

192d Fighter Wing
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Wing earns second AFOUA

The 192d Fighter Wing recently earned the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for its exceptionally meritorious service from Aug. 16, 1994 to Aug. 15, 1996.

Wing Commander Col. Robert O. Seifert, was pleased to have the Wing recognized by the highest levels of Air Force leadership. "It was a real team effort," Seifert said of the Wing's many unique accomplishments over the last two years.

During the award timeframe, the 192d accepted the challenge of developing and demonstrating a new reconnaissance pod for the F-16. The new capability lead the unit to becoming the first and only tactical, manned reconnaissance unit in the entire Air Force. The Wing also developed and ran the first-ever, active duty/reserve component Engine Regional Repair Center, and in the process set new

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Dornan safely lands after engine problems

Ops commander saves F-16

Operations Group Commander LtCol John "Dave" Doman safely landed and saved the F-16 he was flying Oct. 31, 1996, after a clogged fuel filter caused two different inflight emergency situations.

"It was the most serious incident I've had in my 25 years of flying," Doman said.

Dornan was #1 in a four aircraft cell flying over the Navy's Dare County Training Range in North Carolina. Dornan's F-16 experienced engine flame out during the group's first range run of the day. The cell was preparing to release simulated MK-84 gravity drop bombs. Doman was in the process of reducing engine power, just prior to bomb release, when his aircraft's engine died.

Doman immediately initiated low-altitude engine flame out procedures. After the F-16 descended below 2,000 feet, Doman got the engine restarted and regained engine thrust at 1,600 ft. (At this point he was below the technical order ejection altitude and he was still losing altitude.) During this time Doman worked closely

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Commander's Call

Understand Am-Ex card, pay off bill

A great deal of time and space has been spent in this publication talking about the American Express military travel charge card program. This program was developed, essentially, to take the Air Force out of the advanced per diem business.

It has accomplished that end. It has, however, placed an additional burden on all of us. The burden for each of us is to keep American Express happy. That means paying the bill when it arrives, and that differs from what many of us may be used to.

The American Express card is a charge card and not a credit card. Many of us carry outstanding balances on our credit cards. The credit card companies like that. By charging interest on the outstanding debt they make money. However charge cards like American Express require that we pay the balance immediately, and that is what is different about this card.

There are two rules with American Express. First, don't leave home without it and secondly, pay the bill as soon as you have been reimbursed by the government. If you were frugal on the trip you may even have a few dollars left over.

I spoke of this being a burden for all of us. Each person is expected to pay his or her bill in full when it is due. For commanders the burden is ensuring you do not have an outstanding American Express balance. Your commander is being notified whenever an outstanding balance exists in any of their troops' accounts. I have directed them to speak with you about your overdue accounts. I can assure you this is work they do not like.

The card cannot be used for any purpose other than official government travel expenses. Misuse of it, or failure to pay outstanding balances is unacceptable.

Col. Robert O. "Bob" Seifert

Help with 50th anniversary fund

The 50th Anniversary planning committee is seeking sponsors to help cover costs of the upcoming celebration, Oct. 10, 11 & 12. Officials anticipate the three-day event will be about \$140,000. LtCol Gary Wood is currently approaching several large area business, seeking donations.

If you think the company or business you work for would be interested in supporting this historic, patriotic event, please call Colonel Wood at (804)236-6466. Give him your employer's name, address, phone number, and the name of the person to be contacted for sponsorship. Wood will contact your employer and give them a sponsorship information package.

Donations of any size will be gladly accepted. Even if your employer can't provide a large donation, they might be interested in providing a small donation--\$100, \$50 or even \$25. These donations will be acknowledged in the celebration program, on the "Richmond's Runway of the Future" donation page. Individual's, offices, sections and groups may also donate money to support this worthwhile event.

Public Affairs has donated \$100 in support of the upcoming event and we challenge every office/section in the VaANG to do the same.

192d FW Public Affairs staff

Use Am-Ex travel card correctly

Failure to pay your bill and misuse of the American Express government travel card are serious business, according Wing Accounting & Finance personnel. Don't let misuse of the charge card or unpaid debt on the card ruin your military career.

The card may only be used on reimbursible, temporary duty, military travel expenses. This means you must be on TDY or military travel orders when you use the card. You may use it only to cover the expenses that you will file and be reimbursed for on your travel voucher. You

may not use the card to make personal or retail purches. You cannot use the card during any form of drill status; don't use the card on drill weekends.

When the bill arrives pay it promptly and in full. If you are TDY for more than 30 days you may go to the nearest Air Force finance office and get an electronic funds transfer to your bank to pay your American Express bill.

Nearly 75 VaANG members are delinquent on paying American Expressnearly \$64,000.

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maintenance benchmarks and saved the Air Force several millions of dollars. Both of these programs were identified as Best Practices during the Wing's Quality Air Force Assessment (held in early August 1996).

During the award period, the 192d deployed 17 times, including two real-world contingencies. The Wing deployed to Incirlik AB, Turkey, and flew the northern Iraq No-Fly Zone as part of Operation Provide Comfort for a month in early 1996. Less than three months later the Wing deployed in support of its second real-world contingency—this time headed for Aviano AB, Italy. For more than 45 days the Wing provided reconnaissance missions over Bosnia as part of Operation Decisive Endeavor.

The Wing also deployed individuals, teams and squadrons to locations including: Misawa AB, Japan; Spangdahlam AB, Germany; Nellis AFB, Nev.; Hikam AFB, Hawaii; Canada and Albania. Efforts of the Virginia Air Guard were felt around the world.

"We deserve the award every year," said Col. William C. Jones, Va ANG state headquarters deputy chief of staff and former192d FW commander. "We have great people who are dedicated. They get the job done and they do it well. I'm proud to be a part of it and to be associated with so many outstanding people," he said.

The Wing's list of accomplishments during the award period is long and includes its many deployments, successful deployment of the new recce mission, the Engine Regional Repair Center, high ratings during the recent QAFA, numerous individual and team awards and achievements, and the Wing's many and varied community involvement projects.

This is the 192d Fighter Wing's second Air Force Outstanding Unit Award. The Wing received the award for the first time for the perior of Jan. 1, 1985 through March 31, 1986.

by TSgt Michael "Ike" Rawlings 192d FW public affairs office

Dornan safely lands F-16

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with his wingman LtCol Jerry Slaughter, in the #2 aircraft. Maj Joe Early and LtCol Steve Hicks were piloting the #3 and #4 aircraft. The decision was made to immediately divert Dornan's aircraft to the nearest suitable airfield—that was the Elizabeth City Coast Guard Station with a 7,000 ft runway about 30 nautical miles away.

This time as Dornan pulled back on the power to land his F-16, he discovered he couldn't reduce his airspeed; the engine thrust wouldn't drop below 95% rpm. Landing an F-16 at high speeds requires breaking cables and the Elizabeth City airfield didn't have them, so Doman was forced to divert again—this time to Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia Beach. However, as Dornan approached Oceana with his now totally unpredictable aircraft, he decided to pass on that location. "The area around the base is too developed—lots of business and residential areas and I couldn't risk losing control of the aircraft," Dornan recounted. He received permission to go on to Langley AFB where he would attempt to bring the aircraft in for landing over open water and away from commercial congestion and residential areas.

At this point communication with LtCol Bill Martin, the SOF at Richmond, was established and a conference "hotel" call was initiated between Dornan and his wingman, Richmond and General Electric's engine technical experts. "I'm really grateful for all the support, analysis and advice I got from everyone," Dornan said.

After the consultation Dornan turned his engine controls back to the setting that brought on the initial engine flameout. Now under that setting, Dornan regained control of his aircraft and landed safely at Langley.

"I was really impressed with our maintenance folks," Dornan said. "After the incident, they

opened an investigation into the cause of the engine problems. Our engine folks and the GE engine technical representatives thoroughly checked every aspect of the problem. They suspected a component called the main engine control (MEC), but even depot-level x-rays of the piece couldn't confirm that it caused the engine problem. They had to take the component apart to confirm their theory. A small fuel flow tube, located within the MEC centrifugal fuel filter, broke away from its base and proceeded to break apart. This debris lodged in the fuel filter and jammed the servos and valves controlling engine burn.

Dornan has been nominated for an Air Combat Command Combat Edge safety award and Dornan, his wingman and the SOF have been commended for their effective handling of the inflight emergency.

Air Force Chief of Staff General Ronald R. Fogleman commended Dornan for effectively handling the unusual emergency. In a letter to Dornan, General Fogleman wrote, "I congratulate you on the successful recovery of your aircraft...Your actions saved a valuable USAF asset and avoided potential civilian casualties. Thanks and well done."

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Wing's first senior enlisted advisor

Stanley sets priorities

Chief Master Sgt James W. Stanley became the 192d Fighter Wing's first senior enlisted advisor (SEA) in November 1996.

Stanley immediately immersed himself in preparing for the many projects, programs and

duties of wing senior enlisted advisor.

He realizes he has a lot of work ahead of him but he's looking forward to the challenges of being a senior enlisted advisor. "Primarily, I will keep the commander informed of enlisted force concerns," he said. "Communication with the commander and the first sergeants is important in ensuring morale and the effective use of people. It is also important to make sure our people are taken care of during deployments."

As the first wing SEA, Stanley's priorities will include:

developing a stronger recognition program (awards & decorations), promotions, supervisory feedback for the troops, and noncommissioned officer (NCO) professional military education (PME).

"Let's not wait until a person retires before recognizing their accomplishments, let's recognize our people throughout their careers," urges Stanley. And when asked about progression of a person's military career, Stanley said, "Take responsibility for your professional military education. Don't wait for someone else to do it for you. Have a vision and a goal; then set up a plan to attain them." He feels it is important for people to have and set goals for themselves.

In civilian life Stanley is a lieutenant for the Chesterfield Police. He enlisted in the Air Force as a security policeman in July 1971.

He joined the Va Air Guard as a traditional Guardsman in May 1978. Prior to becoming wing senior enlisted advisor, Stanley served the 192d as a security policeman, SP training NCO, SP flight chief, SP noncommissioned officer in charge, and SP superintendent.

Stanley said he is available to talk with any

member of the wing's enlisted force. He considers communication very important.

He is located in the Wing Headquarters building, suite 4, ext. 6878. Individuals may leave him a voice mail message by dialing 748-1251.



by TSgt Michael "Ike" Rawlings 192 FW public affairs office

African-American Banquet set

The annual African-American banquet is set for Sat., Feb. 1, at the Omni Hotel in Richmond. The Flight of the African-American Guardsmen of the VaANG commemorates the achievements of African-American Guard members. This year's guest speaker is MajGen John Phillips, deputy undersecretary of state. Music will be provided by the Katz Band.

The banquet planning committee thanks everyone who participated in the bake sale and basketball game fundraisers held over the January drill weekend.

The evening begins at 6 and dress is formal and semi-formal military dress uniforms, suits and cocktail dresses. The Omni is at 100 South 12th Street in Richmond.

Spotlight on First Sergeants

Barnette represents Support Group

Editor's note: This is one in a series of "Spotlights" introducing the 192d Fighter Wing's First Sergeants.

First Sergeant Robert N. Barnette Jr.

Representing:
192d Support Group
(including Military
Personnel Flight,
Mission Support Flight
Communications and
Services)

Location: Wing Headquarters, Building 3652, Rm 8; ext. 6762

Bio Bits: Barnette joined the 192d Fire Department as a fire protection specialist in

January 1977 after stints on active duty and in the Air Force Reserves. He served as a fire fighter, crew chief, assistant fire chief and deputy fire chief before becoming the Support Group First Sergeant in September 1995.

Barnette graduated from Bluestone Senior High in 1970. He graduated from Southside Virginia Community College, has a bachelor's degree in public safety from Virginia Commonwealth University, and earned a

master's degree from Central Michigan University in December 1996.

In civilian status Barnette is a corporate safety specialist for Reynolds Metals Company.

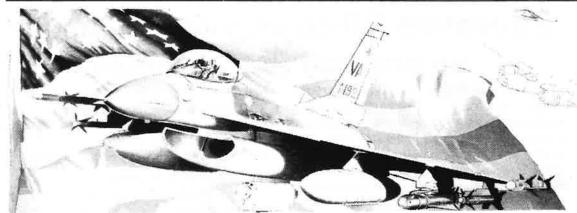
Biggest Challenge as a First Sergeant: Ensuring that the enlisted troops get a fair opportunity to serve on deployments and that they get the training they need to do their jobs safely and well.

High Point: "Being recognized as a First Sergeant when I wasn't in uniform."

Message to Troops: "There are many opportunities available to you. Set your goals, develop a personal mission statement and complete your professional military education requirements."

by TSgt Michael "Ike" Rawlings public affairs office





Order F-16 litho before they're gone

As part of the VaANG 50th anniversary, the 149th Fighter Squadron commissioned an artist to produce a painting of a combat-configured Virginia F-16 over a U.S. flag and surrounded by renderings of all the aircraft formerly flown by the 192d Fighter Wing.

After the painting is completed, a limited edition of numbered and signed lithographs will

be produced. In addition to signing the litho, the artist will add personalized messages upon request. Of the printing run for 200 lithos, only 30 remain unsold. Photos of the completed painting can be seen in TSgt Shirley Cooper's office in the Operations building. Orders may be placed through Cooper. For wing members the limited edition lithograph is \$20. "Don't miss your chance to reserve your copy of this fantastic piece of art," Cooper said.

During Ecuador deployment

CE to provide humanitarian work

In February, the 192d Civil Engineer Squadron will deploy to Ecuador to complete the construction of two medical clinics for the Ecuadorian government. CE was asked by the Guard Bureau Readiness Center to take on this tasking as part of the Humanitarian Civic Action effort.

Master Sgt Tiny Lund, CE Prime Beef NCOIC, said "Forty airmen will fly into Cotopaxi Air Base, Ecuador, and then be trucked to a location several kilometers into the Valley of the Andes to a city called Latacunga. This city is remote and appears exotic and intriguing;

however, the living conditions are very hazardous."

He continued, "The area contains 37 species of venomous snakes and plants 10 times more potent than poison ivy. The area is 10,000 feet in elevation and is located near an active volcano. From the site we will be able to see the Andes mountains. To the west is jungle and to the east is rain forest."

This is the first time CE has been involved in a humanitarian deployment. The 164th CE Squadron, from the Tennessee Air National Guard out of Memphis, will arrive two weeks prior to the 192d to begin the construction project.

by TSgt J.K. Wade, 192 FW chapel

Education Office provides guidance on enlisted PME courses

Professional Military Education courses are taken by both commissioned and noncommissioned officers. These courses teach leadership, management principles, techniques of effective communication, problem solving, analysis of professional reading materials, international relations, national decision making and defense management. They also cover the psychology of learning, individual differences and the techniques of teaching. The courses give students the broad skills and knowledge needed to be effective at various stages in their careers.

The Extension Course Institute offers professional military education (PME) by correspondence. PME is also available by seminar or in-residence through the subject schools. The institute offers the following programs for enlisted personnel:

Noncommissioned Officer Academy

The NCOA Correspondence Course is administered by ECI and generally parallels the resident Command NCO Academies throughout the world. This course has undergone a major revision and has been reduced to two subcourses (6D and 6E). Each subcourse has a closed book course examination and they must be completed in sequence.

Subcourses 6D and 6E are divided into two academic terms, consisting of one year each. A 4-month extension is available for subcourse 6D; a 4-month extension is available for subcourse 6E. Students enrolled in subcourse 6E who fail their course exam twice will be placed in a 6-month study period before they can test a third time. The study period time does not count as part of the academic term year. At the completion of the imposed study period, students must have time remaining in their academic

term to test for the third time. The entire twosubcourse program must be completed within three years of the enrollment date. Failure to complete the entire program within the time limits will result in complete loss of credit.

Senior NCO Academy

The SNCOA Correspondence Course is administered by ECI and generally parallels the resident course at Maxwell AFB, Ala. This course has undergone a major revision and has been reduced to two subcourses (8D and 8E). Each subcourse has a closed book course examination, and they must be completed in sequence.

Subcourses 8D and 8E are divided into two academic terms, consisting of one year each, A 4-month extension is available for subcourse 8D; a 4-month extension is available for subcourse 8E. Students enrolled in subcourse 8E who fail their course exam twice will be placed in a 6-month study period before they can test a third time. The study period time does not count as part of the academic term year. At the completion of the imposed study period, students must have time remaining in their academic term to test for the third time. The entire twosubcourse program must be completed within three years of the enrollment date. Failure to complete the entire program within the time limits will result in complete loss of credit.

Failure to complete a course/program in the specified time limits will result in automatic disenrollment. Voluntarily enrolled students who are disenrolled for noncompletion of a PME Course within the time limits are ineligible to reenroll in a PME course for 6 months following the date of disenrollment. Any questions, please contact the Education and Training office, MPF, Room 37B, ext. 6590.

News you can use...

BAQ recertification continues

The annual recertification of basic allowance for quarters (BAQ) benefits will be held at Club 149 during the February drill. Anyone who didn't complete BAQ recertification during the January drill may do so on Saturday, Feb. 1, anytime between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. or on Sunday, Feb. 2, between 10 and 11 a.m.

Everyone must complete BAQ recertification. According to Finance officials, failure to recertify will result in your BAQ being discontinued. Guard members wishing to have their BAQ reinstated after it is discontinued will have to provide the paperwork proving the number and identities of their dependents.

Finance has new office hours

The Accounting and Finance Office has implemented new customer service hours. The new hours are Monday through Friday: 6:45-7:30 a.m. and from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. On drill

weekends Accounting and Finance hours are: Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Until further notice, all sections of Accounting & Finance will be closed from 7:30-9:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. During this time the staff will be transferring the VaANG paying station from Langley AFB to Limestone, Maine.

W-2s arriving soon

All Guard, Reserve and active duty airmen should receive their W-2 Forms by the end of January, according to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service.

Treasury Department W-2, Wage and Tax Statements, were mailed to all Guard and Reserve members by Jan. 10. People who haven't received their W-2 by Jan. 31, or if the form seems incorrect, should contact the 192d Fighter Wing Accounting & Finance Office at ext. 6592. Financial services offices can reissue W-2s after Feb. 3.

Personnel actions -

Promotions – January 1997

MSgt Warren T. Desper, SPS
TSgt George W. Gross, Maint
TSgt Jeffrey W. Frazier, CES
TSgt David E. Scott, CES
TSgt Samuel J. Moore, Sr., SPS
SSgt Robert E. Megginson, SPS
SSgt Dewayne S. Browning, AGS
SRA Walter L. Garris, Comm Flt
SRA Amy L. Hill, Comm Flt
SRA Matthew J. Prince, SPS
SRA Harold R. Childs, Jr., SPS
SRA Randall L. Ranson, Jr., SVF
A1C Andrew B. Motley, Maint

Accessions – December 1996

A1C Matthew G. Haigwood, 203 RHF SrA Michael S. Davis, Maint A1C Jeffrey S. Newcomb, AGS A1C Stacey R. Sadowski, AGS A1C Rodney A. Hathaway, Log Spt Flt A1C Jeffrey S. Coleman, CES SSgt David L. Taitano, CES SSgt Michael J. Brandow, AGS A1C Quinn D. Robertson, 203d RHF

Announced Retirements

SSgt Scott A. Matthew, 203 RHF MSgt Forrest L. Tibbs, Jr., SPS MSgt Robert L. Booth, Log Sq MSgt Paul G. Riding, Log Spt Flt

Club 149 plans membership drive

Club 149 is hosting a membership drive during the March drill weekend. Club officials are sending 1997 membership forms out now. They encourage all VaANG members to support Club 149. Club members enjoy a variety of recreation activities and events hosted by the club, as well as being able to use club facilities at other military installations.

During the Saturday, March 8 meeting, club members will also elect five new officers for the club council. The meeting starts at 5:30 p.m.

The Club 2000 fund nowtotals \$12,843. The goal is \$100,000. Anyone wishing to make a pledge to the Club 2000 fund, or anyone with fundraising ideas may contact TSgt Shirley Cooper at ext. 6428.

The club is still looking for squadrons interested in sponsoring a club activity or event during a drill weekend during 1997. At this time, the Chiefs' Council is planning food, fun, and a tag sale for May and Operations will host activities at the club in June.

Virginia's Singing Guardsman

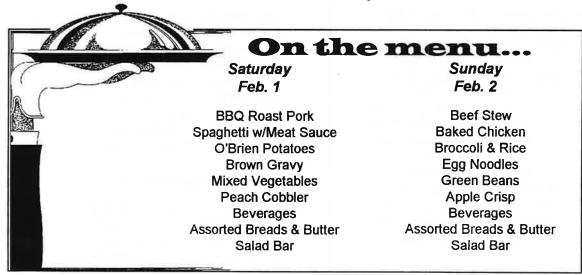
Price releases 4th album

Doug Price is a busy man. He's first sergeant for the Civil Engineer Squadron and he runs his own plumbing business. But, when he does have some spare time, he's busier than ever—singing and producing his own albums.

And he's just released his fourth—"Runnin' Man"—on cassette and compact disc. "I'm very

proud of this project and many people are saying this is my best album. There is a lot of variety on it, from blues, jazz and country to adult contemporary and rock," Price said. "All 10 songs are originals. This album has a totally different sound that I believe people will enjoy."

Anyone wishing to buy a copy of Price's new album may call him at ext. 6363.



VaANG bowlers compete at regional

A dozen bowlers from the Virginia Air National

Guard competed in the 1996 Northeast Regional Air Guard Bowling Tournament in Burlington, Vt., Oct. 12-13, 1996.

The two-day tourney brought together 80 teams from the District of Columbia and the 13 states in the region stretching from Virginia to Maine and out to Ohio. The three teams from Virginia competed in singles, doubles, team and all-around competition.



The event is held each year over Columbus

Day weekend. The host for each year's event rotates among Air Guard units in the northeast region. This year's tourney was hosted by the 158th Fighter Wing, Vermont Air National Guard.

High scorers for Virginia included Vicki and (Ret) Bo Johnson and SSgt John Reisigl, 192d Maintenance.

The 1997 regional bowling tourney is set for Oct. 11-12 in York, Penn.

(Information courtesy of TSgt (Ret) Michael Coleman)

Fans, players enjoy basketball game

Army Guard edges out Air Guard by 1 point

The Virginia Air Guard and Army Guard met on the basketball court Jan. 11 as a fundraiser activity for the upcoming African-American Banquet, and in the end the Army Guard walked away winners of the game with a scant 1 point lead.

The final score was 53-52, for the Army Guard team. Army quickly amassed a 10 point lead after the game began. They had a definite height advantage and dominated rebounding throughout the game. At one point Army led by 14 points (41-27).

But the Air Guard team was quick and wiry. Air Guardsman Thomas "T.O." Williams netted his team's first 5 points. Late in the game, Michael "Ike" Rawlings and Darryl Hart rallied Air Guard, and with 15 seconds left in the game,

cut Army Guard's lead to 1 point. The fans were in a frenzy. Army then missed a free throw opportunity and Air Guard rebounded with 12 seconds remaining—and an opportunity to win the game. But the ball rimmed out at the buzzer and Army prevailed by the narrowest margin.

Lead scorers for Army included Henry Dabney with 22 points and Phil Brashear scoring 14 points. Air Guard high scorers were Rawlings with 15 points to his credit and Williams bringing in 12 points.

Event organizers declared the event a success. "Fans and players—everyone had a great time, and we made money to support the upcoming banquet," they said. Indeed, the teams enjoyed themselves so much there is already talk about a rechallenge.

Office moves in Bldg 3652 underway

Several office moves have taken place in the Wing Headquarters building (#3652) since the January drill.

LtCols Ralph Barker and Bill Schwart have moved into the Support Group commander's office, Rm 8A. Support Group executive officer, Capt James Parker has moved into Rm 8B. Safety Office staff has moved to Rm 6 and Social Actions has moved to Rm 7. The wing historian, TSgt Ed Kelleher has moved to Rm 5. LtCol Robert Pemberton, wing exec officer, and CMSgt Jim Stanley, the new wing senior enlisted advisor, are located in Rm 4. The new wing first sergeant's office will also be in Rm 4. The quality advisor's office and the new computer training room are now found at the very end of the hallway in an as yet un-numbered office (where PDO was formerly located). Everyone is keeping their former phone numbers.

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