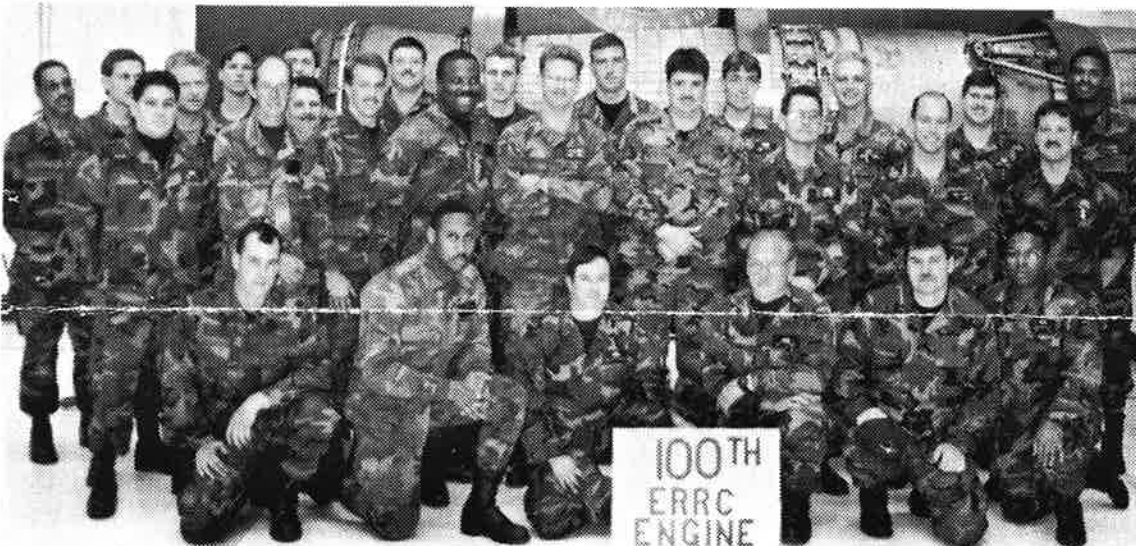


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MEETING THE MISSION WITH MIGHT--Members of the 192d Propulsion Section pose for a photo in front of the 100th engine to pass through their shop. Photo by TSgt Ken Hill.

192d Propulsion repairs 100th engine

With speed and precision, the 192d Propulsion Section recently completed overhaul maintenance on its 100th General Electric F110-100 engine, since becoming an Engine Regional Repair Center (ERRC). Brigadier Gen. Wilbur Rose, VaANG deputy adjutant general for air, was on hand to congratulate SMSgt Ray Bassetti and the members of the propulsion branch on a phenomenal job.

During January 1995, the 192d became a test site for the ERRC. Outstanding results during the test period led the 192d to become an official ERRC Oct. 1, 1995. "The numbers have been staggering," said the commander of the 23rd Logistics Support at Pope AFB, N.C. "From Jan. 1, 1995, to Feb. 29, 1996, DoD had a total

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News you can use:

Gen. Hawley takes reins of ACC

General Richard E. Hawley took the reins of Air Combat Command April 5.

The general succeeds Gen. Joseph W. Ralston who became vice chairman of the Joint chiefs of Staff March 1.

As ACC's commander, Hawley is responsible for more than 1,630 aircraft and 132,600 active duty military and civilian people at 32 major installations in the United States, Panama, Iceland and Portugal. ACC also trains and equips almost 100,000 Air National Guardsman and Air Reservists in 85 combat wings and squadrons in the U.S. and Panama. If the 192d Fighter Wing were activated, it would be an ACC asset.

The command provides nuclear forces for the U.S. Strategic Command, theater airlift forces for the United States Atlantic, Central, Southern, European and Pacific Commands, and defense forces for the North American Aerospace Defense Command.

Before accepting the helm of ACC, located at Langley AFB, Va., the general served as commander, U.S. Air forces in Europe and Allied Air Forces Central Europe.

AF moves up new chevron wear date

The Air Force has moved up the mandatory wear date for the new enlisted chevron from Oct. 1, 1999, to Oct. 1, 1997.

The original date coincided with the mandatory wear date of the new uniform. But

since sales of the old chevron have tapered off, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald R. Fogleman agreed to accelerate the new chevron wear date by two years, said personnel officials in Washington, D.C.

People promoted during this year's promotion cycles should be able to get the new chevrons through their unit supply system, according to Air Force officials. The new stripes are also available at Military Clothing Sales stores.

Are your shots up to date? If not, be sure to mark May 18 on your calendar! (Details on page 12.)



Air Force clarifies military relationships

The Air Force has revised the Air Force Instruction governing professional and unprofessional relationships, personnel officials in Washington, D.C. recently said.

The revision of AFI 36-2909, Professional and Unprofessional Relationships, was prompted because too much of the policy explanation was removed during the process of converting the document from a regulation to an instruction, officials said.

The AFI, and this subsequent revision, don't represent a change in policy, but the revision does clarify the custom and the standards of conduct for maintaining professional relationships in the Air Force.

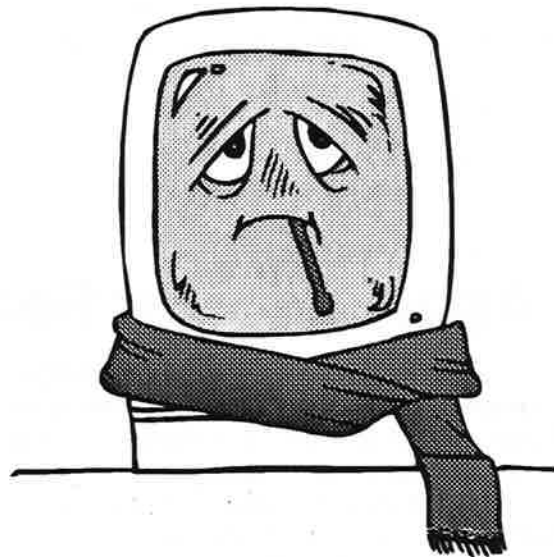
Don't catch a bug!

Computer anti-virus software available

The Department of Defense recently extended its license for IBMAV (IBM AntiVirus) software through Sept. 30, 1996. This DoD-wide anti-virus software may be loaded onto any personal computer at work or in the home of any DoD personnel. (This includes the IBM-compatible PC you own at home.)

The software does not have to be removed from your computer system at the close of the contract. However, unless the government contract is renewed, monthly software updates will not continue after the contract close-out date.

All DoD personnel may now plan, install, and configure their networks knowing they can use the IBM AntiVirus product long term. At the 192d FW, this product is available on the local area network (LAN) at Y:\IBMAV> and can be downloaded to your personal disks (you'll need



two diskettes). To install this program on your computer, follow the instructions found in the INSTALL.TXT file on disk #1.

ChalleNGe students enjoy prom party

"Thanks to many of you, the January '96 graduates of the Commonwealth ChalleNGe program enjoyed a fabulous prom," reported LtCol Bill Schwartz, Va ANG state headquarters.

"It's almost time to honor the June graduates with their graduation/prom party," he added. "Our continued involvement demonstrates to these young people that there are adults who care about our youths' ability to become productive members of society."

The Commonwealth ChalleNGe program is federally funded, but it cannot provide funds for graduation events such as parties. "This is the

reason we're asking for your support," Schwartz said. The VaANG is sponsoring the next ChalleNGe prom June 29 in Hurt Hall at Camp Pendleton, Virginia Beach.

Anyone willing to volunteer their time, or donate money or supplies may call TSgt Beth Martin at ext. 6014 or Schwartz at ext. 6509.

Af-Am Guardsmen meet

The Flight of the African-American Guardsmen committee is holding a meeting Sat., May 18 in the maintenance briefing room at 3 p.m.

May 6-12 is Nurses Week

The American Nurses Association has designated May 6-12 as National Nurses Week.

The 192d FW salutes our nurses and all our medical squadron staff for their outstanding support.

A special salute to our nurses:

Lt Col Joan Brumfield
Maj Cindy Brown
Maj Shirley Douglass
Capt Janelle Miller



Apply now for Senior NCO Academy

The USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy (SRNCOA) is the highest level of Air Force enlisted professional military education (PME). The mission of the academy is to conduct a program of PME to prepare selected senior NCOs to better fulfill their leadership and management responsibilities.

Commanders are requested to nominate their most professional senior NCOs for this program. Attendees come from all major commands, the Air National Guard, and the Air Force Reserve. Applicants should apply for SRNCOA as soon as possible to ensure their desired class date for the fiscal year 97 schedule. Class dates are as follows:

Class 96A 22 Oct 96 - 11 Dec 96

Class 96B 7 Jan 97 - 26 Feb 97

Class 96C 27 Mar 97 - 14 May 97

Class 96D 3 Jun 97 - 23 Jul 97

Class 96E 20 Aug 97 - 8 Oct 97

To be eligible to attend the SRNCOA, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- * Have at least one year retainability from graduation date.
- * Hold a secret or top secret security clearance.
- * Be within body fat limits outlined in AFI 40-502.
- * Be recommended by your immediate supervisor, and have concurrence of your commander.
- * Not be under investigation or charged with an offense punishable under the UCMJ.
- * Must have at least two years between completion of in-residence NCO Academy and the start of your SRNCOA class.
- * Have taken the Air Force Reading Achievement Test (a grade of 9.0 or higher is desirable).

All interested applicants should contact SMSgt Gates, Military Personnel Flight training officer, ext. 6590. Applications must be received by ANG/MPTEE no later than June 7, 1996.

Two earn associate's degree**Congratulations 192d FW graduates!**

The base education and training office has received confirmation that two members of the Virginia Air National Guard recently completed all requirements for earning their associate's degrees from the Community College of the Air Force.

SSgt Michael Boseman earned his degree in Avionics Systems Technology, and TSgt Angela Dientes earned her degree in Administrative Management. The education and training staff tip their hat to these two people.

Anyone interested in earning a two-year degree through the CCAF should call the education & training office at ext. 6590.

**Education Notes****CCAF credits transfer**

That CCAF degree is worth more than you may realize, say base education & training staff. In a survey of recent graduates, now attending a civilian college or university, CCAF found that only 3.4% or 17 out of 202 people indicated that none of their credits transferred.



CCAF graduates reported that more than 71% of those attempting to transfer credit were successful in transferring more than a third of their CCAF credits to another school.

For more information about the benefits of a CCAF degree, call ext. 6590 or visit TSgt White in the 192d FW/MPF training office.

Deadline nears for fall tuition assistance requests

The final deadline for state tuition assistance applications for the Fall '96 semester is close of business of the August unit training assembly (Aug 10 - 11, 1996).

Blank applications may be picked up in the 192d FW/MPF retention manager's office. To receive tuition assistance, applicants must have two years retainability from the last month of the funded semester. For more information, call MSgt Bob Roza at ext. 6314.

Chapel section announces new slots

One thing we all have to be ready for in the Air National Guard is change. In our office, we have been involved with the total base experience with change, but on April 1, 1996, we received word from the Air national Guard Bureau that the manning slots in our office have been doubled! This may seem hard to believe in this era of "downsizing," but we now have to actively recruit a third chaplain and two chaplain service support personnel.

We need your help. If your pastor or priest is under age 40 and might be interested in a military ministry, we would like to talk with him or her. Also, we have slots for a staff sergeant and a master sergeant. If you might be interested in

crosstraining, we want to hear from you.

We take our ministry to each member of the unit seriously. Just like any other section of the 192d Fighter Wing, we are an equal opportunity employer. We would like our team to reflect the diversity of the unit in regard to faith, gender, color and ethnicity. Selectees must attend this career field's military training schools.

Chaplain (Maj) Charles Woods continues to represent our unit at the headquarters for Operation Deny Flight in Vincenza, Italy. Please remember him in your prayers.

by Chaplain (LtCol) Gerald T. Stone
192d FW, senior chaplain

Personnel actions

Accessions - March 1996

SrA Hannigan, Maint Sq
SrA Atkins, Maint Sq
SrA Sipe, Maint Sq
A1C Ellyson, LGS
SSgt Elgin, Maint Sq
A1C Bowers, SVF
A1C Townes, SVF
Amn Gonzalez, MSF
TSgt Tipton, MDS
SrA Grigsby, 203d
SSgt Malpass, AGS
SrA Renigar, 203d
SrA Smiley, Com
SSgt Brown, SPF
SSgt Thomas, AGS
A1C Thompson, R., Maint Sq
A1C Thompson, S., Maint Sq
A1C Meade, Maint Sq
TSgt Dates, MSF
AB Bean, 149 FS
SSgt Taylor, FW

Promotions - March 1996

CMSgt Jerome G. Marshall, Com
SMSgt James B. Monroe, III, AGS
MSgt Paulette Burrell, FW
TSgt Shiela Buckingham, Com
TSgt William H. Morey, MDS
SSgt Angel L. Berrios, 203d
SrA William Cole, SPS
SrA Matthew B. Stoupa, CES
SrA David L. Mozee, Maint Sq
SrA Melissa Spangler, 203d
A1C William F. Folk, CES

Retirements - March 1996

TSgt Ernest L. Graham, Sr., Maint Sq
TSgt Joyce Irby, Log Sq
SrA Joseph Madison, 203d
TSgt Ansley Hammell, 203d
TSgt Robert A. Wilson, Maint Sq

First for unit, Air Force

Recce pods pass Air Warrior test

The 192d FW broke new ground for the unit and the Air Force as it deployed to Nellis AFB, Nev., for two weeks in April to participate in Air Warrior.

The exercise was the unit's final equipment operations shakedown of a new reconnaissance pod the unit has been testing for the Air Force. The 192d became recce mission capable at the beginning of April and will deploy with the new, high tech equipment when the unit heads for Aviano AB, Italy, this summer.

The 58-member team deploying to Nellis in support of the 192d's recce training was a diverse group including pilots, security police, aircraft maintenance, communications, intelligence and administrative support people.

Col. Robert Seifert, operations group commander, was very pleased with the performance of the team and the equipment. "Earlier this year we had some problems with the pods, but everything has been going well here (at Nellis). We haven't missed any sorties, and have gotten pictures of all our assigned targets. Aircraft maintenance and avionics support has been great and equipment reliability has been very good. We shot high quality images of army tanks, trucks, helicopters, storage areas and landing strips," he said.

Air Warrior is an Air Combat Command exercise designed to provide air-land battle training for U.S. Army and Air Force combat air and theater air units. The on-going exercise provides training in a realistic close air support environment for many units. The 192d flew four recce missions each day, over the Ft. Irwin, Calif., training range. Air Force flying units from

Arizona and New Mexico also took part in Air Warrior 96-07.

LtCol Benjamin Petrone, 192d chief of intelligence, echoed Seifert's comments on the success of the exercise. "I was very impressed with the teamwork among our people," Petrone said. "Their combined efforts and talent made this project work well.

"We worked out of a ground station (mobile shelter), where we could quickly translate the pod's data and produce clear images. The new, computerized imaging equipment let us quickly analyze information and send valuable target or battle assessment information to units needing it. We sent imaging data long distances just as we might in a real combat situation."

The intel team also sent examples of pod imagery to Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald Fogleman at the Pentagon. General Fogleman was a driving force behind the development of the F-16 recce pods, and has taken a keen interest in the program's progress.

Capt. Carl Bess, 192d maintenance officer said the maintenance troops, especially avionics, worked long hours during the exercise. He described the exercise as a great learning experience. Three civilian technical representatives worked with the maintenance troops to assist in analyzing and maintaining the recce pods.

The deployment contingent returned to the 192d on April 20.

Special thanks to Capt Bess for the information he gathered for this article.

Tickets available for Braves games


The Richmond Braves 1996 baseball season has begun, and as in years past, the 192d Services Flight has free tickets available for members of the Virginia Air National Guard.

Four tickets are for full-time personnel, and four tickets are available for traditional Guard members. Tickets may be requested five days before that game, and all tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Each person may reserve tickets only once this season. But any tickets still available the day before any game, may be used by any member of the Va ANG. Because of the high demand for Fourth of July tickets, Services will hold a drawing for these tickets. Anyone interested in entering this drawing, must stop by Services and give them your name and phone number. The entry cut off date is June 8, and the drawing will be held June 9.

Contact MSgt Woodson at ext. 6115 for more information, or to reserve ball game tickets.





On the menu...

Saturday May 18	Sunday May 19
Sweet & Sour Pork Chops Meat Loaf w/tomato sauce Steamed Rice Scalloped Potatoes Green Peas w/mushrooms Spice Cake w/icing	Southern Fried Chicken Savory Baked Chicken Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes w/chicken gravy Green Beans Devil's Food Cake w/icing

Get your tickets today!

Amusement parks offer military discounts

Military discount tickets for Water Country USA and Busch Gardens are now on sale in the Support Group Orderly Room. Kings Dominion military discount tickets will not be available this year; however, the orderly room does have Kings Dominion discount coupons, which saves the bearer \$4.35 off regular ticket price.

For more information, or to buy any of these amusement park tickets, contact SSgt Pat Downey or LtCol Buddy Evans at ext. 6302 or 6368, 192d FW headquarters building, rm. 8.

Water Country season pass for one person:
\$63.95

Busch Garden season pass for one person:
\$63.95

Combo (Busch Garden & Water Country)
season pass for one person: \$94.95

Busch Garden one day ticket (7 years & up):
\$24.95

Busch Garden one day ticket (3 - 6 years):
\$18.50



Water Country one day ticket (7 years & up):
\$16.95

Water Country one day ticket (3 - 6 years):
\$11.95

STHQ challenges 192d FW in July

The VaANG state headquarters challenges the 192d Fighter "Wimps" to an evening of fun at Club 149, on Saturday night of the July unit training assembly.

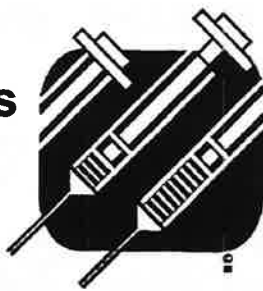
"The gauntlet has been thrown down, the challenge has been made. Compete with us, if you dare," said members of the STHQ staff. "The challenge will be revealed upon your arrival at the club that night."

State Headquarters will be hosting a Wet T-Shirt Contest (approved by Social Actions) and serving chicken "fighter wings!"

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Clinic gives May shot schedule



During the May 18 - 19 unit training assembly, the Medical Clinic will be giving immunizations only on Saturday from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Yellow Fever shots will only be given from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

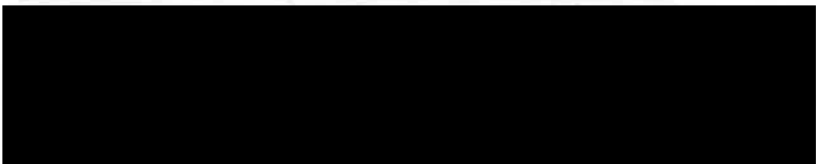
Be sure to get your shot record from your orderly room before going to the clinic for a shot.

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