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## Clinton changes Manual for Courts-Martial

President Bill Clinton recently signed an executive order making four significant changes to the Manual for Courts-Martial.

The new rules are designed to bring the military court system in line with changes made in federal laws in recent years, according to Air Force Col. Robert Reed, associated deputy general counsel in the Office of the General Counsel. The changes will be effective for any crimes committed after Nov. 1. The four changes:

- Allow evidence to be presented during the sentencing phase of a trial that a violent crime was a hate crime.

- Provide special protections and procedures for cases in which there are allegations of child abuse and children are called to testify.

- Provide that most statements between a patient and psychotherapist are privileged and cannot be entered into evidence.

- Create the offense of "reckless endangerment" as a crime under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Reed said the changes have been under consideration since 1997 and are the result of annual Department of Defense-level reviews of the Manual for Courts-Martial. The Manual for Courts-Martial is the guiding force for prosecuting crimes in the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

The reviews are conducted by the Joint Service Committee on Military Justice. The committee includes a representative from each service, DOD's Office of the General Counsel and a member from the Court of Appeals of the Armed Services. After a

lengthy review process, drafting of proposed changes and coordination with other federal agencies, the changes are then submitted to the president for his approval, Reed explained.

Reed said the hate crimes provision specifically states that a judge may consider whether an offense was "motivated by the victim's race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation" when weighing punishment for a violent crime.

"Federal sentencing guidelines include this provision and we thought it was appropriate the military court system include it as well," he said. "During the sentencing phase of trial,

prosecutors will now be able to present evidence that the crime was a hate crime in hopes of obtaining a stiffer penalty."

The special protection for children allows them to testify from a remote location, usually using a two-way closed-circuit television system. Reed said this is not an automatic protection, but will be determined by judges on a case-by-case basis.

"This protection is most likely to come into play when a judge determines that a child who was a victim of abuse would have difficulty testifying in front of the accused or would be traumatized by the event," Reed explained.

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### 192d Fighter Wing returns from Air Warrior during the November Drill



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Commander's Call

# Year of the Enlisted Force events meaningful, memorable

Virginia's Year of The Enlisted Force celebration was a great success! More than 55 runners participated in the 5k run and approximately 150 people attended the banquet and dance. The individuals who planned these events did a great job; and it was fantastic to see the number of people who turned out for each of these events!

There is so much we owe to our enlisted force. I want to start by saying, thank you! Thank you for your **patriotism**. Patriotism is love of one's country — love of the land, love of the people, pride in our history and devotion to our nation's safety and welfare.

Thank you for being a **volunteer** soldier — one who serves with a sense of duty and moral obligation. Our enlisted members are all too often our unsung heroes. Your purpose for serving this country is not for power, prestige, or glory, and certainly not for wealth. Your purpose is noble — one guided by love of country and love and concern for your family and community.

Thank you for your **personal commitment** to protect and defend this country. That's an awesome pledge. We're talking about a willingness to give your life, if necessary, in the defense of this country. Few other professions require such a commitment. There are a few — policemen and firemen are a couple that come to mind. You are part of an elite group dedicated to protecting this nation's freedom at any cost. This is the essence of military service. A willingness to make supreme sacrifices. Putting the needs of the country ahead of your own.

This is not unprecedented; it's been done by every generation since the founding of this country's National

Guard in 1633. For over 363 years, enlisted members have made this commitment. More than 1.3 million American men and women have made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom since the Revolutionary War in 1775.

Thank you for your **service** to this country. Thank you for helping the less fortunate in our communities. Thank you for encouraging children to read. Thank you for bringing pride and joy to the mentally challenged through the Special Olympics. Thank you for creating a special memory for troubled youth by sponsoring their prom. Thank you for bringing happiness to underprivileged children at Christmas. Thank you for teaching our children about fire and bicycle safety. Thank you for supporting activities for our families and employers. Thank you for your kindness and generosity in supporting unit members who experience personal tragedies.

Thank you for your **indomitable spirit** — a spirit of patriotism, service, sacrifice and love. Because of you, the world is a better and safer place. I salute you and I am very proud to be your commander.



Col. Stephen R. Hicks

*Editor's note: On the facing page is a copy of the Year of the Enlisted Force proclamation signed by Virginia Governor James S. Gilmore, III, to honor the Commonwealth's Air National Guard enlisted members. The proclamation was approved by the state legislature and officially presented to the base earlier this year by The Honorable Jay Katzen, state delegate from the 31st District.*

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# CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

## THE YEAR OF THE ENLISTED FORCE

**WHEREAS**, the enlisted men and women of the Virginia Air National Guard have rendered diligent, faithful and outstanding service to the people of our great Commonwealth and nation for more than half a century; and

**WHEREAS**, during the past fifty-one years, the enlisted men and women of the Virginia Air National Guard have supported the Berlin Airlift, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Desert Shield, Operation Provide Comfort in northern Iraq and reconnaissance missions for the United Nations and NATO forces in Bosnia; and

**WHEREAS**, the dedicated efforts of the enlisted men and women of the Virginia Air National Guard throughout these years have been recognized through the bestowal of numerous awards, including two outstanding unit awards; and


**WHEREAS**, the establishment of realistic long-term goals by the senior enlisted leadership, along with an emphasis upon charting the future, have ensured the viability of the Virginia Air National Guard well into the twenty-first century; and

**WHEREAS**, Major General Paul A. Weaver, Jr., the Director of the Air National Guard, has designated 1999 as "The Year of the Enlisted Force," in commemoration of their courageous service;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, James S. Gilmore, III, do hereby recognize 1999 as **THE YEAR OF THE ENLISTED FORCE** in the **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



  
Governor

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth



## YOTEF 5k run brings out the troops

Who's got the fastest 5K team in the Virginia Air National Guard? You might have to wait till next year to find out. This year it's a toss-up.

In an October showdown billed as the YOTEF (Year of the Enlisted Force) 5K, the Galloping Horsemen from the 203rd Red Horse Squadron walked away with the team trophy. But the DataBus drivers from the 192nd Communications Flight say they were the real champs. They might have a point.

At one point during the race, a course marshal inadvertently misdirected some of the lead runners into the woods. By the time they connected again with the main pack, they had run an extra half-mile or so, and that complicated the race results.

It took a gentlemanlike arbitration session involving the top 15 finishers to figure out who should have finished in what order. Times had to be adjusted down in some cases to subtract the extra time that the diverted runners spent on the unplanned portion of the course.

More than 55 runners set out at the start of the 3.1-mile race, and Doc Dates, husband of 192nd Fighter Wing First Sergeant Susanne Dates and a late entry on the Fighter Wing team, crossed the finish line first. He was

followed (officially) by Rick Green of the 203rd's Galloping Horsemen and Daniel Read, who was running unaffiliated.

Colleen Chipper of the 203rd was determined to have run the fastest woman's time, followed by Tamara Ellis of the Comm Flight's DataBus team and Tangel Davis of Sherry Hankins' Munitions team.

So far, so good. But the team results were being compiled about the time the top 15 finishers were being sorted out, and the finish-line card of the DataBus' Rob Mitchell, overall the No. 8 finisher, was not counted in the team standings. The Galloping Horsemen were proclaimed the top team, followed by DataBus and the Red Horse's other team.

The next day, the results were tabulated again, this time with Mitchell's card figured in, and DataBus ended up 3 points ahead of the Galloping Horsemen. But the team trophy was already safely ensconced at Camp Pendleton in Virginia Beach.

The top three male and female finishers each received a trophy and a medallion. Members of the top three teams also received medallions, as did the top three finishers in each age group.

The children's quarter-mile fun

run was easier to figure out. The winner's last name was Thomas. So was the runner-up's. And the third-place finisher's. And the fourth-place. All four entries were the children of Rob Thomas, a member of the National Guard's elite marathon team and a co-director of the YOTEF 5K.

### Top 15 male finishers (and unofficial times):

1. Doc Dates, 20:10
2. Rick Green, 20:20
3. Daniel Read, 20:30
4. Tim Taylor, 20:40
5. Anthony Buyalos, 21:00
6. James Clark, 21:15
7. Rob Mitchell, 21:25
8. Gary Crump, 21:30
9. Frank Helander, 22:30
10. Jerry Hill, 23:09
11. Charles Hughes, 23:15
12. Terry Haswell, 23:52
13. Jay Ellis, 23:59
14. J.B. Frazier, 24:09
15. Eli Hankins, 24:16

### Top 10 female finishers:

1. Colleen Chipper, 20:55
2. Tamara Ellis, 21:45
3. Tangel Davis, 22:00
4. Melissa Spangler, 25:50
5. Arlessa Gray, 28:21

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6. Jodi Warren-Michal, 29:10
7. Susanne Dates, 29:36
8. Colleen Kennedy, 31:02
9. Theresa Wolfe, 34:31
10. Sherry Hankins, 38:46

**Age group winners:**

**(Do not include overall men's and women's winners)**

Women 15-19

1. Tamara Ellis

Men 20-29

1. Anthony Buyalos
2. James Clark
3. Rob Mitchell

Women 20-29

1. Melissa Spangler
2. Colleen Kennedy

Men 30-39

1. Tim Taylor
2. Charles Hughes
3. Terry Haswell

Women 30-39

1. Arlessa Gray
2. Jodi Warren-Michal
3. Theresa Wolfe

Men 40-49

1. Gary Crump
2. Jay Ellis
3. Warren Desper

Women 40-49

1. Susanne Dates

Men 50-59

1. Frank Helander
2. Jerry Hill
3. Vaughan Jones

Women 50-59

1. Toni Vincent

Youth Fun Run

1. Jeremy Thomas, 1:37
2. Brittany Thomas, 1:43
3. Lynnette Thomas, 1:46
4. Timothy Thomas, 2:57

The race organizers would like to thank several organizations in the

Newport News-Hampton area that donated prizes given out while the results were being tabulated:

- Pierce's Pit Bar-B-Que
- Schlotzsky's Deli
- El Mariachi
- Just For Feet
- Bally's Total Fitness
- Hooters
- Contes Bicycle & Fitness Equipment

In addition, volunteers who played key roles in staging the race included: SMSgt. Skip Springer, SMSgt. Lisa Hernandez, MSgt. Rob Thomas and Patti Thomas, TSgt. Ed Kelleher and members of the 192d Fire Department and 192d Services Flight.

*Doc Dates finished first (center, right), followed by Rick Green and Daniel Read. For the women, Colleen Chipper (center, left) finished first, followed by Tamara Ellis and Tangela Davis.*





## *Providing services, ministry of presence*

# Chapel staff working to meet your spiritual needs



Chaplain (Capt.) David Kelley (l. to r.), Father John Blankenship and Chaplain (Maj.) Charles Smith sit around the table in the base Chaplain's office. They are flanked by support staff TSgt. Jerome Wade (l. to

r.), MSgt. Brenda Kirby and SSgt. Dannie Burgess. (See story about Chaplain Smith on the next page). Photo by MSgt. Carlos Claudio, Combat Visual Information.

You won't find a fancy steeple or a large bell to ring at the 192d Fighter Wing Chapel office, but you will find a great group of devoted people who put God and people's spiritual needs at the top of their list. And, they promise no need is too big or too small.

One of the needs they attend to on drill weekend is to arrange church services for Virginia Air Guard members. The mission of the Chaplain Section is to provide an opportunity for the religious expression and moral growth of base personnel and their relationship with God and one another.

Because of the many different denominations found in a military unit, the 192d Chaplain's office schedules a Catholic mass at 9 a.m. on drill weekend Saturdays. A non-denominational worship service is held at 8 a.m. on drill weekend Sundays. Both

services take place in the Base Chapel, Wing Headquarters (building 3652) Room 12, directly across from the Chaplain's office.

Besides monthly services, Chaplain (Maj.) Charles Smith, 192d FW chaplain, stresses the importance of the chaplain staff's role as being a ministry of presence. "Our ministry of presence is very important," he explained. "We want to visit people in the workplace and let everyone know we are always here and available. We try to stay very active and keep our presence known."

Knowing that the chaplains and the chapel staff are always available can be comforting and provide base members with a sense of reassurance, especially with the demands the military can put on individuals and their families. It is not uncommon to

see chaplains in the field, on deployments, or sitting with a unit member during times of personal or professional crisis.

"We're here to help," added Chaplain (Capt.) David Kelley. "We are available for counseling, and in the event of a crisis we help wherever we can be of service."

Chaplain Smith added, "People can always come to us with their confidential needs and we'll act as advocates for them. We respect and support each individual's religious rights."

Several people make up the 192d Chaplain's office. In addition to Chaplains Smith and Kelley, there is Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James A. Knuth, a 192d Fighter Wing chaplain who

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# Chaplain Smith returns to VaANG

It's not unusual to welcome new faces to the 192d Fighter Wing. But one new face says he's glad to be back! And the unit is glad to have him back, too! Chaplain (Maj.) Charlie Smith recently rejoined the 192d chaplain's staff.

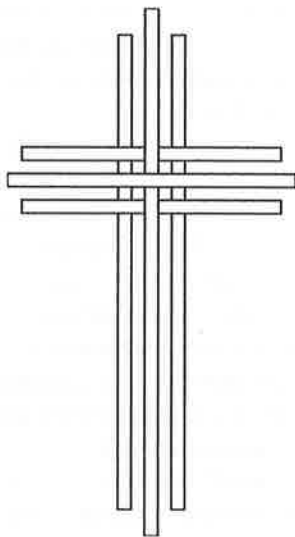
"This unit is like home to me," Smith said, after returning to the 192d in August--after nine years with the Kentucky ANG. "I was with the Virginia ANG from 1985 -1988. I hated to leave and I'm glad to be back! I would like to retire in this area."

Chaplain Smith, who hopes to land a job as a Veteran's Administration Hospital chaplain in Hampton, Va., plans to retire from the Guard in a few years, but not until he's met as many people here as he can. "I want to see and greet people on a daily basis and hope they will come to see me," he said. After meeting him and enjoying his sense of humor, the chaplain should be easy to remember.

Chaplain Smith's career began in 1967 as chaplain's assistant in the Army. Following his Army stint, Chaplain Smith left to attend seminary

college for four years. After graduation he headed to his first parish near a Marine base in Cherry Point, N.C., and then a second parish near the naval air station in Memphis, Tenn.

The chaplain also served as a part-



time volunteer chaplain for a VA hospital in Memphis and at a VA hospital in Tampa, Fla. When he transferred to the Richmond VA hospital to work, he joined the Virginia Air National Guard and worked for the 192d for three years.

"Then I traveled again in 1988," Chaplain Smith recounted. "The VA sent me to Dublin, Ga., and I went to work for the Florida ANG. Then I received a full time chaplain's position with the VA in Cincinnati, Ohio, and spent nine years with the Kentucky ANG."

Most of the chaplain's military experience is with the Kentucky ANG. He said he went through a lot of crisis intervention training while with the Kentucky unit. "I went to Oklahoma City when the federal building was bombed and have been at the scene of many crashes and floods," Smith said.

One of the chaplain's hardest, yet most memorable Air Guard experiences was when a Kentucky ANG C-130 crashed in 1992. "Twelve people died in that crash, but the way the Guard all pulled together for this tragic accident is something I will never forget," he recounted.

For anyone who wishes to meet the newest base chaplain, Smith's door is always open. The chaplain can be found in the Wing Headquarters building, Room 13, or reached at ext. 6387.

## Chapel staff working to meet your spiritual needs...

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ministers to the 203d Red Horse Flight. MSgt. Brenda Kirby is the noncommissioned officer in charge (NCOIC) of Chaplain Service Support; and TSgt. Jerome Wade and SSgt. Dannie Burgess, Jr., round out the enlisted staff.

"Our Chaplain Service Support people are great," Chaplain Smith said. "They help keep our office together and make us look good. They're indispensable."

According to Sergeant Kirby, besides helping the chaplains with day-to-day activities, they also help to ready the office for immediate mobilization. "We're asked to deploy at the

drop of a hat," she explained.

Kirby and the rest of the office staff are currently excited about new equipment they've recently received to use on deployments. The new deployment kit includes a laptop computer, DVD player, digital camera, videophone and a color printer.

"While on deployments, the videophone will allow us to see the people we are talking to back home. This can be a real morale booster for people on long deployments," Kirby explained. "We're excited about the new equipment and what we'll be able to do with it."

Whether on deployment or at home at the 192d, the Chaplain's office

always has religious materials and other types of pamphlets and brochures available for reading. Scriptures are available and so are Bibles. "No matter what religion you are, we can provide you with reading material and help you with worship," Chaplain Kelley said. "Our door is always open."

Chaplain Smith ended, "The bottom line is we want people to know this is home for them. We will always be there."

To contact Chaplain's office staff, call ext. 6387 or visit them in the Wing Headquarters building, Room 13. Be prepared to enjoy coffee and donuts!

both stories by SrA. Ann Martin  
Public Affairs office

# Legal office provides advice, services

Legal — also often referred to as the “JAG”— an acronym currently popularized by the TV network show of the same name. JAG stands for Judge Advocate General; however, the Air Force generally refers to its legal officers as staff judge advocate. Their primary responsibility is to represent the commander and advise commanders and military personnel on legal issues. They have a responsibility to all guard members to ensure that legal assistance is available.

Issues concerning marriage, divorce and financial responsibility are handled on a regular basis in the Legal office. According to Maj. Regina Y. Kane, assistant staff judge advocate, preparing Wills represents the Legal office's largest activity on drill weekends, followed by filing Power of Attorney documents.

The Legal office is a staunch advocate of re-employment rights and as part of their duties they uphold the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act (SSCRA). The SSCRA gives all service persons several important rights as they enter active duty. A pamphlet, available in the Legal office details the loan reduction to 6% on active loans, procedures and requirements on breaking leases, stays and delays on civil court cases while on active duty, civilian health coverage and state income tax issues.

Reemployment rights are found in the Legal office pamphlet of the Uniformed Services and Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA). USERRA is a federal law which gives members and former members of the U.S. armed forces (active and reserves) the right to go back to a civilian job they held before

military service. The pamphlet lists the five criteria required by USERRA, which must be met by a service member wanting to protect their job.

--You must have a permanent job.

--You must provide advance notice that you are going on active duty.

--You can be gone from your job a total of five years (cumulative).

--You must receive an honorable or general discharge.

--You must return to work promptly.

Additional job protection information is listed in the pamphlet as well. These protections range from prompt reinstatement, seniority, training and other accommodations, protection against discharge other than for cause, anti-discrimination based on military service and others. Contact your Legal office or the U.S. Department of Defense National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (NCESGR) ombudsmen for more information on these issues. Call 1-800-336-4590 or visit their web

site at [www.ncesgr.osd.mil/](http://www.ncesgr.osd.mil/).

The Legal office provides members with other very important services such as counsel in military justice issues. The defense advocate assists guard members who could face judicial or non-judicial issues, to include discharges, demotions, Uniform Code of Military Justice charges, preparing statements and representation during discharge boards. If a civil matter besets a guard member, Legal office staff will make referrals generally to the Lawyer Referral Service.

Legal also assists in unit mobility preparation. Are all your important personal documents up to date? What is the legal climate at the deployment site? What are the off-base laws? The does and don'ts? The Legal office can help. Schedule some time to visit them and pick up the pamphlet, “What Every Military Family Should Know About Wills.”

Check out the base Legal office today — building 3652, room 10, or call exts. 6494 or 6498.



SSgt. Tonya King (l. to r.), Asst. SJA Maj. Regina Kane and base Staff Judge Advocate Lt. Col. Clyde Mathews make up the base Legal staff. The Legal office currently has a paralegal specialist vacancy. Photo by MSgt. Carlos Claudio, Combat Visual Information.





Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James A. Knuth is assigned to the 192d Fighter Wing but drills with the 203d Red Horse Flight. He has served the geographically separated unit since 1992--first as a Wisconsin Air Guard member under a special agreement with the Virginia Adjutant General's office and more recently as a member of the 192d. For more about the 192d Chapel program, see pages 6-7. In addition to spiritual ministering, the 192d also provides Legal assistance to the 203d. Maj. Regina Kane, assistant staff judge advocate (page 8), spent the last couple years drilling with the 203d. Now she spends one day at the 203d and one day with the 192d.

## Billeting Reminder

Due to the 192d Services Flight office move, changes have been made to the monthly Billeting sign-up procedure. These changes went into effect during the October drill. Billeting sign up now takes place in the new Services Flight office, room. 8, building 3652. Billeting is open during Unit Training Assembly Saturdays from 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. and on UTA Sundays from 7 a.m.-2 p.m. On both days Billeting is closed from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. for lunch.

Billeting sign up no longer take place in the dining facility. All room reservations must be made at the Services Flight Billeting counter. Reservations via phone calls will be accepted until 2 p.m. on drill Sundays, but no later.

## On the Menu

### Saturday Nov. 6

Swiss Steak  
Baked Chicken  
Mashed Potatoes w/gravy  
Mixed Vegetables  
Fried Rice  
Short Order Line  
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs  
Cheeseburgers, Pizza  
French Fried Potatoes  
Salad Bar w/Asst'd Dressings  
Breads & Butter  
Beverages  
Ice Cream  
Yellow Cake w/Icing

### Sunday Nov. 7

**Thanksgiving Meal**  
Roast Turkey, Giblet Gravy  
Baked Ham w/sauce  
Mashed Potatoes  
Candied Yams  
Bread Dressing, Hot Rolls  
Green Beans  
Cranberry Sauce  
Salad Bar w/Assorted Dressings  
Hot Rolls & Butter  
Beverages  
Pumpkin Pie, Pecan Pie  
Sweet Potato Pie, Fruit Cake  
Ice Cream

# News you can use...

## VISA Gov't travel card becomes mandatory

Use of the Bank of America (Nations Bank) VISA Government Travel Card will become mandatory next year, according to the base Finance office.

Reimbursement for travel related expenses on or after Dec. 31 will require use of the Government Travel Card, according to Maj. Michael Woody, base comptroller.

The DOD Comptroller will release new implementation guidance on Public Law 105-264, the Travel and Transportation Reform Act of 1998 (TTRA) as soon as it is received. The DOD Comptroller's office strongly encourages all military members to visit their base Finance office and fill out the paperwork to apply for the Government Travel Card prior to 1 January 2000.

Any member, who does not authorize Bank of America to perform a credit check, will be issued a restricted card. This means that only the Agency Program Coordinator (APC) can activate your card and the card is limited to an ATM cash maximum of \$200 and a total credit charge amount of \$1,000.

## Gen. Weaver encourages participation in survey

"I need your support for the 1999 Air National Guard Survey being administered during the November and December drills," says Maj. Gen. Paul Weaver, ANG director. "In order for us to obtain valid data, it is critical that everyone in your unit completes the survey."

The Human Resources Quality Board was chartered to analyze policies, plans, programs and practices, then recommend changes to increase mission readiness in the Air National Guard. These changes will focus on workforce diversity and assuring fair and equitable participation for all. In

addition, the results of this survey will give the ANG baseline data needed to begin measuring Air Guard progress towards diversity, according to General Weaver.

The survey is designed to work on the base Local Area Network (LAN), and takes only 5-10 minutes to complete. Comprehensive reports will be available at national and state/wing levels immediately after it is completed.

"Every ANG member has a stake in this survey and its outcome," General Weaver points out. "Please ensure each member is afforded the opportunity to take the survey. My hope is that each Air National Guard unit will meet or exceed the Air Force goal of 85 percent participation in this survey."

The 1999 Air National Guard diversity survey has been sent to all ANG State and Wing units. The survey will be conducted electronically during the November and December drills.

## Refunds available for banquet goers who didn't get dinner

Due to a large number of last minute ticket sales, a small number of individuals attending the Year of the Enlisted Force banquet didn't get dinner, according to MSgt. Toni Vincent, Security Forces first sergeant and event co-planner.

Anyone who didn't get dinner may see MSgt. Sherry Hankins, Aircraft Maintenance Sq. first sergeant about a ticket refund. Call 1stSgt. Hankins at ext. 6377 for more information.

## Editor apologizes for incorrect directions

The Vanguard editor apologizes for the incorrect directions to the Ft. Lee Officers' Club printed in last month's Vanguard.

I always try to "drive" directions before I run them in the paper, but last month I ran out of time due to civilian job requirements. I, like several other base members, realized they were incorrect when I found myself lost on Ft. Lee. I am sorry for any inconveniences caused by the error.

I won't run directions in the future unless I have indeed driven them.

*Capt. Debbie Magaldi*

## Volunteers needed to help with upcoming ChalleNGe proms

The VaANG State Headquarters staff is looking for individuals or duty sections willing to help with one ChalleNGe prom party each year.

Two proms take place each year--one in December and the other in June. The parties are held for each Commonwealth ChalleNGe class--approximately one week before they graduate. The parties take place in Hurt Hall at the State Military Reservation, Virginia Beach, Va., and always begin at 7 p.m. on a Saturday.

Volunteers are needed to help with hall decorating, food preparation, cadet photos, a souvenir party program and clean up. The parties are funded by donations from the State enlisted and officer National Guard Associations.

The next party is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 11. A prom planning meeting is set for Sunday, Nov. 7 at 3 p.m. in the State Headquarters. Guard family members are also invited to help with these events.

Call MSgt. Beth Martin, ext. 6014 for more information or to volunteer. "It's a great way to meet other Air Guard members, have a nice time, develop great party-planning skills and give the cadets a much deserved pat-on-the-back for turning their lives around," Martin said. "Join us in this fun, worthwhile project."

## Clinton signs changes to Manual for Courts-Martial...

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In addition, instead of the child testifying from a remote location, the change also allows for the defendant to be excused from the trial while the child is testifying. But Reed emphasized that the request must come from the defendant. "Both avenues are designed to reduce the possibility of further trauma to children and are similar to provisions applied in most civilian courts," Reed said.

The protection for communication between a patient and psychotherapist is an extension of other communication protections already recognized by the military court system. "The military recognizes a privilege for communication between attorneys and clients, clergyman and clients and husbands and wives," Reed said. "But up to now there hasn't been one for those seeking psychotherapy."

He emphasized that the protection is limited to psychotherapist-client communication that might be entered into courts-martial proceedings. "This is really intended as a victim's rights protection," he explained. The goal, he said, was to give crime victims the freedom to seek psychological counseling without concern that what they discussed would be brought out in court.

There is no privilege for routine psychotherapist-client communication that could affect administrative actions. Other exceptions include:

- When the communication is evidence of spouse or child abuse and neglect, or when one spouse is charged with a crime against the other.

- When a psychotherapist believes the patient's mental or emotional condition makes the patient a danger to any person, including the patient.

- When the communication indicates the patient is considering committing a crime in the future.

- When necessary to ensure the safety and security of military personnel, family members, property, classified information or the accomplishment of military missions.

"While recognizing there are unique circumstances in which confidentiality should prevail, this change also recognizes the special needs of the military and our obligation to protect national security," Reed said.

The addition of "reckless endangerment" as an offense of the Uniform Code of Military Justice stems from a case involving an HIV-positive service member charged with having unsafe sex with others. "In that case, there wasn't any one offense under the UCMJ that fit the circumstances," Reed said. "Based upon that case this offense was added, recognizing that there might be other scenarios in which people act recklessly and place people in danger of death or grievous bodily harm.

Under this change, Reed said that a prosecutor will not have to prove that harm or injury took place, only that the defendant acted in a way to place a person in jeopardy of being harmed or injured. It is an offense also found in most state criminal codes. (AFPN)

## 192d FW drill schedule & VaANG Calendar of Events

### November

**6-7: UTA** (Should pay NLT Nov. 19)

**11: Veterans Day**

**21-27: National American-Indian Week**

### December

**4-5: UTA** (Should pay NLT Dec. 17)

**11: ChalleNGe prom, State Military Reservation, Virginia Beach.** Call MSgt. Beth Martin, ext. 6014 to help.

### January 2000

**8-9: UTA**

### February

**12-13: UTA**

### March

**11-12: UTA**

**25-26: UTA**

**Dates To Be Announced (TBA):** Enlisted Virginia Guard Association Conference

### April

**8-9: UTA**

**28-30: Virginia Guard Association Officers' Conference, Hampton, Va.,** hosted by 192d FW

### May

No Drill weekend.

**13-26: Annual Field Training at home station**

### June

**10-11: UTA**

### July

No UTA scheduled

**15 July-31 Aug: Contingency Deployment to SWA**

### August

**26-27: UTA**

**19-23: Enlisted Association (EANGUS) National Conference, Bismark, N.D.**

### September

**9-10: UTA**

**12-19: National Guard Association (NGAUS) 121st General Conference in Atlantic City, N.J.**

**23-24: UTA**

### October

**14-15: UTA**

**12-17: Unit Compliance Inspection (UCI)**

This calendar reflects the drill/annual training schedule of the 192d Fighter Wing, and includes other VaANG events. If you have an event you would like to add to the calendar, call Public Affairs at ext. 6388, or visit the PA office during drill weekends (Wing Headquarters building, room 30 -- across from the Recruiters' offices).

## AAFES recalls Scrub-Free shower products

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service, in conjunction with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and Benckiser Consumer Products Inc. of Greenwich, Conn., is voluntarily recalling bottles of Scrub-Free Daily Shower Cleaner and Scrub-Free Daily Shower Spray that could contain a bacteria.

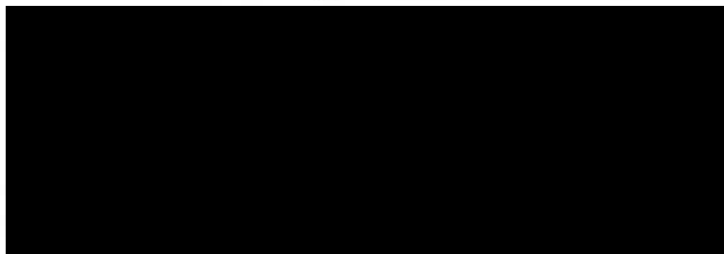
The bacteria poses little or no threat to a healthy individual, according to the CPSC, but could cause respiratory or other infections in someone with a chronic health problem or impaired immune system. Benckiser hasn't received reports of injury associated with the bacteria in the products.

Customers should stop using the cleaners immediately if they were bought before Oct. 5. Also, showers that have been sprayed with the product should be washed with a diluted solution of vinegar. Either of these two products purchased after Oct. 5, and Scrub-Free Mildew Remover and Scrub-Free Soap Scum Remover aren't included in this recall.

Stateside customers should call Benckiser at (800) 286-9055 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. EST, weekdays to receive a coupon for a free replacement bottle of any Scrub-Free product. (AFPN)

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