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### Mobility exercise Saturday UTA's

Mobility is upon us once again. This weekend (Saturday UTA), we plan to process approximately 250 personnel and 120 tons of cargo. Remember, the fatigue uniform must be worn for processing, and starting this exercise, a suitcase or duffel bag is needed for the individuals that are processing. During this exercise the MCC will be located next to the Command Post in the OPs building. The MPU, TCU, and APT will be located in the Fuels/-Corrosion Control Hangar. The ACT and Cargo In-Check will be located at the hardstand/gravel ramp area. Due to the length of time since our last exercise, let's put forth extra-effort to make this exercise a success.

Weaknesses in the past have been in personnel readiness and personnel on mobility are advised to make sure they have checked their mobility requirements.

Among those items often overlooked are:

\*Having a current and valid ID card with the proper rank and expiration date.

\*Having dog tags. Many people forget to turn back in their ID tags after a deployment or exercise. The ID medal tags are in each individual's mobility folder.

\*A current DD Form 93, Emergency Data Form, which lists next of kin and beneficiaries. Each individual Guard member must keep the Form 93 current at all times.

\*Those on mobility should be conscious of their need for a will and power of attorney. They should also check out their pay allotments so money will be provided for families in case of mobility.



LtCol Hudson, Clinic Commander



MSG Childress, 1st SGT

U.S. Air Force photos by Joan Burke.

### England and America - a common heritage

By MSG Sal Marciante, Jr.

On 16 August 1986, fourteen members from the 192d Tac Clinic departed Richmond IAP for their first overseas deployment as a group. The deployment was to Greenham Common, United Kingdom, and was the result of high marks on our HSMI and the diligent efforts of the Clinic Commander, Lt Col David Hudson and Clinic Superintendent, SMSgt Timothy Sager.

Greenham Common is the only totally integrated NATO forces base in Europe today. American and RAF personnel work together to carry out mission for the ground launched cruise missile activity.

During World War II, it was used as a Glider Base for the invasion of Europe. During the 1950's and 60's, it was a bomber base and in 1983 it was the first NATO base to receive the Cruise Missile.

Today at Greenham Common, the medical contingent consists of an active medical and dental contingent serving 2000 military personnel, not counting dependents. The clinic is

capable of providing all services short of hospitalization or surgery.

We were welcomed and in-briefed by Col Steve Coleman, Clinic Commander. Within 48 hours we were up to speed and making our contribution to the mission. Our group consisted of Lt Col David Hudson, Lt Col Earl Rubis, Maj Richard Ford, SSgt Mary Miles, TSgt Rita Anderson, TSgt Joe Francis, MSgt Crate Spears, TSgt Jim Watkins, MSgt Larry Byers, Sgt Doug Renalds, TSgt James Jackson, MSgt Sal Marciante, SMSgt Lou Pearman, and MSgt Herbert Childress.

The middle weekend of our two week stay afforded many of us an opportunity to travel and learn not only about the people of the United Kingdom but also Europe. Several different individuals visited Wales, Scotland, France, and Holland, as well as, London and the surrounding country side.

As our plane took off from Gatwick Airport, London, many of us were already wondering if we will ever have an opportunity like this again. It will be a memory all of us will be proud to recall.



# HALLOWEEN



## The National Guard and its role

In January 1985, the governor of California refused to let 450 members of the California National Guard participate in a military training exercise in Honduras.

One year later, the governor of Maine kept members of the state's National Guard from participating in a road building exercise in Honduras and another exercise in Panama.

These are not isolated incidents. Why do they happen?

National Guardsmen serve both as state militiamen and federal reservists under legislation enacted by Congress in 1933. In addition, the Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 requires a governor's consent before his state's National Guard may be mobilized for federal service.

James H. Webb, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, said this requirement which has been used by certain governors and special interest groups to affect U.S. foreign policy at the expense of important National Guard training has become obsolete and must be changed.

Webb said that state governors' politically motivated decisions not to send their National Guard troops for critical overseas training jeopardizes the readiness of National Guard units', readiness on which U.S. national defense depends.

"This is no longer a case of a few isolated incidents; it is a demonstrated way for dissent groups, state legislators and state governors to seize a forum to debate foreign policy," Webb told a subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Since January 1985:

\*Three state governors have refused to permit National Guard mem-

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Halloween is a time of make believe and adventure for children, and parents often put a lot of time and creativity into planning the perfect costume. But it's also important to plan for Halloween safety.

Costumes should be nonflammable and short enough so the little goblins won't trip. If the costume involves a toy gun or sword, make sure it is not sharp or heavy enough to hurt anyone.

Especially for little children, avoid extra-long clown shoes or mom's and dad's oversized shoes. You might want to have a dress rehearsal to make sure they can move and see well in their costumes. Make-up is better for vision and breathing than a mask, but if they must wear one it should fit well and have openings for the eyes and room to breathe.

To make sure drivers can see them, put reflective tape on your children's costumes, if the costumes aren't light enough. Give the children a flashlight or a glow-tube (glow tubes come in fun and "scary" shapes like little skulls) so they can see and be seen.

If your young children goes "trick-or-treating," go with them or send a responsible teenager along. Go over basic traffic safety rules with them, such as crossing only at intersections after looking both ways. Tell them to stay on the sidewalk, and if there is none, to stay as close as possible to the curb, facing traffic.

Tell your children to stay in your neighborhood, and have an agreed on time for them to come home.

Remind them to keep themselves and their treat bags away from candlelit jack-o-lanterns. Tell them not to go to unlighted houses and to wait until they get home so you can inspect their treats before they eat them. Throw away any unwrapped

candy, and wash and cut up fruit into little pieces. If you find anything wrong with a treat, report it immediately to the military or local police so others can be warned.

If you're staying home waiting for trick-or-treaters, remember to put your light on and keep your sidewalk and steps clear. Be careful not to put candlelit jack-o-lanterns where curtains or costumes will brush them. To be extra safe, substitute a small flashlight for the candle.

If you're driving, drive more slowly and watch for children everywhere.

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# Enlisted Advisor's Report

By CMS Dave Lutz

Senior Enlisted Advisor

## News Briefs

Air National Guard Pamphlet 39-21 details the duties of the Senior Enlisted Advisor (SEA). Prior to this, the duties were loosely listed in ANGR 39-20. The new publication was written around the activities of Air Force and Air National Guard SEA's since the position was first established. The easiest way to eliminate error is to write the rules around what you already do. Seriously, this publication is priority reading for those of you who have the SEA position as one of your career goals. If you can't locate a copy in your squadron, contact me for a copy. My tour in this position will end with my ETS next August. In order for my tour to overlap with that of my successor, the resume submittals, interviews, and selection must take place in the March-April time frame. It's not too early for you E-9's and promotable E-8's to be thinking about the position, preparing your resume, etc. Come talk to me about it.

The new Senior Enlisted Advisor of the Guard Bureau is CMSgt Richard Green of the Arkansas Air Guard. He replaces CMSgt Bernie Carbon whose tour ended in July. We hope that Chief Green will visit our unit in the near future. The new Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force is CMSgt James Binniker who was TAC's SEA at Langley. Chief Parish retired in July the new SEA at TAC is CMSgt Ken Meeks. I met with Chief Meeks in September and welcomed him to Virginia from South Carolina (9th Air Force at Shaw AFB). Chief Meeks is looking forward to visiting us in the near future.

The report of the last meeting (July) of the ANG/USAFR Enlisted Advisory Panel has been issued and includes several items of interest which the panel recommended that the NGB approve:

1. That personnel in retired status (under age 60 with 20 or more satisfactory years) be given BX privileges.
2. That personnel in retired status be permitted use of base theatres.
3. That personnel in retired status be allowed use of Class VI packaged liquor stores.

You will hear a lot more about these after NGB has ruled on these panel recommendations.

Initial looks at the enlisted survey forms that you completed last month have been very interesting. I appreciate the extra effort and thought many of you gave to this. It will take quite awhile to compile and translate the data, but I have no doubt that the unit will be able to benefit from your input. If any of you would like to discuss any of the survey items further, contact me at Ext. 510 on UTA weekends.

As most of you know, we are permitted to promote 1% of our enlisted personnel each year under the

Deserving Airman program. This program gives commanders a chance to promote personnel who are exceptional performers but are barred from promotion by UMD restrictions, shortage of unit vacancies, etc. Last year, I voiced my disappointment when only six people were recommended for the eight promotions we were authorized. This year we were authorized ten promotions and twenty-six recommendations were received. This, in my opinion, is as it should be. The promotion board members spent a lot of time reviewing records and letters of recommendations of each individual as well as interviewing each. Those recommended are all highly qualified and, in some cases, only a few points separated those selected from those who were not. In some cases, lack of PME made the difference. Until you have a chance to review the records of a group like this, it's hard to believe how active, qualified, and experienced our people are.

The 192d's A-7s flew over Fort Meade, MD, on September 13, helping kick off celebrations for the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. Colonial and ceremonial units from the 13 original states and members of all the armed forces also participated in the activities commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Annapolis Convention. The Annapolis Convention was the first multi-state meeting held to discuss strengthening the union. It was held September 11-14, 1786, and ended in a call to meet in Philadelphia where our forefathers drafted the Constitution.

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Applications for State Tuition Assistance for the Winter Quarter/Spring Semester must be submitted no later than November UTA. This is for courses beginning 15 December or beyond. Applications can be obtained from MSgt John Rollings, Base Career Advisor, O&T Building, Room 24. Red Horse personnel can obtain an application from MSgt Larry Harris, HQ Building.

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A Human Relations Council meeting will be held at 1100, Rm 1 of the O&T building. Any topics that a VaANG member feels should be discussed by the council should be submitted to your Council Representative or the Social Actions Office prior to the scheduled meeting.

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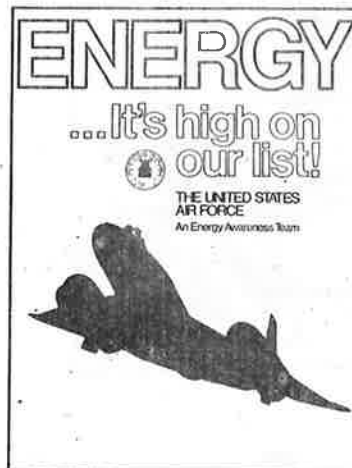
Don't forget you can still buy the special discount tickets for Busch Gardens Amusement Park and Kings Dominion. Both parks are open on weekends only now thru October.

The regular one day admission price for Busch Gardens of \$15.95 has been reduced to \$12.45, a savings of \$3.50 per ticket.

The regular one day admission price for Kings Dominion of \$14.05 has been reduced to \$10.95, a savings of \$4.00 per ticket.

Now is a great time to get out and enjoy two of our state's super attractions. The days are getting cooler, and the parks should be a lot less crowded now that school has started.

Tickets may be purchased from MSgt John Rollings, Base Career Advisor, in Room 24, O&T Building.



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bers to train in Honduras. Three more governors said they will take similar action if asked.

\*Six governors said they will approve National Guard training in Central America only on a case-by-case basis.

\*Twenty state legislators have taken up the issue and remain divided; the House in one state and Senate in another passed resolutions urging their governors to cancel participation or withdraw guardsmen from Central American training.

\*In one state, two legislators pushed for a state constitutional amendment that would require the legislature's approval before their state's guardsmen could be sent anywhere "where there had been armed conflict within two years."

Webb said this pattern is destructive in today's Total Force policy, which is based on the assurance that National Guard and Reserve forces are able to mobilize as quickly as the active forces.

Training in the terrain and climate in which they could be called to operate, with the differences in operating procedures and language they would confront, and using the same transportation and equipment, "provides the best environment that tests every member of a unit and enhances readiness," he said.

"We have increasingly staked our national security on the ability to mobilize, deploy and employ combat ready National Guard and Reserve members and units anywhere in the world rapidly," Webb said.

"Consequently, effective and realistic training throughout the world is a necessity if we are to rely on the men and women of the National Guard to perform their federal mobilization missions within the current deployment schedules."



## Camping out

By TSG Lou Paris

More than 60 members of the 192d Civil Engineering Squadron spent the September UTA living in tents near the Confederate Avenue gate. The Bivouac was part of the unit's annual training requirement.

Major Richard Swift, Commander of the 192d CES, said the personnel involved in the exercise were equipped with everything they would need during a field deployment...from showers to sleeping equipment. The training is necessary to give the Prime Beef personnel training in working as a team in a field environment. It is designed to identify deficiencies in personnel and equipment and to correct them before they become serious.

Saturday morning and part of the afternoon were spent erecting the tents which would serve as both living quarters and work places for the participants. The remainder of Saturday afternoon was devoted to training, and Sunday was dedicated to dismantling the "tent city" they had erected the day before.



## Fire Prevention Week October 5-11