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### BX Privileges Open To Reservists' Dependents

DALLAS (AFNS) -- Dependents of Reservists participating in regularly scheduled inactive-duty training have been authorized by the House Armed Services Committee to use their sponsors' privileges, including one day of exchange shopping for each day of inactive-duty training in pay status.

Army and Air Force Exchange Service officials say dependents must present the sponsor's leave and earning statement and must possess a driver's license or other credentials which verify the dependent relationship.

Dependents who special order merchandise, purchase on layaway or leave merchandise for repair will be permitted to complete the transaction on another day without having that day charged against the days they are entitled to shop, say AAFES officials.

(Nov 81 AF News Service rewrite.)

### \$ Drill Check Notes \$

Drill checks for the December UTA's will be received on 18 December to provide payment prior to the holidays. There will be no deposits to financial institutions from this payroll. All members on Sure Pay will have this check mailed to their designated mailing address.

### SGLI Coverage To Increase This Month

Maximum Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) coverage will increase from \$20,000 to \$35,000 effective 1 December 1981 per public law 97-66 signed 17 October 1981. Members will be automatically covered for maximum coverage. Those who previously elected reduced or no coverage will also be automatically covered for \$35,000 unless you contact your CBPO this UTA.

Deductions from your drill check for maximum coverage will increase from \$3.00 to \$5.25.



The 192TFG Gunnery Team included: (Center) Cpt Harold Yearly, (1st Row L to R) MSG "Sonny" Stamper, MSG "Gomer" Davis, TSG "Mouse" Madison, TSG Don Kessel, (2nd Row L to R)

TSG Rudy Mangrum, TSG Al Rountree, TSG Willie Wilcox, (3rd Row L to R) Cpt Bill Martin, Cpt Don Everett, 1Lt Garry Drummond and Maj Roger Legg.

## 192D Shines In Gunnery Meet, Outduels Experienced Units

On 14 November 1981 the Virginia Air National Guard again displayed its continuing excellent reputation by capturing a fourth place win of nine participating teams in the 1981 National Invitational A-7 Gunnery Competition. And with this victory the unit established itself in the Corsair II community within two months of its very first A-7 flight. The nine A-7 units from around the country who participated in the competition included Ohio units Rickenbacker, Springfield and Toledo; Iowa units Sioux City and Des Moines; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Selfridge, Michigan; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Richmond, Virginia. Two different Indiana air-to-ground ranges, Atterbury and Jefferson, were used. Each unit flew one mission of four aircraft to each range. Six BDU-33 practice bombs and 125 rounds of 20MM were expended by each aircraft on each mission.

The 192TFG deployed its four aircraft (and only four available) and aircrews to Rickenbacker ANG Base, Ohio on 12 Nov 81. Nine maintenance personnel drove to Ohio to be in place for recovery of Virginia's finest. One practice mission was flown to each unfamiliar range on 13 Nov 81. The next day one mission was flown to each range in head-to-head competition against the veteran units. All aircraft returned non-stop with no air re-

fueling to Richmond after the second mission. Twenty sorties were scheduled and flown in the deployment.

After the smoke had cleared from the target, Virginia had claimed enough points for a solid fourth place victory with only Rickenbacker, Des Moines and Sioux City topping the newest addition to the A-7 force.

Led by Red Dog Leader, Maj Roger Legg, #2 1Lt Garry Drummond, #3 Cpt Don Everett and #4 Cpt Bill Martin, Maintenance Supervisor, Cpt Harold Yearly, Crewchiefs MSG Walter "Gomer" Davis, MSG Ronald "Sonny" Stamper, TSG Don Kessel, TSG Joseph "Mouse" Madison and Weapons Specialists TSG Rudy Mangrum, TSG Al Rountree and TSG William Wilcox, the Richmond team has literally put the 192TFG and its new aircraft on the map early in the conversion.

But, as Maj Legg indicates, "This is a Unit victory. The A-7 is not just pilot oriented, it takes many different shops to put the bomb on target. All members of the 192TFG can be proud of its showing against units that have had the A-7 aircraft for nearly seven years."

The 192TFG has put its best foot forward. Its pride and performance is receiving national recognition. With this gunnery and maintenance victory come a chance for all of us to share in this monumental accomplishment.



**UTA SUNDAY  
CHAPEL ACTIVITIES**

Sunday 0830 - General Protestant  
1300 - Mormon  
1300 - Catholic Mass



By MAJ XEL SANT'ANNA

The time has come again when Christians will have the privilege to make their Journey to Bethlehem to welcome the birth of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Advent, the four weeks before Christmas, gives the time we need to prepare ourselves and to grow into the joy of Christmas. In this preparation, Advent provides families with opportunities to come closer together in their celebration of God's gift to the world. This is the time for new planning, new attitudes and new inspiration for Christian families. There are many ways a family could celebrate Advent. The following are a few suggestions for our families to prepare for and celebrate Christmas.

**\*\*Develop a family liturgy and use it daily.** Daily family worship may be the most meaningful activity for your family throughout the whole year.

**\*\*Sharing with others -** This has been a most appropriate time to renew old friendships and develop new

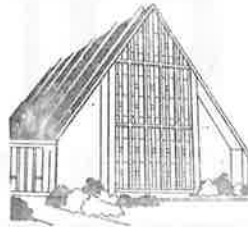
**Menus**

LUNCH  
5 DECEMBER 1981

BAKED HAM	RASIN SAUCE
CANDID SWEET	BUTTERED
POTATOES	CORN
****SALAD BAR****	
ASSORTED DRESSINGS	
BREAD	BUTTER
WHITE CAKE/CHOC ICING	
COLD DRINK	COFFEE COLD MILK
****	

LUNCH  
6 DECEMBER 1981  
PEPPER STEAK

BUTTERED	BUTTERED
RICE	GREEN PEAS
****SALAD BAR****	
ASSORTED DRESSINGS	
HOT ROLLS	BUTTER
STRAWBERRY JELLO	
COLD DRINK	COFFEE COLD MILK



Your Chaplain is available to you and your family 24 hours a day. Do not hesitate to call him if you think he can help or assist you in any way. His telephone numbers are: "A"-389, "C"-66, or 737-0635 (Home) and 737-1527 (Church).

ones. Share the happenings within your family with friends near and far. Approach some neighbors or colleagues and attempt to establish better relationship with them. Share some time together.

**\*\*Reach out to help others.** The number of persons that are less fortunate than we are is very large. Let us reach out with friendship and caring love to another person.

These are easy and simple suggestions, but they will enrich your celebrations and your life. They will make your Christmas the happiest.



**Wendell W. Kelley**

**Unit Pilot Lost  
In NASA Crash**

On Thursday, 19 November 1981, the 192TFG lost a friend and a fine pilot. Wendell W. Kelley, a member of the 149th Tactical Fighter Squadron, was killed in the crash of an experimental aircraft while working in his full time job with the NASA Research Center at Hampton, Virginia.

Wendell joined the VaANG in November 1977. He had formerly flown the F100 and F105 for the District of Columbia ANG. Carrying the label "new guy" after his arrival in the unit, he soon proved he was not new to flying fighter aircraft. Wendell Kelley was a professional fighter pilot. He was an instructor with the 149th and also administered annual flight evaluations for his fellow pilots, not bad for a "new guy". His rapid move up the "top gun" ladder was further testimony to his ability. He had just returned from Tucson, Arizona where he completed his check out in the A7. As a test pilot for NASA, Wendell was checked out in the F106, Boeing 737 and occasionally flew a helicopter.

Wendell will be missed as a pilot, but he will be missed mostly as a friend. It was a pleasure to fly with him, but more so to know him. To his wife Susan and three children Steven, Bradley and Kristina, we express our sympathy. Wendell was one of the best.



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Christmas

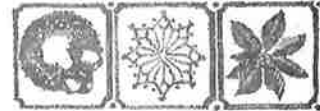
Happy  
New Year



## From The Commander



To the members of the 192 TFG, I wish to say thank you for your spirited performance during the past year. My personal wishes for a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year go to each of you.



## Awareness of Small Appliances Important in

# Cutting Home Energy Costs

Have you ever lived in an older home where, when you plugged in the coffee pot, the toaster, the can opener, and the blender all at the same time, a fuse blew?

Such an experience points up the wealth of miscellaneous electrical appliances found in most American homes today, especially with the advent of the latest wave of "gadgets" designed to do one contemporary chore—like cook only hot dogs or tacos, whip up a batch of yogurt, cook perfect crepes, or pop corn. The supply is endless.

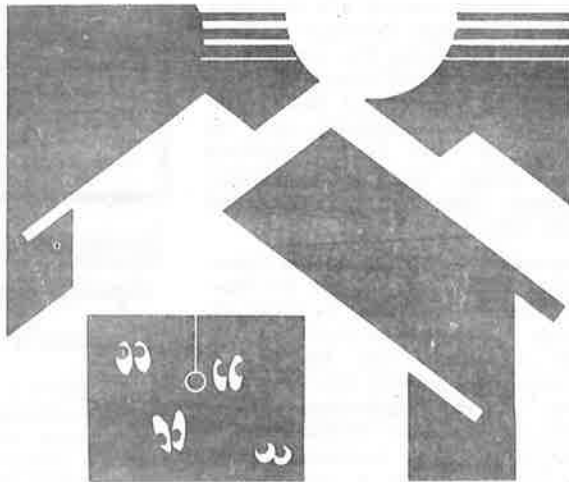
This wealth of electrical convenience appliances can magnify energy requirements and double home electric bills.

Here are some suggestions for getting good service out of these appliances without running your electric bill out of sight.

### Dishwashers

- Use your dishwasher only when fully loaded. Try to turn it on during off-peak time. Call your utility company to find out what the peak load period is in your area. Electricity used during peak time costs more than that used during hours when demand on power is less.

- If you are considering buying a dishwasher, look for a model with air-power and/or overnight dry settings. These features automatically turn off the dishwasher after the



rinse cycle. This can save up to 10 percent of your total dishwashing energy costs.

- Save energy by letting dishes air dry. If your dishwasher does not have an automatic air-dry switch, turn off the control knob after the final rinse. Open the door a little to let the dishes dry faster.

- Don't waste hot water in your dishwasher. The average dishwasher uses 14 gallons of hot water per load. To use it economically, be sure the dishwasher is full, but not overloaded, when you turn it on.

### Miscellaneous Appliances

- Use vent fans in your

kitchen (or bathroom) only as needed. A fan running needlessly wastes electricity.

- If you install an aerator on the faucet in your kitchen sink, you'll reduce the amount of water in the flow and save on both water and, when you turn on the hot water tap, the energy required for heating water.

- Turn on the cold—not hot—water when you operate the garbage disposal. This conserves energy used for heating water and avoids the excessive heat that can build up when very hot water is run on the fast-moving blades. Another advantage is that grease solidifies in cold water

and can be ground up and flushed away more easily.

- Make sure the pilot light on your gas stove is adjusted properly. It could be using more fuel than necessary. The flame should be blue. A yellowish flame indicates adjustment is needed.

- With small appliances that cook through metal surfaces that get very hot, unplug the appliance a few minutes before the end of the required cooking period. The cooking surface will stay hot, and your food will finish cooking without using any more electricity.

- Unplug electric coffee pots, soup kettles, and other appliances designed to keep food hot for hours. Liquids in these appliances simmer down and may become too strong to use by the time you or a family member return hours later for more coffee or a snack. Unplugging them saves the food and conserves electricity.

- Use electric irons on the coolest effective temperature. Too hot temperatures can ruin a costly item of clothing in addition to running up the electric bill.

- Consider fluorescent lighting for the kitchen sink and countertop areas. Set under kitchen cabinets or oven countertops, these lights are pleasant and energy efficient.

Happy Holidays

## PROMOTIONS



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

### 192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

MAJ GOSSETT, DAVID E.  
SSG WALKER, WILLIAM B.  
SRA SNEAD, DOROTHY L.

### 192D CAMRON

TSG GREGORY, CARL F.  
TSG NICHOLSON, CLAUDIS A.  
SRA ROBERTSON, JEFFERY M.  
SRA WRIGHT, JAMITA M.  
A1C HENSLEY, THOMAS D.  
A1C MAYBUSH, RONALD E.

### 192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

TSG PRICE, ROBERT W. JR  
TSG SUMMERSET, REGINALD J.

### 192D RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SQUADRON

TSG WILSON, FORREST JR

### 192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT

TSG SWAIN, GARY F.

### 192D WEAPONS SYSTEM SECURITY FLIGHT

SSG GARLICK, KENNETH H.  
SSG HINTON, REGINALD

## ENLISTMENTS

The following personnel were enlisted into the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of November.

### 192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT

TSG MALLORY, ROBERT D.

### 192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

SSG REESE, KARLA L.

### 192D CAMRON

SGT ANDERSON, JEFFERY H.  
MSG CARVER, WARREN R.

### 192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

2LT WOOD, GARY A.

MSGt Gary A. Wood was commissioned 2d Lieutenant, 192d Tac Ftr Gp.

**UTA  
5-6 DEC**

## Perseverance Realizes A Dream Come True

By 2LT GARY A. WOOD

It all started back on 11 March 1969 when I enlisted in the VaANG as an airman basic. My dream was to get a commission and become an officer in the VaANG.

In May 1980, after many years of night school, I finally graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a BS in business, and things began to happen. By January 1981 I had been selected for a Social Actions officer position. In September 1981 I received my school dates for the Academy of Military Science (AMS), where upon graduation I would receive my commission.



Gary A. Wood is having his 2Lt bars pinned on by Cpt Lawrence M. Fucella upon receiving his commission at the Academy of Military Science in Knoxville. Lt Wood, who ranked among the top graduates, will be assigned to the Social Actions office after completing Equal Employment Opportunity school at Patrick AFB.

I reported to AMS at McGhee Tyson ANG Base, Knoxville, TN on 20 September 1981 to begin my 6 weeks of training. During the first week I thought my dream had become a nightmare. The course was so demanding it was beginning to take its toll on the old body. But I soon adjusted and learned to live on 4 - 5 hours sleep a night and marched on, knowing my dream was in sight.

The school is operated in a very professional manner and is staffed by ANG personnel. Academically the curriculum consisted of courses in professional development, leadership, communicative skills and ANG history. I was required to give two speeches, write two papers, and take two tests which comprised 80% of my grade.

Then there was the Drill Performance Rating (DPR) which comprised 15% of my total grade. To prepare for this I spent many, many hours

drilling and marching, and when the big day came I was ready.

The final 5% of my grade was the timed run. Here I was required to run 1½ miles in twelve minutes or less. The faster you run it, the higher the grade you receive. I had trained for this and was more than ready.

We participated in many other activities also. There was a class social dinner, a dining-in, a field trip to the Air Force Museum at Wright Patterson AFB, and a community involvement project. We played lots of volleyball and flickerball (a story in itself) and took a memorable trip through an unusual obstacle course.

I developed the kind of friendships and memories that will be with me forever. When graduation day rolled around, believe it or not, I had accumulated enough points to graduate, and my long lasting dream had finally become a reality. Now if I can only get used to being called a butter bar.

## ATTENTION!

The Enlisted Advisory Council is seeking members interested in forming a drum and bugle corp to represent the unit in parades and similar activities. Contact MSG Connie Hughes (340) or TSG Jim Hague (349) for further details.

### Senior Enlisted Advisor

### *Equity Amendment Lifts*

### *Enlisted's Per Diem*

Effective 1 November, all enlisted ANG members who perform TDY (except Basic Military Training and Annual Field Training) in a per diem status will receive \$12.80 per diem when a government mess is available whether it is utilized or not. However, when a government dining is used, the enlisted will now have to pay for meals at an average of \$3.10/meal or \$9.30 for three.

In addition, basic allowance for subsistence (BAS) at the rate of \$4.50 will no longer be deducted from the travel voucher as in the past.

Therefore, the enlisted member will have \$17.30 to subsist when a government mess is available regardless whether it is used or not.

## Safety Safety Includes Supervisor Involvement

By MSG GENE MEEK

An effective accident prevention program, like any other part of a supervisors job, requires constant attention. It is imperative for all supervisors to hold those reporting to them accountable for their performance of other duties. Injuries can be reduced by enforcing safety rules and promoting safe work habits. Too often violations of basic safety rules are overlooked or simply ignored by people in a position to make on-the-spot corrections. There's not a single one of us who hasn't observed some infraction of procedures, rules, regulations, or safety, but for some reason or another, chose not to correct it - not thinking that we might be contributing to an attitude that could lead to more serious infractions or injuries. If supervisors do not challenge the subordinates ignoring safeguards and cautionary procedures, they will accept this indifference as consent; therefore, supervisors must be held accountable for enforcing safety rules as well as the following elements of safety:

**\*\*Safety talks.** Often good safety programs exist at the top, but do not filter down to the worker. Supervisors must ensure subordinates are well informed through regular safety briefings and safety orientations.

**\*\*Self-inspection of work area.** This should include observation of work performance as well as conditions of housekeeping, facilities, and equipment. Document unsafe conditions and initiate action to correct any deficiencies.

Remember - Your operation is only as good as it is safe and you are the influence that promotes a safe working environment.

## Wear Of The Uniform

The following uniform changes are effective as indicated. Information was extracted from TWX from Hq, USAF/MP, Washington, DC, dated 7 October 1981.

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1. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY: Wear of the lightweight blue jacket as an outergarment to luncheons, meetings, symposiums, conferences, conventions, and off-base business establishments (if the intent is to do extended shopping, dining, socializing, or to take part in entertainment) is prohibited.
2. EFFECTIVE 1 NOVEMBER 1981: All

## Student Loan Program is Changed

Members of the Air National Guard are eligible for Arnold and Brown student loan programs thru the Air Force Aid Society. On 13 August 1981, these programs were modified by new legislation.

The most significant change is in the effect of family income on eligibility after 1 October 1981. If the student's family's adjusted gross income is \$30,000 or less, he or she is eligible. Adjusted gross income includes parent's income if the student is a dependent, both the student's and the spouse's incomes if the student is married, Social Security and Veteran's student benefits.

If the adjusted gross income is more than \$30,000, the student's family is expected to contribute to payment of educational costs. The student may still qualify for loans to cover "unmet need". The school will calculate the "expected family contribution" according to Secretary of Education procedures (which can be vetoed by Congress).

The borrowing student is required to pay a one-time origination fee of 5% of the amount borrowed. The fee is deducted from the amount borrowed at time of disbursement.

The "independent student" category has been eliminated. All undergraduate students can get up to \$2500 per year to a cumulative maximum of \$12,500. Graduate and professional students can get \$5000 per year to a total of \$25,000, in-

cluding both graduate and undergraduate loans.

Interest rates remain unchanged at 9% for borrowers who have no unpaid Guaranteed Student Loans for periods of instruction beginning before 1 January 1981, and 7% who do have outstanding loans as described.

Virginia Air National Guard members should contact MSG Gary S. Brooks, Base Career Adviser, in O&T bldg room 4, for application forms and assistance.



Air Force personnel who choose to wear a uniform when traveling by commercial means are required to wear the combination 1 (males) or combination 1-1A/5-5A (females). Exceptions can be made by installation commanders for travel in small commuter aircraft that involve short flights in areas of the country where civilians wear informal clothing because of weather or cramped conditions on the commuter aircraft.

3. The following applies only to members serving PCS/TDY to the Washington, DC area:

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY: The lightweight blue jacket may only be worn as an outergarment to and from work with combination 2-2A-3. The jacket may not be worn with combination 4-4A (blue shirt without tie).

4. A shoulder mark grade insignia similar to that authorized for officers has been approved for wear by members serving in the top three grades. Military specifications are being finalized and will be sent to the manufacturers for pro-

duction within the next few weeks. However, the insignia is not expected to be available at clothing sales stores until early spring 1982. It is recognized that some enterprising vendors will attempt to duplicate the approved specifications and sell this new device through outlets other than clothing sales stores. Members in the top three grades should be advised that wear of the new insignia is not authorized pending availability in clothing sales stores and appropriate change to AFR 35-10.

5. The Air Force Uniform Board has approved a new Air Force blue, all wool, v-neck pullover sweater as an optional item for men and women. The sweater will be authorized for wear with uniform combinations 2-2A (men and women). The top three grades will wear the embroidered shoulder rank insignia on the epaulets of the sweater. The grades of technical sergeants and below will wear no grade insignia on the sweater. Availability date is unknown at this time.

# OPSEC Update



During the past year, the 192TFG has converted from the F-105D to the A-7D. Despite numerous problems, the unit is well on the way to becoming operationally ready by early 1982. Although this accom-

plishment seems to have gone unnoticed by some, I can assure you that the KGB has been monitoring our programs, as referenced by the recently received letter.

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALISTS REPUBLICS  
KOMITET GOSUDARSTVENNOY BEZOPASNOSTI  
COMMITTEE FOR STATE SECURITY  
STATE SECURITY BUILDING, MOSCOW

Reply to  
ATTN of: CPSU/DGB

7 November 1981

Subject: Letter of Appreciation

To: OPSEC Monitor, 192TFG

1. In celebrating the 64th Anniversary of our Great October Socialist Revolution, I would like to pause and commend your unit on it's conversion to the A-7D. We have been closely following your progress. Although disappointed that you did not receive the A-10, we were relieved that the rumors of your getting the F-16 were not true. With the outstanding maintenance and pilots, which are assigned to the 192TFG, we would much rather see your unit flying the A-7D instead of the F-16.
2. Thanks to your nations' open society, we are able to obtain most of our intelligence from open sources, such as educational seminars, industrial trade shows, and technical publications. However, we are still dependent on obtaining information from units such as yours. I would like to express my deep appreciation for your unit's support during this past year. With their assistance we have been able to save countless manhours and great expenses, which now will be directed to other priority projects. Your recent telephone conversations discussing tactics, exercises, inspection results, maintenance and supply problems, and aircraft capabilities/limitations have been very useful. This type of support makes my task both productive and rewarding.
3. Your open society and the fact that Americans like to talk too much, has made my career in the State Security Service (KGB) one of the most rewarding functions which a soviet citizen can perform. One of my biggest problems is determining which agents will operate in your country. Although we are making considerable progress in Afghanistan, Cuba, Iran, Poland and even in some of your NATO countries, the United States is the number one choice of our agents. I usually have to send my best agents to the more difficult countries. The United States continues to be one of the easiest to obtain information, primarily due to the fact that people DO NOT REALLY THINK THAT THE KGB EXISTS.
4. As we begin another year of working together, I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of my staff and the entire Soviet Government to thank the members of your unit for helping us perform our most important task of monitoring the conversion of the 192TFG. We look forward to hearing from you during the months ahead.
5. In closing I leave you with the thought of last year's letter - KEEP TALKING - WE ARE LISTENING.

Your Comrade,

YU V. ANDROPOFF  
Chairman, KGB

## AWARDS

### Air Guardsman Of The Quarter



TSG Garland L. Frye

### NCO Of The Quarter



TSG James L. Dobbins

### Maintenance Man Of The Quarter



SSG Charles F. Myers II