:

TSgt Raymond T. Fleischer, 192d CAMRON.

TSgt Russell G. Tilley, 192d CAMRON.

CMSgt Herbert L. Buttner, 192d TFG.

## Decade Ago



Retired Air Force SMSgt Columbus O. Minish recently received an Air Guard belt buckle from Col Claude F. Heath, Commander, 192d TFG, in recognition of his service to the Virginia Air National Guard. Also, TSgt Charlie Udriet, Lead Recruiter presented Mr. Minish with a complimentary coffee cup, designating him as an honorary recruiter for his outstanding support and service to the Air Guard. Mr. Minish stated, "I retired 10 years ago, but to receive this award late, is better than never." Currently, Mr. Minish works for the State of Virginia at the Air Guard Base with Civil Engineers.

## CHAPEL ACTIVITIES UTA SUNDAY

0815 - General Protestant Services  
1315 - Latter Days Saints (Mormons)  
1400 - Catholic Mass

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## COLONIAL CAPITAL HOSTS VIRGINIA NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The Holiday Inn 1776, Williamsburg, was the scene for some 400 state Guardsmen attending the 19th Annual Virginia National Guard Association Conference, March 24.

The business session, following an evening get acquainted reception, was highlighted with the remarks of Honorable John H. Dalton. In his speech, the Governor emphasized the role of the Guard in its promotion and support of State and National security, and also the importance of its relationship with the general public.



Major Evans

Among the officers elected for 1979-80 was Major Basil H. Evans, First Vice President. Also selected to represent the Virginia Air National Guard on the Executive Council were Major William Monahan, Lt Col Raymond Germain, and 2Lt Fred Baylor.

A formal reception and banquet followed the business session with announcement that next year's conference is scheduled for the Sheraton in Fredericksburg,

## Lt Turner Heads Disaster Preparedness

The possibility of conventional, nuclear, chemical, or biological attack exists. Natural disasters, civil disturbances and major accidents may occur with little or no warning. All must be aware of these situations, natural or man made, which would disrupt the normal operations of the Virginia Air National Guard, Byrd International Airport, and the surrounding community. It is the purpose of the 192d Tactical Fighter Group's Disaster Preparedness Unit to provide procedures that must be executed by the various organizations in the event such happenings occur on or near the base.



Disaster Preparedness (DP), located in the Base Civil Engineering Building, is headed by Lt Ray A. Turner, Jr. The NCOIC is SSgt Michael Woody. In addition, there exists a newly appointed DP Mobility Team whose purpose is to achieve a war readiness status so that it may function in a deployed environment in all phases of nuclear, biological and chemical disasters. Members are: Team Chief, TSgt Bob Clark; SSgt Tom Weatherford; SSgt Don Kessel; SSgt Rick Lewis; SSgt Ken Whitlock; and alternates SSgt Earska Ingram and SSgt Arthur Martin.

For more information, refer to 192TFGp OPLAN 355-1, Disaster Preparedness or contact the offices of Lt Turner and SSgt Woody.

### A Dying Habit

# SMOKING

If you smoke, you may be one of the thousands who will die of lung cancer this year.

When you smoke...your cigarette produces a mixture of particles and gases that irritate the breathing system and lead to its impairment. One of the gases, carbon monoxide, is a poison in high concentration. Nicotine is also an irritating tar that is a high-dose poison which affects the heart rate and blood pressure.

It has been proven that smoking is an important factor in death from heart disease. Heart disease causes one-third of all deaths in the United States and fatal heart attacks are much more common among smokers than non-smokers.

Your smoking also affects others who are forced to breathe polluted air. If you have children, you know they look up to you and imitate you.

To smoke or not to smoke is an important decision in your life! Why not face the facts:

- Smoking may well be our No. 1 public health enemy.
- It costs money, lives, pain.
- It is a factor in six times as many deaths as car accidents.
- About 95 percent of smoker's lungs show abnormal changes.
- Smoking is a dying habit!

## HELP DESTROY A FAMILY TRADITION.

In many families, children grow up learning child abuse as a way of life. For them, child abuse is a family tradition in which helpless parents inflict beatings, neglect, emotional strain, or sexual abuse on their helpless children. Child abusers can be helped. Find out how.



**PREVENT CHILD ABUSE. WRITE:**

National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse, Box 2866, Chicago, Ill. 60690.



**THE POWER OF SUGGESTION**

- ✓ PREVENT WASTE
- ✓ SAVE STEPS
- ✓ SAVE TIME
- ✓ IMPROVE QUALITY
- ✓ IMPROVE SERVICE
- ✓ SIMPLIFY METHODS
- ✓ REMOVE BOTTLE-NECKS
- ✓ REDUCE COSTS

**CASH IN ON YOUR IDEAS!**

## PROMOTIONS

Our congratulations go to the following personnel who were promoted to the grades indicated during the month of March.

### 192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

LTC GATHRIGHT, KENNETH E.  
 MSG MCKAY, BERNARD H.  
 MSG SEAMAN, DOUGLAS W.  
 MSG WOOD, GARY A.  
 SSG BATTEN, DENNIS A.  
 SSG CURTIS, ROBERT L.  
 SSG IRBY, JOYCE M.  
 SSG OWENS, MARVIN O.  
 SSG TAYLOR, SHIRLEY S.  
 SSG WACHSMUTH, KARL H.  
 AIC MIDGETT, PERNELL A.  
 AIC VEREEN, ANNA B.

### 149TH TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON

CPT WELCH, JAMES A.  
 TSG REED, WILLIAM H.

### 192D CAMRON

MSG DAVIS, WALTER D.  
 MSG HARRELL, WILLIAM P.  
 MSG SMITH, ALTON R.  
 MSG WOOD, OLIVER B., JR  
 TSG ADAMS, KENNETH F.  
 TSG CAMPBELL, ROY L.  
 TSG KESSEL, DONALD G.  
 TSG LANHAM, JAMES F., III  
 TSG PERRY, KENNETH J.  
 TSG RILEY, EDWARD R.  
 TSG SMITH, EDWARD T.  
 TSG WEST, JAMES M.  
 SSG BAILEY, RYLAND Y., JR  
 SSG BASL, EDWARD T., JR  
 SSG CLARK, DONALD G.  
 SSG FOEGE, JOHN T.  
 SSG HELMS, CLARENCE W.  
 SSG LUCAS, EDWARD JR  
 SSG MILES, LAWRENCE E.  
 SSG MURRAY, JAMES H.  
 SSG SAMUELS, BEVERLY B.  
 SSG SARGENT, VERONICA H.  
 SSG SOMMERVILLE, STEVEN L.  
 SSG TERRY, AURELIA B.  
 SSG WORSHAM, EDDIE M.  
 SRA BESS, CARL F.  
 SRA CARTER, CLAUDETTE  
 SRA CROCKETT, MICHAEL R.  
 SRA LAIR, JOHN R., JR  
 SRA MATTHEWS, STERLING E.  
 SRA WALLACE, CHARLES B.  
 SRA WHITEHEAD, PRINCESS R.  
 SRA WILLIAMS, CHARLES R.  
 AIC BROUGHTON, WILLIAM P., JR  
 AIC SCHURMAN, JAMES A.

### 192D WEAPONS SYSTEMS SECURITY FLT

SSG TYLER, BOBBY H.

### 192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT (SPT)

SSG BRACEY, JOHNEL  
 SSG MATTHEWS, ROBERT L.  
 AIC BUCKINGHAM, SHELIA

### 192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

MSG DESPER, CHARLES W.  
 MSG McDONALD, JOHN J., III  
 TSG GLENN, JOHN R.  
 SSG BAILEY, GOLDIE M.  
 SSG FRIEDMAN, JEAN F.  
 SSG HARRELL, CLARENCE A.  
 SSG NELSON, ELMER  
 SSG STOUGHTON, FRANCES M.  
 SRA CUNDIFF, DENNIS E.  
 SRA HUX, CHARLES S.  
 AIC JONES, LONNIE R.  
 AIC LEWIS, DEAN P.  
 AIC MCKINLEY, JO ANN  
 AIC TRAYLOR, DONNA L.

### 192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT

SSG GIPSON, DAVID L.  
 SSG STANLEY, STEPHEN D.  
 SRA ACORS, RUSSELL G., III  
 SRA LUDWIG, KURT A., JR  
 AIC DOANE, DAVID F.

## ENLISTMENTS

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

### 192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

SSG FRYE, GARLAND L. (1)

### 192D CAMRON

SSG BOLIN, GARY R. (1)  
 SSG MASON, TERRY L. (1)  
 SGT BECK, BARRY L. (1)  
 SGT BOETTGER, ROBERT L. (1)  
 SGT COOPER, DAVID R. (1)  
 SGT PRICE, ANTHONY C. (1)  
 AIC MATHIS, PATRICIA A. (1)  
 AIC MOORE, ARSENIA (1)  
 AIC SORRELL, CHARLES E. (1)  
 AB CASKIE, SCOTT M. (2)  
 AB GRIMES, MARIO W. (2)  
 AB PARKER, SHERIDA T. (2)  
 AB POINDEXTER, CHARLES T. (2)

### 192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

SGT JONES, LARRY T. (1)  
 AB GARLAND, CAROLYN T. (2)

### 192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT

SGT HARPER, MICHAEL A. (1)  
 SGT HOLMES, DAVID W. (1)

## Advisory Council

### SURVIVORS BENEFIT PLAN

The following article is extracted from the Air Force Association monthly magazine "Air Force" for your information.

"Thousands of Air Force Reservists and Guardsmen are signing up for the broadened Survivor Benefits Plan, for which they became eligible last October. That's the word from the Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver, which is handling the project.

Center spokesmen told AIR FORCE Magazine that as of late January, approximately 8,000--of the estimated 47,000--eligible Reservists (those with twenty-year retirement letters but who are not yet sixty) had signed up. More than half wanted immediate coverage.

Many of the other eligibles, the Center said, were waiting for actuarial cost data that the Defense Department and Congress had delayed getting out. Once this appears, the Center is to pass it along to all eligibles. Officials said they expect thousands more to sign up at that time.

There should be no problem because the deadline for joining the SBP's new program is September 30. Those who receive their twenty-year letters after June 30 will have ninety days to sign up. Already there have been some "deathbed cases" where claims were filed shortly after passage of the new law. Payment will begin when actuarial cost data becomes available, say officials.

The ARPC toll-free number for inquiries on the plan is (800) 525-1391.

The new measure provides annuities for Reserve/Guard widows whose husbands completed twenty years for Reserve/Guard retirement but who hadn't reached age sixty. Up to fifty-five percent of their retired pay can be continued to their beneficiaries."

In a recent conversation with ARPC representative Joycie Cooper it was stated that any individual with 20 or more years for retirement could submit a DD Form 1883 to ARPC for immediate coverage - if so desired - and when the actuarial cost data became available you would be allowed to make a change prior to 30 September 1979. If you need further information, feel free to call ARPC at the toll-free number. Think about it.

# UTA

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A small good deed is better than a big intention.

## PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The chart below is provided for you as a ready reference regarding promotion criteria in the Air National Guard. Be aware of your promotion requirements.

TIS - Time in Service  
TIG - Time in Grade

UV - Unit Vacancy  
SP - Special Promotion

| For Promotion To Grade | PAFSC                                 | Other Requirements |                |   |          |  |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|---|----------|--|
|                        |                                       | TIS                | TIG            |   |          |  |
| E-2                    | as indicated by the PAFSC             | 6                  | 6              | Mandatory Completion of Basic Military Training   |          |  |
| E-3                    |                                       | 12                 | 6              | Desirable: Completion of ECI Course 10  |          |  |
| SrA                    |                                       | 18                 | 6              | None  |          |  |
| E-4                    | grade spread specialty data AFM 39-1. | 30                 | 12             | Mandatory: Compl of Res ANG Leadership Sch-Phase I, AF Res Leadership Sch, or ECI Leadership Crse |          |  |
| E-5                    |                                       | UV<br>36<br>(3yrs) | SP<br>5<br>yrs | UV<br>12  | SP<br>12 | Desirable: Compl of an accredited in-residence AF/ANG NCO Academy. |
| E-6                    | 7-Skill Level                         | 60<br>(5yrs)       | 12<br>yrs      | 18  | 18       | Desirable: Compl of an accredited in-residence AF/ANG Academy.     |
| E-7                    |                                       | 108<br>(9yrs)      | 20<br>yrs      | 24  | 96       |  |



COMPROLLER SHOP PROMOTIONS...smiles were the order of the day as MSGT GARY WOOD and SSGT SHIRLEY TAYLOR receive their certificates of promotion from Capt Lawrence M. Fuccella. Both recipients work in the disbursement area of Accounting and Finance.

### ENLISTED ADVISORY COUNCIL

If you have suggestions or recommendations that can enhance the welfare of the 192d personnel, check with one of the members of the VaANG Enlisted Advisory Council.

Members are:

- MSgt Edward Southard, Chairman, 192d CAMRON.
- SSgt James Stanley, Vice-Chairman, 192d WSSF.
- TSgt Omer Pugh, Recorder, 192d CSS.
- Amn David Doane, 192d CE.
- AIC Thomas Ford, 192d CSS
- SSgt Elias Hall, 192d Comm Flt.
- TSgt Phil Haskins, 192d TFG.
- SSgt Vickie Norwood, State Hq.
- SSgt Pat Guerra, 192d Clinic
- AIC Rudolph Wadsworth, 149th TFS.
- CMSgt Herb Buttner, Manager.
- CMSgt Jack Sandford, Senior Enlisted Advisor.

### HELP WANTED

The Virginia Air National Guard has immediate openings for 24-month active duty tours under Title 32 USC, Section 503. Openings are as follows:

- E-2 thru E-5 - AFSC 702X0 - Administration - Vacancy No. 79-01.
- E-2 thru E-5 - AFSC 431X1 - Aircraft Mechanic - Vacancy No. 79-02.
- E-2 thru E-5 - AFSC 426X2 - Aircraft Engine Mechanic - Vacancy No. 79-03.

Those persons interested should submit a resume of civilian/military experience to The Adjutant General of Virginia, TAG Va/VAAG-AI, 401 E. Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219, NLT 30 April 1979. For additional information, contact Lt Col Raymond L. Germain at telephone 222-8884, ext. 331.

### MATERNITY UNIFORM NOW REQUIRED

Wear of the maternity uniform is mandatory effective 1 March 1979. Enlisted members who require the maternity uniform will receive it through the Customer Support Branch of Base Supply. Officers must purchase their own uniform. To substantiate the need for a maternity uniform an AF Form 422, Physical Profile Serial Report, must be completed by a physician or Certified Health Care Practitioner. Reference AFR 67-57 for further details. Uniform issue will consist of two tunics, plus skirt or slacks with expansion panel. Wear will be in accordance with AFR 35-10.



### CLINIC APPOINTS NEW ENLISTED ADVISOR

SSgt Pat Guerra has been appointed by the Commander, 192d Clinic as its new member to the Enlisted Advisory Council replacing SSgt Randy Sitzes. Pat came to the Virginia Air National Guard in March 1978 after serving 4 years in the Air Force. She resides in Norfolk and is a full time student of nursing at Old Dominion University. It is a pleasure to have SSgt Guerra on the Council and we do encourage members of the VaANG to contact Pat if they are in need of the services furnished by the Council.





Silhouetted against a gray Georgia sky, 16 F-105 "Thuds" of the 192d TFG demonstrate a precision fly-by culminating a highly successful ORI. Prints are available for unit members from MSgt Robert A. Flournoy, Photo Lab.

**Save That Can**

**National Guard To Aid Dystrophy Drive**

"Save that can for Jerry's kids." That is the slogan for the current Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Association Fund Drive. The Virginia National Guard is playing a vital part of this drive, therefore, we need the support of every member. Save those cans and deposit them in the barrels provided in the break areas of the following buildings: O&T, Supply, Operations, Motor Ve-



hicle, Civil Engineering, Avionics, and two on the main floor and two on the balcony of the Hangar. Each pound of aluminum deposited is worth \$.20. All cans will be recycled by Reynolds Metal Co. and the Virginia National Guard will receive credit for it in the drive. Do your part. Save that can and have your family, friends and neighbors do the same. Don't let the kids down.

**\*\*\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*\*\***

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE RECEIVED "ELIGIBILITY FOR RETIREMENT" LETTERS FROM ARPC.

Actuarial tables for the Reserve Components Survivor Benefit Plan (RC-SBP) has been received by CBPO. You are reminded that individuals who received SBP packets in December 1978, January 1979, have until 30 Sep 79 to file SBP preference with ARPC. For actual percentage, you may inquire in CBPO.

In order to compute your cost and annuity, you must know your approximate number of points and retired pay.

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**Getting Along on the Job**

If it were possible, most of us would like to get along with everyone. Disagreements and situations where the people involved are made to feel uncomfortable are always unpleasant. Apologies are fine, as far as they go, but we'd all be better off if we could prevent these unfortunate situations.

Since a third of our day, nearly half our waking hours, is spent on the job, it's important how we get along with our fellow employees.

When we can't get along, our work itself suffers. It's impossible to approach even the most routine parts of our job in a proper frame of mind when upset. Friction always carries an aftermath and often results in mistakes or even accidents.

For our own peace of mind, as well as for the sake of our career, we need to spend our on-the-job hours working in harmony with those around us, so it's sometimes necessary to subordinate our own feelings by catering to the emotions or needs of others. In other words, learn to give a little and be tolerant and when things don't go our way.

**The challenge to be all that you can.**

Learn a valuable career skill. One that will give you a big edge in today's tight job market. Start with the basics and work your way up. The sky's the limit. Join the Air National Guard. Call us now!

The most important part-time job in America.



Nothing is quite so annoying as to have someone go right on talking when you're interrupting.

Moscow in 80

**192D Recruiters Back Olympic Fund Drive**

Winning is an American tradition. And there is no better testimony to this than the achievements of the many fine American athletes who are able to represent our country at the Olympic games through the generous help of individual citizens.

The 192TFG Olympic Fund Raising Committee is headed by Recruiter SSgt Benson B. Gardner, II. Gardner said he plans to run a six month program within the Unit with a goal of \$1,000 raised by drill weekend raffles and by placement of a "BE A WINNER" contributions jug in the mess hall. He also noted that the 192TFG is the first Unit active or reserve to back the 1980 Olympics.



"It is my intention to thoroughly document this program, because if this program is successful as I expect it to be, the Olympic Committee will have a large source of potential assistance throughout the United States Air National Guard system," Gardner said.

BUS TRIPS to the Washington Redskins, Baltimore Orioles, Baltimore Colts, N. Y. Yankees and other sporting events. Package tours - call Gary Wood 746-8383.

Ads of no more than 20 words to be submitted to VANGUARD NLT 3 weeks before UTA. Home phone numbers only.

**You've got to be good to get in. But you'll be one of the best.**

**CAMRON Tops The List**

His voice surging with pride and admiration, Lt Col Raymond L. Germain related, "All of my people reacted with professionalism and urgency to their assigned tasks throughout the simulated but realistic combat situation."

It is evident that their "boss's" trust and admiration was justified. Working under adverse conditions and for long hours, the various sections comprising maintenance operated smoothly and competently in an atmosphere of total commitment which resulted in appropriate recognition. CAMRON was rated OUTSTANDING!

From checking wear on tires to the arming of aircraft, the men of CAMRON kept the 18 F-105s deployed to Savannah flying. Some of the comments of the inspectors included: "...planning and preparation for deployment was exceptional; ... effective supervision and control of all maintenance activities provided mission capable aircraft on time for 96% of tasked sorties; ... safe and efficient fueling operations; all aircraft servicing; thru-flight inspections and munitions loading were exceptionally coordinated; ...professional; ... exceptional: and on and on.

As evidence of their outstanding support, only two sorties of the 130 called for were cancelled for maintenance related problems.

During the three day exercise approximately 532 bombs and about 10,000 rounds of 20mm ammunition were loaded aboard the "Thuds", and all systems were checked between sorties, with any malfunctions being repaired, Lt Col Germain said. He also revealed that his personnel refused to leave their duty stations when under the extreme effects of the virus-like symptoms. For the well-being of his troops, the Commander had the Medics set up an aid station in the CAMRON Orderly Room.

Ladies and gentlemen of CAMRON, WE SALUTE YOU!



**Motor Pool 'POOLS'**

"Everything went so smoothly; it couldn't have been better" were the comments of MSgt Richard E. Godsey, a supervisor and full time technician with the Motor Pool.

Pooling their personnel with both the Fire Department and POL, the Vehicle Maintenance and Dispatcher/Operator sections continued to complete their normal duties not ORI oriented. The greater part of their job of course was with the inspection. The Vehicle Maintenance section was on duty approximately 14 hours per day keeping the emergency vehicles and fuel operation vehicles in proper repair as well as keeping a mobile alert crew on duty with the Air Ground Equipment (AGE) right on the flight line so as to avoid any delays in service.

Sgt Godsey used words such as pride and professionalism when he spoke of his unit, claiming, "We worked as a team to accomplish the mission."





**Rigger's Rigor**

Shortly after the completion of our recent ORI, I stood watching a flight of our "Thunderbirds" coming in for a landing. It was not until I saw the billowing nylon fluttering behind that I began to ponder who might be responsible for the maintenance and packing of so necessary an item.

Looking behind me I noticed the familiar sight of the drying tower. Being my normally nosey self, I proceeded, half dragging my photographer behind me, into the confines of that building. To my amazement, the flurry of excitement centered around two extremely long but narrow tables. Men were struggling with the lengthy lines, canopies and packs of the "drag chutes", twisting and straightening each and every shroud and panel. They then painstakingly and tediously secured it into its container ready for the next time it would be deployed.

While observing the operation being repeated over and over, I was able to occasionally catch the attention of TSgt Robert K. Cash, Parachute Shop, NCOIC, who between assisting and supervising his men explained to me the "what's and why's" of their task.

Wondering just how much work might be done by a small section like this during the ORI, I asked. To my astonishment the Sgt revealed that his 8 men, all trained by him, labored 14 to 15 hours a day during the exercise repairing, replacing and sometimes manufacturing parts for as well as packing 174 drag chutes!

It is no wonder Sgt Cash spoke with pride for his people who endeavored under a tremendous pressure and met the challenge. They not only got the job done but did it with a spirit of professionalism.

**Clinic Operations**

"Normally we feel that around 120 on sick call is about the average for field training, but we've already gone over the 200 mark this year," observed MSgt Tim Sager, NCOIC of the Clinic.

Usually there is a need to treat cuts, sprains and strains, but this year the "food born infection", as it is officially classified, contributed over 100 sick calls to the usual spate of maladies. According to Sager, there is always 24-hour service at the clinic, but the high number of illnesses taxed the eleven member clinic staff. Some of the staff were actually on duty around the clock in the early days



of Annual Field Training due to sick guardsmen.

Several hospital admissions were necessary due to the infection, and clinic personnel even had to resort to IVs in some cases. Under the watchful eye of LtCol Carl Ault, on "loan" to us from the 181st TFG, Indiana ANG, medical care was provided under all circumstances with complete professionalism.

As MSgt Sager said, "Our people were just great." We agree!

**A Note Of Thanks**

Supporting the 192d TFG during Annual Field Training for the second year in succession with observations and forecasts were the men of the 101st Weather Flight, Massachusetts Air National Guard.

Without their professional assistance the flying mission of the ORI might have been very difficult. From briefing pilots and maintaining a weather watch to decoding, plotting and dissemination of weather conditions the men of the tight knit little unit fermently endeavored to answer every question with an appropriate response.



**Intelligent Intelligence**

It resembled the "War Room" frequently depicted in a Hollywood extravaganza, but the urgency and intensity was real. There was no second "take."

Beginning long before the duty day's official 0600, personnel in the Intelligence Section drew on their experience and training to develop the responses to a very cunning enemy. Working into the night Lt Col George Davis and his personnel met every contingency that the enemy could contrive.

There was nothing easy about the task, but dealing with enemy ground and air action as well as the weather put our Intelligence Section to the test. Recognizing the importance of subtle changes in the enemy's positions, utilizing friendly forces and tying it all together is what it all boiled down to.

In the final analysis, effective use of intelligence enabled our flying operations to maximize its capabilities, turn the tide and win the conflict.

Since this was only the second time that a unit won outright during the ORI war scenario, the only conclusion that can be drawn is that there was intelligent use of intelligence.

The Virginia Air National Guard appreciates each and every member of that team which include Captains Ed Powers and Paul Tattleman, Forecasters and Observers TSG Frank Medoeros, SSG Philip McClung and SGT Geoffrey Morton as well as MSG George Rockwood their MAC Advisor.

It was learned that this will be the last year the 192d TFG will receive the valuable support of the 101st. Therefore, many thanks for a job well done and best wishes with your new mission of supporting Army Reserve Units.



*Security Blanket*

If security breaks down, there is no way to win the war, it's that simple.

Regardless of how effective our flying operation is or how accurate our intelligence is, unless security is maintained at the base of operations the planes may never get off the ground and establish air superiority.

Capt Bill Schwartz and his Security Police were rock-ribbed and steel fisted when it came down to protection of priority resources and personnel. Dealing with guerrilla forces that tried every diabolical scheme to break the 192d Security net, the Security Policemen were devastatingly aggressive in ferreting out subversives. There was no kink in the security armor. If there is any doubt, then ask the inspectors who found themselves "observing" the exercise while "spread-eagled" on the flight line. Or ask the inspector who was "rudely" refused admittance to the Command Post because of forgetting to bring the necessary 1199.

The inspectors obviously agreed by rating Security "Excellent."



Thanks for your support during the ORI.

*Carper W. Hutchison*  
 CARPER W. HUTCHISON, NCOIC Security Police

**RED TRUCK RIDERS**

"It seemed like every time we completed one exercise we had another one to begin and at times there were two or three in progress simultaneously" said SMSgt Clyde M. Reese, NCOIC of the 192d Fire Department.

Aside from a normal 15 hour work day beginning by 5 A.M., the fire fighters remained on 24 hour call throughout the inspection period. Not even taking time off to go to the mess hall they ate boxed lunches three times a day, usually cold when they finally had the time to eat. "We were really taxed to the limit with 11 of our 14 exercises being held in about an 8 hour time frame," said the Sgt. It was also learned that during all flying periods a fully manned crash truck was on alert duty on the runway so as to diminish delay in responding to any in-flight emergency.

Aside from what was termed "normal", to include structural fires, pilot extractions from disabled aircraft, etc., fire crews assisted in the evacuation of numerous facilities due to simulated bomb threats, some even under simulated gunfire.

Sgt Reese expressed his pride and respect for the men of his unit, particularly pointing out their professionalism in handling the urgency and realism of each assignment. He also noted that even when several of his men were badly affected by the "local malady" they refused his urging to take time off.

Not having the entire Civil Engineer Flight (to whom they were assigned) at the ORI, the Fire Department was not officially rated but Sgt Reese stated that the inspectors told him that if they had been scored they would have been rated "Excellent."

Sgt Reese emphasized what he termed the "super support" his section received from both Food Services and Vehicle Maintenance, without which they could have been even more pressed.



*Food Services Keep Serving*

Before you entered the mess hall at 0500 the smell of bacon intensified the anticipation of something good to eat. By the time the last meal was served in the evening, many food services personnel had already been going for over 14 hours, and the day wasn't over for some personnel until after 1900 hours!

Not content to merely cook and serve meals, SMSgt Joe Germain and his crew prepared meals "to go" for various personnel who would have otherwise been unable to get to the chow hall. In addition to the normal load, preparing an average of 170 take out meals was a monumental undertaking. Sgt Germain, in his usual low key manner said, "We just did our job."

The smiles and willingness of the food service personnel to do a little "something extra" made the long days a little easier. One Sergeant behind the steam table said, "I'd rather be in the Air Guard than the Army Guard. I dropped two grades to get in and it was worth it!" This is the kind of pride and spirit that makes the 192d great!



**Unsung Hero**

For a while it seemed as though those without private transportation would be without any means of leaving the confines of Travis Field. Forlorn and grumpy were those in that situation who looked forward to a two week imprisonment.

At this point a hero sprang to the rescue. Sgt Maurice Mason, a dispatcher/operator with the Motor Pool volunteered to drive a bus to and from Hunter Army Air Station and Oglethorpe Mall.

The Sgt, a "born again christian" is truly one of those unsung heroes who practices what he preaches.

## Two Guardsmen Aid Victim At Crash Site



Two Virginia Air National Guardsmen, while on Annual Field Training in Savannah, GA, administered immediate first aid to the 18 year old victim of an automobile-motorcycle crash.

The accident, which occurred on Georgia Interstate Highway 16, resulted when the Florida youth's motorcycle slammed into the rear of an auto late one afternoon.

SSgt J. L. Dobbins and SSgt T. A. Morris, members of the 192d Weapons System Security Flight of the 192d Tactical Fighter Group, were off duty but arrived at the scene shortly after the incident. The youth suffered massive head injuries and may have died at the scene had the Guardsmen not been able to apply emergency treatment.

Dobbins is a Virginia State Trooper and Morris is a Henrico County Police Officer in their civilian employment. Both men have had first aid training and experience in its use, stayed with the youth until a local rescue squad arrived.

At the hospital where the victim was taken emergency surgery was performed, but the injuries were so severe that the young man died later that night.

Both Dobbins and Morris stated they personally had been involved in motorcycle accidents in the past.



### Supply Meets The Challenge

During the entire ORI, even under adversities, Supply functioned efficiently and professionally.

Some of Lt Col Gathright's evaluations were: "I'm well pleased with my people. They did one heck of a job. Everything went smoothly. They put in a lot of hours."

Men and women of Supply can be justly proud of their professionalism and commitment to duty.

Even before departing Byrd Field for Savannah, the Supply Section of the 192d CSS was on the job. "In the absence of a transportation squadron," said Lt Col Kenneth E. Gathright, Supply Commander, "our Section operated transportation control, a task to which many of our personnel were assigned."

Throughout the Travis portion of the inspections, Supply not only provided direct support with their War Readiness Spare Kit (WRSK) and POL (fuels) Sections, but also managed to develop and maintain normal Supply operations. Sections of the unit began their day as early as 0400 and labored as late as 2200.

Not only having to contend with the realism and urgency of Supply problems in a simulated wartime situation, the section was also adversely affected by a virus-like intestinal problem to which they thumbed their noses and refused time off. The situation finally got so bad that Lt Col Gathright had portable latrines placed on the flightline for health and comfort of his men.



### Additional Accolades

Many other supporting functions contributed significantly although perhaps less noticeably to the success of the ORI.

On a daily basis, Chaplain Xel Sant'Anna contributed an appropriate thought and prayer which appeared in the Bulletin. His quick smile was observed everywhere as he made his way into various sections spreading his enthusiasm and warmth.

All the typing and administrative support that had to be provided was always there. Few people were aware of the early morning clatter of typewriters as the Daily Bulletin was cranked out with schedule changes and other information necessary to help keep things rolling in an orderly fashion.

The Training Office provided films on various military subjects for viewing by personnel. The Social Actions office worked on new programs to be used in future training. The Legal Office provided a variety of services and counseling.

Everyone was involved. Everyone was needed and everyone came through!

Sierra Hotel!

### PIX TRICKS

Like the old saying about the cobbler's children having no shoes, there are never any pictures depicting the positive job done by the men with the negatives.

MSgt Bobby Flournoy and his personnel processed enough film for a feature length movie. Operating with a field lab and personnel who were affected by the "infection" that hit so many personnel, the photo lab turned out the reels of film necessary for the flight crews to evaluate their job.

We'll never see any of the films, but to be sure the flight crews will attest to the phenomenal performance by the photo lab personnel. Extra hours meant nothing to Sgt Flournoy's crew; the duty day lasted as long as it took to do the job, and they did it well.

Col Heath received the following telephone message from Lt Gen Braswell on April 11, 1979: "Congratulations on the first TFG being rated "excellent" under the new ORI criteria. Well Done!"

### Pride In Triumph

During the outbriefing by the ORI team, Colonel Claude F. Heath, Group Commander of the 192d, made some closing remarks that obviously came from the heart of a man who respects his personnel. Colonel Heath, after expressing his pride in the unit being rated "Excellent", said that he had made his own evaluation of the 192d. With that comment, a transparency was shown on the overhead projector. The image on the screen was a large blue disc above which appeared the following, "192d TFG Commander's Estimate of Unit's Combat Capability". Underneath the blue disc was one word, "Outstanding".