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NEW WEAPON SYSTEM FOR 192TFG



A-7D CORSAIR

"short little ugly fella"



**UTA SUNDAY
CHAPEL ACTIVITIES**

Sunday 0830 - General Protestant
1300 - Mormon
1400 - Catholic Mass

**Associations Seeking
More Memberships**

As a member of the Virginia Air National Guard you are eligible to join one of the State Associations representing Guard membership in Virginia.

Both the Virginia National Guard Officers and Enlisted Associations work throughout the year to obtain benefits at the state and national level, as well as association sponsored programs to enhance the National Guard.

Your membership in these organizations makes them stronger. Your support and enrollment in the appropriate association is earnestly solicited.

Enlisted personnel should contact CMS Glenn, Resources Squadron, or SMS Germain, Combat Support, for details. Officers should submit dues to Maj Cousins, Combat Support Squadron.

Order Of The Sword

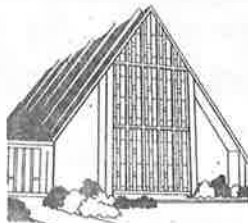
The Air National Guard Order of the Sword has been adopted by the noncommissioned officers as our method of paying tribute to persons whom we hold in the highest esteem and whom we choose to honor.

The large Master Sword, symbolic of the ANG Order of the Sword, is now being hand made. Upon completion the Master Sword will be on permanent display at the National Guard Bureau except when it is shipped to the location of the ANG Order of the Sword ceremonies.

We, the NCO's of the Air National Guard, must finance the cost of the Master Sword. The method of doing so is by selling ANG Order of the Sword Booster cards for a donation of \$1.00. To become a Order of the Sword Booster member see your First Sergeant or Chief Buttner this UTA. Let's support this very worthy cause.

More information will be provided as it becomes available. ANG Pamphlet 900-4 is at the printers and should be distributed soon.

**UTA
10 Jan 11**



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).

**Readiness Evaluation
Set For January UTA**

If there appears to be a high level of activity on the base during the January UTA, do not be alarmed, it is planned activity. Starting Friday and ending about noon on Sunday the 192d is planning a unit readiness evaluation (notice I didn't say a practice ORI).

Although I'm sure everyone's mind is on the conversion to a newer aircraft, we cannot disregard the fact that we have, and will continue to have a commitment in the F105. Therefore, an evaluation of this type will test our ability to respond should the need arise.

So what does a unit readiness evaluation mean? Well, it means a greater number of sorties generated. In war-time we may be tasked to generate more sorties than would be possible. We have to know what we are capable of doing and we need the experience of operating at 100 plus percent. Our survival may depend on it.

Flying over the UTA will be generated by an Air Tasking Order (ATO) similar to something we would receive from higher headquarters. Upon receipt of the ATO, maintenance will start the difficult job of trying to provide aircraft to meet the requirement. Operations will start assigning pilots to the missions. All goes well if there are enough airplanes and enough pilots. Then the planning begins. Success is measured in bombs on target on time.

Several exercises are also being planned for the weekend to test our ability to cope with emergencies/disasters. If you are not busy launching or flying airplanes, you may be busy running for cover.

The objective of it all? Train to improve our capability.

Let's hope for good weather and some great training.

Club Notes

A promotion party honoring all members of the 192TFG promoted to Staff Sergeant and above between Sep 79 and 31 Oct 80, will be held right after UTA on Saturday, Jan 81, at the Club 149. Food and drink will be provided by the honorees and you need not be a Club member to attend this Group Function.

For those who wish to join the Club 149, however, the January UTA begins the 1981 membership drive. Consider all the advantages of membership and sign up for a full year of special functions in the newly renovated facility.

WINTERGREEN SKI TRIP
Jan 17, 81, Saturday
Night Skiing. Contact Steve Ingram, A Dock, in Hangar, Phone Nr: 222-6533

**LUNCH
10 JANUARY 1981**

SEAFOOD PLATTER	COLE SLAW	MACARONI AND CHEESE
	BUTTERED GREEN PEAS	
	****SALAD BAR****	
	ASSORTED DRESSINGS	
	TARTAR SAUCE - SEAFOOD SAUCE	
CORN BREAD		BUTTER
	YELLOW CAKE/CHOCOLATE ICING	
COFFEE	MILK	COLD DRINK

**LUNCH
11 JANUARY 1981**

PORK ROAST		BROWN GRAVY
	APPLE SAUCE	
WHIPPED POTATOES		BROCCOLI WITH CHEESE SAUCE
	****SALAD BAR****	
	ASSORTED DRESSINGS	
HOT BISCUITS		BUTTER
	JELLO	
COFFEE	MILK	COLD DRINK

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Conversion - A Reality

It's Official! The Air Force announced on 12 December 1980 that the 192d Tactical Fighter Group, Virginia Air National Guard, would convert from F105's to the A-7D Corsair. Target date for the transition to the new weapons system is set for 1 October 1981, with the delivery of 18 assigned aircraft, expected to be completed by late summer.

No Mission Change

The A-7D was specifically designed for close air support and interdiction mission. Powered by the Allison/Rolls Royce TF 41-A-1 non-afterburning turbofan jet engine with a thrust rating of 14,250 pounds, the A-7D is noted for its low altitude capability, shorter take-off distance, higher cruise ceilings and speed, and increased range/loiter time.

It's six wing pylons and its two forward firing fuselage stations can accommodate a wide range of stores in the airborne ordnance arsenal. For aggressive defense, a M61, 20mm cannon is carried internally, and the aircraft may be armed with air to air missiles.

A New Dimension

The continuously computed air to ground attack solutions of the Navigation and Weapons Delivery System (NWDS) give the A-7D pilot maximum versatility in weapons carried and modes of delivery. By relieving him of routine navigation duties, it allows him to concentrate on mission objectives.



Vought A-7D Specification

Power Plant: One Allison TF41-A-1 (Rolls-Royce RB.168-62 Spey) rated at 14,250 lb (6,465 kg) static thrust. No afterburner.

Weights: Empty 19,490 lb (8,840 kg); internal fuel, 9,750 lb (4,423 kg); external load, 15,000 lb (6,804 kg); gross weight, 42,000 lb (19,050 kg).

Performance: Maximum speed (clean) 607 kt (1,123 km/h); tactical radius with internal fuel and 3,600 lb (1,623 kg) external weapon load, 700 miles (1,127 km); ferry range over 4,000 miles (6,437 km); take-off ground run with combat load, 5,800 ft (1,768 m).

Dimensions: Span, 38 ft 8 in (11.79 m); length, 46 ft 14 in (14.05 m); height, 16 ft (4.88 m); undercarriage track, 9 ft 6 in (2.89 m); wing area, 375 sq ft (34.84 m²); dihedral, -5°; aspect ratio, 4.0:1; sweepback at quarter chord, 35°.

Planners At Work

Although the public announcement of the 192TFG conversion, with resultant declassification, was just released on 12 December, the unit has been hard at work for some time formulating requirements for a smooth transition. A pre-conversion meeting, held at Byrd Field in late October, was attended by approximately 40 personnel representing various commands, depots and organizations that share some part in this unit's conversion.

Since then many 192d members have been working on various phases of the new weapon system. A team has been formed to function as the central point of contact and to manage the conversion program. Maj Basil Evans, Group Executive Support Officer, has been appointed as the Conversion Project Officer, and a control center is being established in the Operations building to manage the conversion.

Serving as members of the team and representing the major functional areas are: LTC Gathright, DCR; LTC Germain, DCM; Maj Rose, DCO; Maj Prossise, BCE; Maj Cousins, BSO; and Cpt Fuccella, ACF.

A lot of work has been accomplished up to this point; but, of course, there is still much to do to insure we convert safely and in a manner not to degrade out readiness status.

Every member of the 192TFG will play a part in the conversion, and no matter how small that may seem, it is extremely important for each of us to participate and share in the additional requirements that will be generated during the next 12-18 months.

RIF Not Anticipated

One article in the local paper talked about reduction in strength. You should be aware that procedures are being worked on that will allow for retention and cross-training for those that may be affected. At the present time it appears that normal attrition would take care of any reduced manning authorization.

All in all it looks like an exceptionally fine aircraft to be receiving. The 192d has always been in the forefront when faced with required changes, and this change will be no different. On the other end of the conversion timetable we will all be proud to have played some part in this conversion and maintained the proud tradition of the 192TFG....

F-105 vs A-7, A Pilot's View

By MAJ ROBERT SEIFERT

Conversations concerning the conversion of this unit to another aircraft probably began back in the early 1970's. It is common for pilots to talk about the airplanes they have flown and the airplanes they hope to fly. If you have flown a F-104 or a F-106, it's easy to brag. Few pilots have flown them and they are considered "class" aircraft. The same is true of the F-105. Pilots that have flown it have generally done so for long periods of time. Relatively few pilots have had the opportunity. Every pilot in this unit is proud to have had the opportunity.

The F-105's reputation is based on its beauty, its war record, and its speed. To a pilot the most impressive of the three is its speed. To a fighter pilot, speed is survival. Ask a F-15 pilot who has unsuccessfully tried to catch a F-105 if he was impressed. Flying the F-105 has been good for the 192d. The unit could build

a reputation on the reputation of the aircraft. That has happened.

So what of this A-7. To a pilot it's a new aircraft. Not one pilot in the unit has flown an A-7 before. It will be a new experience, but one I'm sure they are looking forward to. Fighter airplanes each have strengths and weaknesses. Strengths of the A-7 are its maneuverability, endurance (ability to stay airborne longer), excellent navigation systems and a reliable, accurate weapons delivery system. Survivable in combat? Sure it has proven that in years of service to the Navy and Air Force. Effective in its mission? No question about it. Advanced systems on the aircraft give it capabilities only the latest aircraft possess. Fun to fly? Well, I don't know, but I will bet you I won't be disappointed.

As for memories. Sure I flew the F-105 and loved every minute of it, but now I have a new challenge and I can't wait.

PROMOTIONS



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

192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP
SMS HATCHETT, HARRY C.
MSG HASKINS, PHIL H.

192D CAMRON
CMS BOWLES, HILARY F. II
TSG HUNTER, ROBERT E. JR
SSG ELLIS, JAY N.
SSG PRICE, ANTHONY C.
SRA BREEDEN, JAMES H. III
SRA DENSON, JOHN G. JR
SRA RAMBEAUT, ROBERT S.
A1C EDWARDS, DENNIS L.
A1C SEALE, DARRICK A.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
SSG KERSEY, WILLIAM W.
A1C JONES, MARIAN E.

192D RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SQUADRON
MAJ ORNDORFF, CLAUDE H. JR
MSG SMITH, EDWARD R.
SSG JOHNSON, JOHN L.

192D TACTICAL CLINIC
SMS SAGER, TIMOTHY C.
TSG WEAVER, ROBERT M.
A1C BUTLER, EDWARD T.

192D WEAPONS SYSTEM SECURITY FLT
TSG STANLEY, JAMES W.



BG William E. Haymes, Assistant Adjutant General (Air), presents CMS Jack S. Sandford with an engraved plaque from the Virginia Department of Military Affairs for his service as Senior Enlisted Advisor, 1 Nov 78 - 1 Nov 80.

ENLISTMENTS

The following personnel were enlisted into the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of December. Those identified with (1) are prior service and those with (2) are non-prior service.

192D CAMRON
SGT SIEWERT, JOHN H. (1)

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
SGT LAYNE, ELIZABETH L. (1)
SGT ROSE, DAVID L. (1)

192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT
A1C HARDISTY, MARY B. (2)

192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT
SSG TAYLOR, GEORGE R. (1)

ROTC Scholarship Available

Do you have a college-bound high school senior in your household? If so, an Air Force ROTC scholarship may be available to that senior. Full tuition, books, most fees and \$100 a month during the academic year are paid by the scholarship. Application for the four-year program (1981-1982 academic year) should be submitted by 15 Jan 81.

College can be expensive, and a scholarship can make that education process a little more manageable. Interested seniors should contact their guidance counselors or the local colleges or universities with Air Force ROTC, or write to the Office of Public Affairs, Air Force ROTC, Maxwell AFB, Ala., 36112.

FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

TSG Troy C. Springer, Jr., has been chosen as the Virginia Air National Guard Firefighter of the Year for 1980. Springer was selected by a vote taken among the 27 firefighters in the base fire department.

Springer, who has been affiliated with the VaANG for 10 years, currently serves as a firefighting supervisor.

In civilian life, TSG Springer is a sergeant in the Chester, Virginia Fire Department.

Security Police Inspection

Security Police will be inspected by TAC & 4th Tactical Fighter Wing during the January 1981 UTA. We solicit your help in all security matters during this period. Priority "B" will be in effect from 0600 hours until 1800 hours, Saturday, and from 0600 hours until 1200 hours, Sunday. During this period, numerous security exercises will be initiated.

It's your Guard. Talk it up.

Vacancy Announcements

The Social Actions Office announces the vacancy for a Social Actions Technician, AFSC 73470B. This vacancy is referred to in the 192TFG as Drug and Alcohol Abuse Technician.

General duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to: advising personnel on social actions responsibilities, policies, and programs; performing administrative functions in support of social actions programs; and organizing and performing drug and alcohol abuse control activities. More detailed information is available in AFR 39-1, Attachment 43, dated 31 Oct 80.

Individuals interested in the position of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Technician must: (1) be qualified at the 5-Skill Level in any AFSC; (2) have a minimum aptitude level of administrative 60 or General 60; (3) have attained NCO status (E-4/-above); and (4) complete the drug and alcohol abuse control course.

The mandatory training referenced above is an eight week school at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX. This course provides background information on the duties and responsibilities necessary to perform AFSC 73470B.

For additional information, please contact the 192TFG Recruiting Office.

The 192d Clinic has a vacancy for one Health Services Administrator, Captain, AFSC 9025. The requirements may be found in AFR 36-1. Consultation/selection will be during the December-January UTAs. Interested persons are advised to inquire as soon as possible at the CBPO for particulars on the units direct commissioning program.

More Insurance Available

The Virginia National Guard Association announced that effective 1 December 1980, available coverage under the VULCAN Life Insurance program has been increased to \$25,000.00. Monthly premium is \$8.67. Previous maximum coverage through VULCAN was \$20,000.00. If you desire the additional coverage, contact Maj Evans, O&T Building for an application. Policies are available for \$5,000, \$10,000, 15,000, \$20,000, and \$25,000.

Guardsmen To Compete With Regulars

SSG Terry Lee Eacho has been named the Virginia Air Guardsman of the Year and has been selected to represent the VaANG in Air Force wide competition in the NCO category. Eacho, who lives in Richmond, has been a member of the Air National Guard for nine and a half years. After an initial six year enlistment, Eacho left the VaANG as a TSG to pursue civilian endeavors. Three years later, he decided to reenlist, despite having to accept a reduction to SSG to do it. Eacho is assigned to 192d CAMRON as a repair and reclamations technician.

In civilian life, Eacho is a project manager for Rawlings and Wil-



SSG Eacho

son. He has used his skills as an architect to help in the design of the new operations building at the Byrd Air National Guard base.

Eacho is married to the former Evelyn Covitz, and they are the parents of two children.

SSG Eacho says any one of the finalists in the Air Guardsman of the Year competition could have been the winner, and he feels privileged to have been selected.

A1C Dwight E. Sheffield of the 149TFS has been named the Outstanding Airman of the Year and has been selected to represent the Virginia Air National Guard in Air Force wide competition in the Airman category. The 19 year old Colonial Heights native has been a member of the Air National Guard for two years as a life support specialist.

Sheffield is currently a freshman at Richard Bland College in Peters-

burg, majoring in business administration, but his outside activities do not end there. He also buys and renovates rental property in the Petersburg area, and currently owns 12 apartments there. He relaxes by



A1C Sheffield

jogging, hunting and snow-skiing.

Sheffield's reason for entering the Air National Guard was a simple one. He says, "I have a great desire to become a pilot".

He comes by that ambition honestly, as they say. His father is Maj Sheffield, a Virginia Air Guard pilot.

MSG Charles P. Smith, of the 192d CAMRON has been nominated to represent the Virginia Air National Guard in Air Force wide competition in the senior NCO category for Outstanding Airman of the Year. MSG Smith has been a member of the unit for nine years, as an Avionics technician. He is married to the former Georgia Summerlin and they have three children.



MSG Smith

Note Of Thanks

I want to express my appreciation to my friends of the 192TFG and the VaANG for your support to my family and I in this trying time of ours. My sons, my wife, Mrs. Hawkins and I are truly grateful to all of you. God bless you and your loved ones during this blessed season. Merry Christmas!

Glen Baker, Jr & family

Pickard Fund Drive In Final Stage

On 7 December, Col Mattox drew the winning tickets for the Raleigh Pickard raffle. L.D. Still won the Shotgun, Angela Edgelton won the gas grill, and Ralph Wise won the ham. Sgt John Brown won the ride in the F105 with the sale of 552 tickets. We congratulate all the winners and thank everyone who participated in this very successful second phase of this fund raising drive. The total amount collected going to the purchase of the van was over \$2100.

The third and final phase of the drive will be a benefit dance held on 13 February 1981. "Graham Bland and the Shades of Blu" will be playing and the location will be the ballroom of the Howard Johnson on the Boulevard off of I-95. Set-ups and snacks will be provided. The cost will be \$20.00 per couple and all proceeds will go to the final payments of the van. Tickets will be sold during January UTA and up to the day of the dance.

Contact SSG Huxtable or TSG Taylor on extension 92, or TSG Martin or SSG Osborne, on extension 15. Make your Valentine plans with us. With your help, we should make our goal.



VaANG Search For Missing Boy

Forty-eight members of the Virginia Air National Guard joined Richmond and Henrico County police in the futile search for missing Paul Glanz, of Oakleys Lane, in Henrico County.

Despite the search effort, the body of the 6 year old was found 3 days later in nearby Hanover County.

Glanz was last seen on 3 December, about 2:45 p.m. in front of his home where he got off his bus.

According to Cpt Harold Yeary, VaANG, "A command post was set up at Glanz's residence where an extensive search was conducted around the boy's home and county".



COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF HENRICO

December 3, 1980

LEELE T. SHEPPARD
Chief of Police
1801 741 4500

Lieutenant Colonel H. F. Coke, Jr.
Commanding Officer
Virginia Air National Guard
Post Office Box 297
Sandston, Virginia 23150

Dear Colonel Coke:

The disappearance of a small child like Alex Glanz is always a traumatic event. If there is a bright spot in such an occurrence, it is the response of the community.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you and through you to the many members of your organization for their assistance in the search for this youngster.

The use of your personnel, your vehicles, your communications network and the facilities of your photographic laboratory were of untold value in the fruitless, but most necessary, search on December 4, 1980.

While I do not know the names of the many members of Virginia Air National Guard who voluntarily participated, I request you express the gratitude of this Division to them. I would especially like to recognize Captain Harold T. Yeary, Sergeant John L. Johnson and Sergeant Mahoney for their leadership, assistance and cooperation in coordinating your personnel with our command post.

If we can ever be of assistance to you or your organization, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

L. T. Sheppard
L. T. Sheppard

In charge of radio communications between police and military personnel was MSG Johnny Johnson of Maintenance Logistics Services and CMS Harvey Mahoney.

"The Army National Guard provided jeeps and a helicopter, (along with two police helicopters) for the search", said Cpt Yeary.

Subdued Fatigue Uniform Mandatory 1 April 1981

The Regular Air Force and the Air Force Reserve are required to be in subdued fatigues by January 1st, but the Air National Guard has been given until 1 April to comply.

Now is the time to start thinking about that subdued uniform...the name patch...the USAF...the rank...and the TAC patch.

Check with supply and your orderly room regarding materials and instructions on where they go. AFR 35-10 has all the information you need, and if your squadron does not have one, ask to see the copy in

Recruiters Receive Awards

Two veteran recruiters for the VaANG received the Virginia National Guard Commendation Medal at ceremonies held during the December UTA.

The Virginia National Guard Commendation Medal is reserved for persons performing outstanding acts, achievements, or services rendered on behalf of the Virginia National Guard.

MSG Charlie W. Udriet, III, and TSG Benson B. Gardner, II, were cited specifically for their contributions in maintaining over 100% manning during the period of October 1978 through September 1979. In fact, since October of 1978 the VaANG has been at over 100% manned in stark contrast to other reserve components.

Through an Air Force program at Langley AFB, our recruiters brief personnel coming off active duty on the Air Guard. About 15-20 interested persons are referred to other states each month as a result of this program.



As Sgt Gardner talked about recruiting, his personality emerged. He smiled. He gestured. He talked in enthusiastic and positive terms about the Air Guard and the future there is for qualified persons.

"We deeply appreciate all the assistance given to us by the members of the unit. If you don't have a good unit, you don't have anything to recruit to", said Sgt Gardner. He indicated that the key to recruiting was selling; 50% emphasis in a future in the Air Guard and 50% emphasis on the people a recruit will work with.

The accomplishments of these two stalwart recruiters have been common knowledge for some time. Each has received awards on other occasions. BG William E. Haymes, Assistant Adjutant General (Air) said, "It's sort of getting to be a habit for Ben and Charlie".

Perhaps the observation of Col Claude F. Heath, Chief of Staff for Air, best sums up the situation, "Charlie and Ben have just done a bang-up job of recruiting; that's all you can say!"



Sgt Udriet was responsible for coordinating advertising, planning and overseeing the entire recruiting effort during this time. "The attitudes of the recruiters and esprit de corps made us want to attain that 100% level", said Udriet.

Attitude was one of the factors indicated by Sgt Gardner when he said, "We consider ourselves as Armed Forces Recruiters. Our first loyalty is the Virginia Air Guard, then the guard, and then to the active services". Both men cited the importance of looking for the person that wanted to be in the military. "If they are good enough, they will become a member (of the ANG), otherwise they will go somewhere else", concluded Sgt Udriet.

the master regulation file located in the Administrative Office in the O&T Building.

Do not put it off until the last minute. Nobody wants to be out of style or fashion.

What if the uniform of the day during the April UTA was SUBDUED FATIGUES???

Every Guardsman is a recruiter.



OPSEC Update

By LTC George Davis

Many of you recall the letter of October 1979, which was addressed to this unit, from the KGB. Although there was a delay in this year's letter, we were not forgotten. However, this year's letter was not as complimentary as last year's. It appears that either we are improving in our OPSEC procedures, or the KGB has more pressing requirements, such as Afghanistan, Cuba, Iran and Poland. In either case, I thought the letter would be of interest to members of this unit.

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

REPLY TO

ATTN OF: CPSU/KGB 7 Dec 80

SUBJ: 192TFG Activities

TO: OPSEC Monitor, 192TFG

All Members, VaANG/192TFG

The staff of the KGB would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the 192TFG on being selected to convert to the A-7D Corsair. We have been aware of this action for many months, and had kept hoping that your unit would have received the A-10 (Warthog) instead. Also, we were delighted to hear that your unit has been assigned only 18 aircraft. Rest assured, our personnel will be observing your progress in the upcoming conversion program.

Our field representatives are always willing to spend time in the Richmond/Sandston area and visit

your famous Club 149. We have heard nothing but favorable comments on the improvements to your club. We would also like to thank the many fine members for their "Southern Hospitality". There is quite a contrast in the response which we receive from our comrades in Afghanistan, Cuba, Iran, and Poland. Some of your people do an excellent job in helping to keep us informed as to what is happening and also what is about to happen.

The results of your OPSEC tests last July, were quite impressive, however, we question some of your figures. We also understand that several of your key NCO's and Officers did not pass the test on the first attempt. Despite an active OPSEC program, it is obvious that some of your personnel do not practice sound OPSEC procedures, as we still receive vast amounts of information concerning your deployments, exercises, unit status, and numerous other problems confronting the unit.

As we begin a new year, 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 very important function of monitoring the activities of the 192TFG. We look forward to hearing from you during the months ahead. In closing, I leave you with one thought - KEEP TALKING.

Your Comrade,

YU V. ANDROPOFF

Chairman, KGB

Air Force Pilots Teach Soviet Methods

Two pilots from the 64th Fighter Weapons Squadron at Nellis Air Force Base spent the December drill weekend with the VaANG. Cpt Phil Gilbert and Cpt Ric Cazessus are members of a unique unit...their mission is to fly their F-5 aircraft the same way soviet pilots would fly Migs. By doing that, other pilots, including those in the VaANG will become familiar with the tactics which may be used by an enemy.



During the December visit, the F-5's were used to simulate Mig 21's while the 105's made simulated low-level attacks.

Said Gilbert, "Our job is to show other pilots what the realistic threat will be, and to show them how to survive that threat".

The two pilots from Nellis flew six sorties during the December UTA weekend, and said the local pilots and their flying were impressive.

Inspector Finds Security Slack On Flight Line

(TACRP 205-1) The following article written by SSG Johann H. Davisson, 4 CSG/SPAI, Seymour Johnson AFB, NC.

"An individual in fatigues with no identification enters the TAC Ramp, proceeds to an F-4 and plants a bomb. This happens in broad daylight, and no one sees it. Sounds unrealistic doesn't it? However, this is a real threat to our aircraft, and something similar did happen.

A Security Police Quality Control Inspector entered the TAC Ramp one day recently without a line badge and conversed with several maintenance people. Nobody questioned

his right or need to be there.. If he had been a terrorist he could have had a field day.

As a member of this wing it is your responsibility to help protect our resources.

When you're on the flight line in a restricted area and you spot someone that isn't wearing a line badge, take the time to check him or her out. If you discover that the person is authorized, no big deal. At least you've taken time to check on a possible threat. If you find that the person is unauthorized, report it immediately to Security Police. If you don't have the capability to contact

Security Police directly, get in touch with Job Control and have them do it for you. Make sure you give your location so that Security Police can find you. Once you've reported the incident, if possible, try to detain the suspect. If you can't, at least keep an eye on him so that Security Police can contact you for directions.

The most important thing is to be on the watch for unauthorized personnel. Check those line badges! Make sure that you as well as your coworkers are wearing yours. If you come across someone that isn't, check him out. Security is everyone's business."

Pistol Team Members Presented Awards

The Virginia Air National Guard Revolver Team completed its first year of competition in the Virginia Pistol League, 10-December.

After the match, the team met at the John Marshall F.O.P. Lodge in southside for their awards banquet.

The top shooter award for 1980 went to TSG Earl Clark, with a 283 average. TSG Clark had been the top shooter for the Richmond City Police Team for many years. He was instrumental in organizing the VaANG Revolver Team this year, but plans to retire from shooting in 1981.

Second place went to TSG Raymond Bassetti, with a 281 average.

Third place went to TSG Robert Cash, with a 276 average.

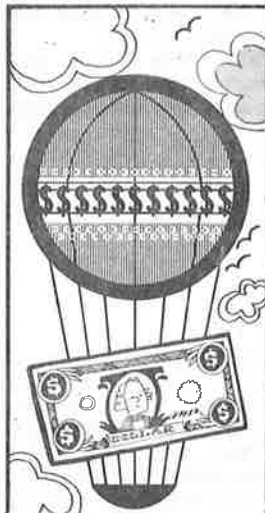
Fourth place went to TSG Abe Easter, with a 266 average.

Fifth place went to TSG Robert Taylor, with a 233 average.

Sixth place through 10th place went to TSG William Edwards, TSG Wayne Hackett, TSG Earl Bergener, TSG Jim Stanley, and TSG Sonny Dorish.

The team members received their awards from SMS Jack Sandford, who was very well pleased with the team's performance and congratulated them for their 4th place finish in the league.

Any guardsman interested in shooting on the Air Guard Revolver Team, see TSG Easter for a tryout.



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Consumer Report

Before You Buy Wood

More consumers across the country are turning to wood either to supplement or totally supply home heating needs.

But buying wood is not always a simple matter. One has the choice of buying wood from a trusted dealer or becoming an educated consumer.

When buying wood, there are five things to consider. They are:

****The amount.** Wood is sold by cords. A standard or full cord is 128 cubic feet (eight cord feet or 3.6 cubic meters), measured as a pile 8 feet long (2.4 meters), 4 feet high and 4 feet wide (1.2 meters). A face cord or a short cord is a pile of wood 8 feet long (2.4 meters), 4 feet high (1.2 meters) and as wide as the lengths of the cuts of wood. A stack of wood is a poorly defined fraction of a cord. And a truck load is a vague term depending on how big the dealer's truck is. A standard pickup will hold one-third to one-half of a full cord.

****The species.** Some species of wood are denser and give off a great deal of heat, such as oak and beech. Others don't give off much heat but are easy to start, such as cedar and white pine.

****Moisture.** Wood is usually advertised as green or seasoned. Seasoned or dry wood will give you more heat and ignite easier. Wet

wood has a reduced heating value because some energy is required to evaporate the moisture. Since seasoned is a vague term, find out how long it has been since the wood was cut. Generally, it should be at least six months.

****Degree of preparation.** Preparing wood is hard work and the price depends on how much work the buyer is willing to do. It's fairly common to buy wood in 4- or 16-foot lengths (1.2 or 4.7 meters) and do some of the cutting and splitting yourself. Other sources of wood include scavenging the local tree dump, picking up windfalls on the roadside, buying cutting rights from a private landowner and cutting wood on state and federal lands under the Cut a Cord program. (State foresters have specific information on this program.)

****Price.** Prices of wood vary from place to place according to labor and transportation costs, supply and demand. Shop around, try to buy when the demand is low and be sure to understand exactly what you are buying

For more information on wood and using it as an alternative way of heating, write to the Consumer Information Center, Department 678H, Pueblo, Colo. 81009 and ask for the free booklet, "Heating with Wood".