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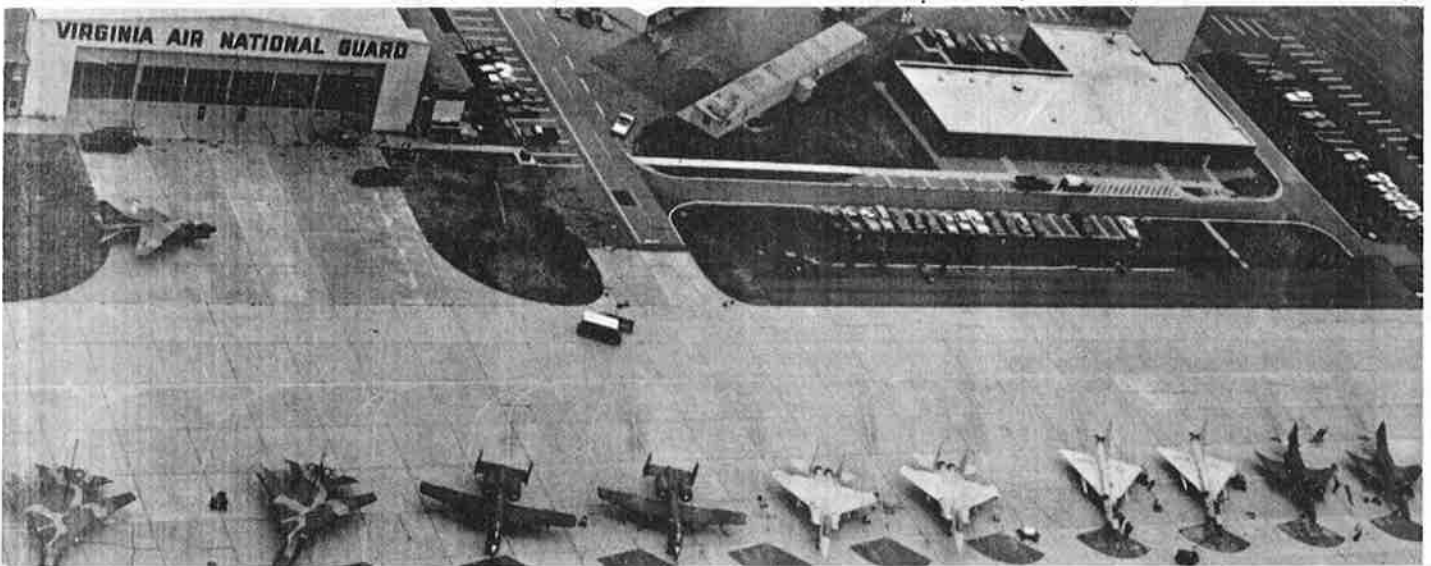
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During the last week of September, the 192d TFG played host to a contingent of 14 various types of aircraft. The planes were deployed here to participate in the retirement ceremony fly by at Langley Air Force Base, Virginia for General W.L. Creech, TAC Commander.

Farewell to the Virginia Air National Guard

By CMS Jack Maynard
Senior Enlisted Advisor

When I was asked to contribute my last article to the VANGUARD, I was somewhat at a loss as to what to say. I could have discussed the Virginia Air National Guard in terms of leadership, discipline, commitment, or a calling, but for the most part, my comments on these subjects have been presented by other facets of the media over the past 23 months. So, what I would like to do is just touch on the pride and happiness I have had during my tenure as Senior Enlisted Advisor of the Virginia Air National Guard.

When I was notified that I was the new Senior Enlisted Advisor, I was absolutely on cloud nine. Now that I am just a few weeks from retirement, I can honestly say that I am still there. I attribute that to the combination of many things - mostly to being part of the best unit I have ever known, and that is the Virginia Air National Guard.

I feel very honored to have been a part of this unit, and to have been able to express some of my thoughts, concerns, and perceptions of where the VaANG has been and where it is going.

When I assumed the position of Senior Enlisted Advisor, the aspect that impressed me most was the support I got from the Assistant Adjutant General for Air, the Chief of Staff and his entire force, Group/Squadron commanders, competitive employees and last, but not least, the entire enlisted force. These and many others have supported me, and have been available when necessary.

In turn, they have allowed me to provide what advice and counsel I could contribute to affect the welfare and morale of our enlisted corps. To have had that sort of backing from these very fine people has to have been one of the highlights of my tenure as Senior Enlisted Advisor.

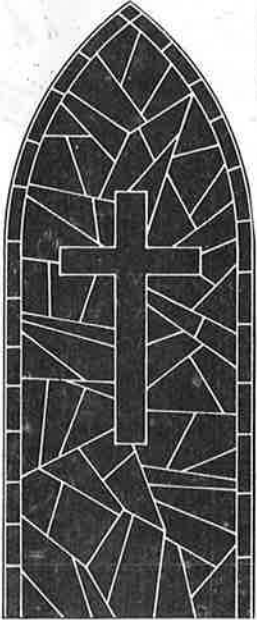
Needless to say that, while I'm gratified to have served my country

and the Air National Guard, I'm also sad that I have to take my leave of this great unit. By the same token, I believe that the timing is about right. We have so many highly qualified noncommissioned officers serving that it would be an injustice not to provide one of them an opportunity to reach the apex of the enlisted force in the Virginia Air National Guard. Please support the new Senior Enlisted Advisor in the same fine tradition as in the past.

The unit history has shown that we have done well in the area of leadership, and one reason is that we continuously improve upon it. We just don't allow the leadership to get stale. We in the enlisted corps can be very proud of our achievements.

If there is any advice I'd give to the men and women of the Virginia Air National Guard aspiring to leadership, it would be for them to learn the art of being a true solid follower first.

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SUNDAY

General Protestant

0730

Mormon

0915

Catholic Mass

1300

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" 387, "C" 66, or 737-0635 (Home) and 737-1527 (Church).

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Farewell

To the VANGUARD, I appreciate the opportunity to present these comments before I conclude more than 33 years of my military career, and my final assignment as Senior Enlisted Advisor. I extend my most sincere wishes to everyone. P.S. Don't forget the school kids in Panama.



Mobility exercise begets lessons learned

For the first time, the 192d TFG mobilized all equipment and people tasked to deploy with the A7/D aircraft. The Self Evaluation Team evaluated the overall exercise as a success, but found some weak areas. The exercise involved processing 572 people and almost 400 tons of equipment designated for deployment on 20 C-141's and 1 DC-8.

MSG Donald Clark, the Group Mobility NCO, noted that the movement of people and equipment was smooth and efficient, but that paperwork documentation for both required improvement. Various workcenters manned by approximately 70 people coordinated, monitored and ensured that all requirements occurred as stated by the schedule of events.

The success of this operation was due to the co-operative effort by all squadrons involved. COL Coke and the Group Staff thank all the members of the 192TFG for the combined efforts making this exercise the success it was. However, there are only two more exercises scheduled prior to the April ORI, and every effort should be made to eliminate any problems discovered during these practices.

Enlisted Advisory Panel to meet

The ANG/USAFR Enlisted Advisory Panel is scheduled to meet on 5-6 February 1985. Individuals are encouraged to submit suggestions for the improvement of the Air Reserve Forces to ARPC/CVR, Lowry AFB, CO 80280-5000 to arrive no later than 7 November 1984 for review by the Steering Committee. Recommendations should be forwarded on ARPC Form 2 or by letter stating the suggestion with any discussion, background information, justification, or references cited. Each member submitting suggestions to the panel will receive a reply as to the disposition of the recommendation. Again, recommendations should be for the improvement of the Air Reserve Forces and to provide maximum benefit to all air reserve force personnel. For questions or additional information, contact Major Joel Levy, Autovon 926-4988.

Chow Call

SATURDAY LUNCH

Salad Bar
Louie's Beef Tips over Rice
Buttered Broccoli
Chef's Salad (as main course only)
Milk, Fruit Drink, Coffee
Chilled Pears

SUNDAY LUNCH

Salad Bar
Cottage Cheese
Roast Pork Ala Jesse
Mashed Potatoes Buttered Peas
Chef's Salad (as main course only)
Milk, Coffee, Fruit Drink
Oh Boy Brownies



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Tough times ahead

By MSG Michael Woody

As if things weren't tough enough already. We now must incorporate into our training of attack/warning conditions/signals; a Mission Oriented Protective Posture (MOPP). The MOPP is based upon the following factors: mission, perceived threat, vulnerability, weather/heat stress chart, anticipated work rate, and the anticipated reaction time to a chemical attack. These factors will be used by the Battle Staff and the Survival Recovery Center to determine how much chemical protective gear will be worn, in conjunction to the warning condition/signal at the time, in addition to the issued conventional combat gear (helmet, webb belt, canteen, ammo pouch and first aid kit).

After assessing all the information to determine the probability of an air/ground attack and use of chemical agents, the Battle Staff and Survival Recovery Center will determine whether or not to direct pre-attack suiting in the CW ensemble levels 1, 2, 3, or 4.

Previously, members were required to be in a particular stage of dress depending on the warning condition/signal (yellow, red, black). You can imagine being in Savannah and having a condition yellow for any extended period of time. The heat stress would virtually incapacitate the entire unit. This is the rationale for the use of MOPP levels as well as the heat stress chart and work rest cycles. All these things are used to ensure the continued survivability for the unit.

During the months of October and December, the unit will be conducting exercises using the new MOPP levels. It is every individuals responsibility to be familiar with these levels and their proper response.

Below is the MOPP Chart showing the levels 1, 2, 3, and 4, and the proper stage of dress for each. Every individual must be familiar with this chart. So that when the level is announced there will be no confusion as to which stage dress you must be in. You must also act accordingly to the proper response required by the warning condition/signal. For example, under a red warning condition/signal, an attack is imminent or in progress. When announced everyone must take cover whether inside or outside. (Note: When any individual upon recognition or notification of an attack, should also sound or relay the attack alarm, the relay of the attack alarm should be continued until all personnel have been notified. In the instances when personnel are wearing ear protectors and are exposed to interfering noise, it may be necessary to make physical contact on an individual basis; tap the person on the shoulder to gain their attention.) If outside take cover behind a piece of equipment such as vehicles, age equipment, sand bags or just lie prone on the ground. Once you have taken cover, don the remainder of your chemical gear, gas mask and hood first, clear and seal the mask. If not mission essential, such as launching or receiving aircraft, go to a pre-designated shelter. During the immediate stages of condition red, no one should be moving about. Everyone should be in a prone position. Once the attack is over, the condition will change to black. Remember every attack is considered to be a chemical attack. The full CW ensemble will be worn (MOPP level 4) until at such time the Disaster Preparedness Mobility Team determines whether or not chemical agents were used, and the Battle Staff and/or SRC change the warning condition and or MOPP level.

MISSION ORIENTED PROTECTIVE POSTURE

	MOPP 1	MOPP 2	MOPP 3	MOPP 4
OVERGARMENT	READILY AVAILABLE	CARRY	WORN OPEN	WORN CLOSED
OVERBOOTS	READILY AVAILABLE	CARRY	WORN	WORN
MASK/HOOD	CARRY	WORN	CARRY	WORN
GLOVES	CARRY	WORN	CARRY	WORN
CONVENTIONAL GEAR	WORN	WORN	WORN	WORN

News Briefs

Now that the Virginia Air National Guard has met its CPR requirements for training mandatory personnel, a basic CPR class is being held 8 December during the December UTA.

We are proud to offer this class to personnel wishing to become certified as a basic cardiac life support provider.

Any person interested in attending this class (8 hours), contact SSG Denise Jones, Ext. 434.

YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID!!!

The Virginia Air National Guard license plate frames have arrived. You may pick them at the old CE building from MSG Vickie Norwood this UTA weekend.

The ANG Retired Members Association meeting will be held Wednesday, 1930 hours, 17 October at the Club 149.

Busch Gardens will sponsor "Virginia National Guard Days" on 27-28 October 1984 for all Guard personnel, employees of the Department of Military Affairs and their families. The regular admission price will be reduced from \$13.95 to \$9.95 for this occasion. Although 27-28 October will be declared "Virginia National Guard Days", the tickets may be used on any day between now and that weekend. The park hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from MSG John Rollings, Base Career Advisor, in Room 23, O&T Building.

OCTOBER CONCERTS

14 October
Crystal Gayle and Exile
5:00 p.m. \$3.50

21 October
The Statler Brothers
2:00 and 5:00 p.m.
\$4.00

27 October
Soap Opera Festival
3:00 and 5:00 p.m.
FREE (in the Festhaus)

28 October
John Schneider and Louise Mandrell
2:00 p.m. \$3.00

October 7-13 is Fire Prevention Week

Once again Fire Prevention Week is upon us. It doesn't seem as though summer is over and winter is rapidly approaching. The majority of multi-death fires occur during the winter months. Seventy-eight point five percent of all fires reported are between 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., the time when most people are sleeping.

This year let October 7-13 be the starting point for a year-round focus on fire safety. Have your furnace serviced for good working order. Check the operation of smoke detectors. If using auxiliary heating units, check them and familiarize yourself and your family of their operation and dangers. The same is true of your home fire extinguishers, check it and make sure you and your family know how to use it. For more information on home heating appliances, smoke detectors, or fire extinguishers, call the Technical Services Branch of the Fire Department, Sgt Gipson, X361.

1,2,3,4,5, a'clock rock

Come join in the fun and excitement of a 50's dance and dinner on the 26th of October at Club 149. The cost will be \$7.00 per person, and tickets may be obtained from any Club Council member or at the Club.

A fresh fish dinner will be served from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and will be followed by a nostalgic 50's dance. Come dressed in 50's garb and be judged for best costume. There will also be Jitterbug and Twist contests.

So...put on your dancing shoes and we'll see you on the 26th.

DRAWING

CLUB 149 will begin a drawing starting in October. A club card number will be drawn at random between 1800 and 2000 Saturday evenings. Members must be present to win. Twenty-five dollars will be put aside for the first drawing. In the event that the member whose card number is drawn is not present, then the \$25 will be put back, and an additional \$25 added to it for the next drawing in November. This will continue until someone wins the pot, at which time a new one will be started.



Child safety

The checklist below contains information which can help you protect your children. Read it carefully and discuss it with your children until they understand.

[] All children should know their full name, address including the city and state, and phone number including the area code.

[] Make sure your children know how to reach the operator and how to call long distance.

[] Take photos of your children at least yearly, and keep a copy of their fingerprints and dental records.

[] Teach your children to never admit to anyone over the phone that they are home alone, and to call the police or a neighbor if someone tries to get into the house.

[] Be sure that your children's school or day care center will not release them to anyone but you or someone designated by you. Set up a code word with your children if you must send an unfamiliar adult to pick them up.

[] Teach your children what to do if they get separated from you. If you are shopping and become separated, your children should not look for you but should go immediately to the nearest clerk and ask for assistance. They should never go to the parking lot without you.

[] Children should know they have a right to say "NO". They do not have to obey strangers.

[] Teach your children that a stranger is someone you and they don't know. A "bad" stranger asks children to go with them, offers them candy or presents, or asks them to take his photograph.

[] If children are followed by someone in a car or on foot, they should run to the nearest public place and yell "Help!" Never run to a deserted place.

[] Your children should know that adults rarely ask children for directions, and it is best to ignore strangers who do. If a stranger calls them to a car, they should never go near it.

[] Teach your children to tell you about strangers they meet, or anyone who asks them to keep a "secret."

[] Tell your children that no one has the right to touch them or make them feel uncomfortable.

[] Never leave your children alone or in an unattended car.

[] Know your children's friends.

[] Listen when your children tell you they do not want to be with someone: there may be a reason.