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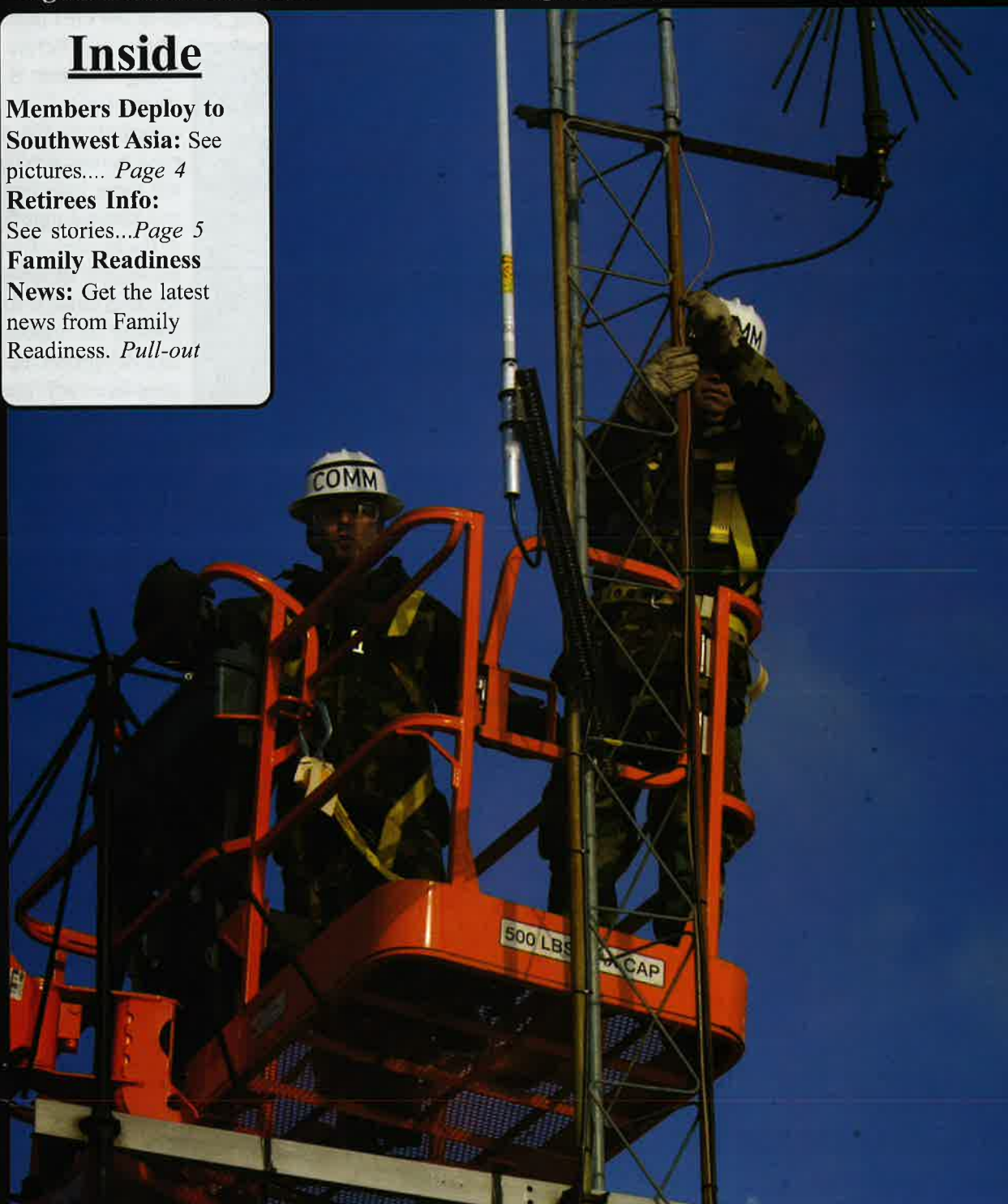
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Photos by MSgt Carlos Claudio



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192d FW Communications specialists adjust securing straps to a radio antenna during an Operational Readiness Exercise (ORE) January 4-9, 2005.

I would like to thank all the members of the Wing for their efforts during the recent ORE. Our performance covered a wide spectrum but the resolve and hard work displayed by all was consistent throughout the organization. I come away from the January drill knowing that people care about doing well and are resolute and focused on

improvement. I think the key to getting a good grade on the ORI can be found in the words of Sister Catherine, my fourth grade teacher at St. Mary's Elementary in Goldsboro, North Carolina. She was talking about our elementary school rendition of the play *South Pacific* when she said, "Practice doesn't make perfect. Perfect practice makes perfect."

While I am not sure that we have to be perfect, I do believe that Sister Catherine captured the essence of the general concept: you have to practice doing it right before the big show or the odds of getting it right when it counts are slim.

With that in mind we are going to do another ORE during the first drill in March. It will be our 3rd full ORE in the last 7 months so I have high expectations that all parts of the 192nd FW will move in sync and provide a final good practice before the ORI scheduled two weeks later.

Along with helping us achieve a good grade on this inspection there

are two other very valuable benefits that fall out of this long and arduous endeavor. The first is quite straightforward. By exercising the processes for preparation and execution of a deployment we improve in the Wing's ability to do so if called on by our AEF tasking. Second, and I think equally important, is the team building aspect of the ORI preparation.

I have said before that modern combat is a team sport. Units from different combat arms and even across service lines are more interdependent and melded together than in the history of the profession of arms. Modern combat has also created increased interdependencies within units like our Fighter Wing, making team work crucial to mission success. The best teams are built under pressure and, even though there is pressure in our day-to-day jobs, it is not as acute or as pervasive

as it is during an ORI. These exercises and inspections, by their nature, quickly exacerbate team weakness and force people to work together to overcome obstacles and reach common objectives. The primary after effect of the ORI then will be a unit that is more cohesive and better able to accomplish its mission.

I'll close by again saying thank you. We have a long way to go but the "can do" attitude I saw displayed during the January ORE makes me confident we can get there.

Sincerely,

Colonel Pete Bonanni
Wing Commander



Photo by MSgt Carlos Claudio
Airmen from the 192d FW work together to load a truck with deployment bags during Jan ORE.

The Privilege and Honor of Love - by Ch(Maj) Tom Kirles



Confusion surrounds exactly who St Valentine was. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, at least three Saint Valentines are mentioned in the early martyrologies under the date of 14 February. In the city of Rome in the years around 270AD there lived an Emperor named Claudius the Cruel. When wars broke out in the Roman Empire, the married men as well as the single courtiers were unwilling to go.

This infuriated Claudius so much that he ordered that no marriages should be celebrated and that all engagements must be broken off immediately. This saddened the priest Valentine who proceeded to secretly continued to perform marriages in spite of the order by the Emperor. Valentine became the "friend of lovers" in every district of Rome. Eventually, Valentine's good deeds were discovered by Claudius who had him dragged away from the temple and cast into the dungeon where he died. It was the year 270AD on the 14th of February.

Another story says that Valentine was one of the early Christians in those far-away days when that meant danger and death. For helping some Christian martyrs he was seized, dragged before the Prefect of Rome and cast into jail. There he cured the keeper's daughter of blindness. When the cruel emperor learned of this miracle he gave orders that Valentine should be beheaded. The morning of the execution, he is said to have sent the keeper's daughter a farewell message signed, "From your Valentine."

After Christianity was firmly established the priests wanted the people to forget the old heathen gods. But they did not wish to do away with all their feasts and sports. So they kept the Lupercalia and called it Valentine's Day.

During the medieval days of chivalry, the names of English maidens and bachelors were put into the box and drawn out in pairs. Each couple exchanged gifts. The girl became the man's valentine for that year. On his sleeve he wore her name and it was his bounded duty to attend and protect her. This old, old custom of drawing names on the fourteenth of February was considered a good omen for love. It often foretold a wedding. For since the beginning of things this has been lovers' day, a time for loving, for giving and receiving love tokens. (Adapted from Crew's Nest Holidays and Celebrations)

February is the month we celebrate "Love." Special cards, letters, heart shaped boxed chocolates, e-cards, hugs and kisses offer a special portrait of affections for our significant other. Sadly for some, the experience most likely will last only for a day or two. Trust, integrity, honor, closeness, and intimacy tend to elude many who desperately desire it. Godly agape love illustrates a very distinctive portrait different from what society paints. It is not "love because, or "love if", but "Love with no strings or conditions." Interestingly the Bible defines what "TRUE LOVE" is:

"Love never gives up. Love cares more for others than for self. Love doesn't want what it doesn't have. Love doesn't strut, Doesn't have a swelled head, Doesn't force itself on others, Isn't always "me first," Doesn't fly off the handle, Doesn't keep score of the sins of others, Doesn't revel when others grovel, Takes pleasure in the flowering of truth, Puts up with anything, Trusts God always, Always looks for the best, Never looks back, But keeps going to the end. Love never dies." (1 Corinthians 13:4-8 *The Message*)

Check it out for yourself and read the entire Chapter sometime. You will discover, as I have, that **Real Love** should be without hypocrisy, genuine, full, complete, expecting nothing in return. It is intriguing that this appears to be what we need to do in the process of living out our **Air Force CORE VALUES** of "Integrity First...Putting Service (others) Before Self...and Excellence in ALL We Do."
Happy Valentine's Day!

News You Can Use

Clothing Issue will be closed Sat Feb 5. It will be open All day Sun (07:00-16:00). This is for FEB UTA only.

Black History month celebration

Date: February 17, 2005 - Thursday
Location: Ft Pickett, Officers Club
Time: 1030 hours
Guest Speaker: Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Mark R. Warner, Mr. Maurice Jones
All are invited. Dress: Civilian or Uniform of the Day

Women's History month celebration

Date: March 10, 2005 - Thursday
Location: Ft Pickett, Officers Club
Time: 1030 hours
Guest Speaker: COL Debra J. Carroll, St Headquarters, Virginia Air National Guard
All are invited. Dress: Civilian or Uniform of the Day
** (Programs may be rescheduled if weather prohibits travel)
POC: MAJ Ramsey or TSgt Bey at 434-298-6156

Members Deploy to Southwest Asia



SrA Peter Mort is a plumber for the 192d CES. In order to make the deployment, Peter had to withdraw early from his classes at Radford where he is studying marketing. He will have to redo his classes but the university has agreed to prorate his tuition. Mom and dad Ruth & Ted, along with sister April and girlfriend Alex celebrated Christmas early in order to share the experience with Peter before he left.



SrA James Miles was one of nine firefighters and eight CE members who left on Dec 19th for a deployment to Southwest Asia. His father Gary and mother Faye, along with other family and friends, were on hand to see him off. James works for Hanover Volunteer Fire Department #6 and looks forward to joining us here at the 192d full time when he returns.



FAMILY READINESS NEWS

Families Also Serve!

Volume 4 Issue 2

February 2005

FAMILY READINESS AND SUPPORT

The Virginia Citizen Soldier Support Committee Working For You

In an effort to better serve our families, I sit on various committees to speak on your behalf.

One of the committees on which I serve is the **Virginia Citizen Soldier Support Committee**. This committee was stood up by Governor Mark Warner and is chaired by Robert P. Crouch, Jr., Chief Deputy Secretary of Public Safety. We meet quarterly to discuss initiatives that we feel best meet the needs of our military families and should be forwarded to the Governor and the legislature for consideration of positive action.

Our recent meeting was a study in the benefits that each State offers the military community. Our goal was to identify best practices and to determine if they were a good fit in Virginia for our families.

One of our recommendations was recently adopted by the legislature and announced by Governor Warner. This initiative establishes expedited professional licensure for spouses who move into Virginia due to their husband's military career.

"We continue to look for ways to

support our military families as tours of duty and demands of service grow," Governor Warner said. "With special attention, the Commonwealth can do a little more to help secure the economic security of military families who call Virginia home."

As I stated earlier, it is an honor to serve on a committee where I can voice your concerns and have them welcomed. Please continue to contact me with your ideas on how Virginia can better serve your needs.

- Angie Wade, WFPC

Volunteers Support Troop Sendoff in December

Seventeen airmen from the CE Squadron deployed on Sunday December 19, 2004. Approximately 200 people came to see them off!

The date of departure was a surprise to everyone. But that did not stop the Chesterfield County and Henrico County Virginia Fire Departments from showing up en masse and joining about 75 family members to say goodbye to their personal heroes.

Our community resources provided a feast for 150, although about 130 were served. **SMSgt Lawson Osborne, TSgt Roy Phaup and SMSgt Ray Dawson** manned the dining hall and served the families and friends after being given a last minute notice that we needed help.

Spouse volunteer **Marie Edwards, her children Preston and Sophia, CMSGT Suzanne Dates, SMSgt Brenda Kirby,**

ESGR Representatives Tom Stephens and Cindy Norwood assisted in meeting and greeting the supporters and giving out Goodie Bags and Phone Cards and Flags to the troops.

The FRG also supplied the goodies inside the bag and a local recording artist provided a Christmas CD.

A huge thank you goes out to everyone who made this one the best sendoffs yet!

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Special points of interest:



Are you expecting a new addition to your family this year? To assist you in deciding the best name for your new bundle of joy, visit <http://www.ssa.gov/OACT/babynames/>. Every year the Social Security Administration prints the most popular names for the previous year and has data for popular baby names for the last ten years! "Jacob" and "Emily" were the most popular baby names for 2003.



For more information about VA Loans and recent changes, visit www.va.gov

VA Home Loan Changes

Is this the year you are planning to move or buy your first home? Are you planning to try to use your VA Benefits?

There is some good news and great changes included in the **Veteran's Benefits Act 2004** that was signed by the President on December 10 2004.

The changes include a **new increased maximum guaranty** amount

from \$240,000 to \$349,650 for a new single family residence.



The VA has also been given new authority to "**guaranty**" **traditional adjustable rate mortgages**, which insures ARM's

under the National Housing Act. These mortgages can increase or decrease no more than 1

percentage point annually, with a maximum cap of just 5 percentage points over the life of the loan. This type of ARM loan **MUST** be underwritten at 1 percentage point above the initial rate.

The law extends VA authority to guarantee **hybrid ARM loans** to September 30, 2008. In addition it modifies the Rate Adjustment requirements. These changes do not affect existing hybrid ARM's.

Getting Ready To Prepare Your Taxes



Visit 1040 Central at www.irs.gov for all of your questions and the answers

Some new tax laws went into effect for 2004. They may be beneficial to you as you prepare to file your taxes.

Combat Pay - Some military personnel receiving combat pay get larger tax credits because of **two law changes**.

The new law **excludes combat pay as income when figuring the Child**

Tax Credit and gives the taxpayer the option of counting or ignoring combat pay as income when figuring the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Counting combat pay as income when calculating these credits does not change the exclusion of combat pay from taxable income.

If you have qualifying

service in a **combat zone, you may have an extension of at least 180 days** from your last date of service in the combat zone to file your taxes depending on your return date.

To get complete military tax filing details visit the www.irs.gov website, enter keyword "military".

Replacing Your Vital Documents

If you cannot put your hands on your Vital Documents at a moments notice, you may want to get **replacement copies** and put them in your special metal readiness file that you maintain in your home office.

- Your (Virginia) **Vehicle Registration**: Can be ordered online from www.dmv.va.state.us. Allow 5 days for delivery and there is no charge.
- **Vehicle Title**: If there are no changes, your cost is \$5. Must be done in person, but application for request can be obtained online.
- **Social Security Card Replacement**: There is no charge, ever! "Request for replacement" form can be obtained online from <http://www.ssa.gov/replace/sscard.html> and taken to a local Social Security Office with proper proof of identity.
- **Birth Certificate**: In Virginia, the fee is \$12 and is obtained most quickly in person. Visit <http://www.vdh.state.va.us/vitalrec/primary.asp> for more information.



"Gray Area" Retirees qualify for Delta Dental

from The Providence Journal (RI) January 3, 2005

Since 1998, eligibility for the **TRICARE Retiree Dental Program** has extended to all retirees of the Reserve and Guard and their family members, including "gray area" retired reservists who are entitled to retired pay but will not begin receiving it until age 60. Many of these retirees do not realize they are eligible.

Premiums for the TRDP

are based on the primary enrollee's residence ZIP code and, under federal law, must be deducted automatically from retired pay through one of six discretionary allotments. However, "gray area" retired reservists who are younger than age 60 and who enroll in the program are naturally exempt from the mandatory government deduction, so alternative payment arrange-

ments, such as direct billing, will be made.

Enrollees can choose any licensed dentist within the TRDP service area, which includes all 50 states, or can select from a network of more than 80,000 dentist locations nationwide. For more information, go online to www.trdp.org, or phone the contract administrator, Delta Dental of California, at (888) 838-8737 for an enrollment packet.

Benefits for the first 12 Months include:
Diagnostic
Preventative
Endodontics
Periodontics
Emergency
Accident

Scholarships for Military Children

The deadline to apply for the Scholarships for Military Children program is Feb. 16,, due at your nearest commissary by close of business on Applications are available at all 272 commissaries worldwide, or online at www.militaryscholar.org.

The Scholarship Program is opened to unmarried children under the age of 21 (23 if enrolled in school) of military retirees, Guard and

Reserve and active duty service members.

Eligibility and additional information is available at the program Web site. At least one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded at every commissary location with qualified applicants.

Administered by Fisher House Foundation and funded by manufacturers and industry, the program has awarded over \$3

million and nearly 2,000 scholarships since it's inception in 2000.

The Scholarships for Military Children Program was created to recognize the contributions of military families to the readiness of the fighting force and to celebrate the role of the commissary in the military family community.



ID Theft: Part 2—Obtaining an ID Theft Affidavit

Remember the scenario: you go to the bank to withdraw funds due to a family medical emergency, but you discover, once there, that you have no money; it's all gone. But the worse part of all is that you nor your spouse took the money. Someone posing as you has infiltrated your account and taken everything!

You identified that a fraud has taken place and you have notified the credit reporting bureaus. Your

next step is to report the fraud to your financial institutions and to file a police report by submitting an **ID Theft affidavit**.

An **ID Theft Affidavit** may be obtained from www.consumer.gov/idtheft.

Your notarized affidavit allows you to list each fraudulent account. You can identify your willingness to assist in the prosecution of the crime and your willingness to

cooperate with police on all matters pertaining to the fraud as well as whether or not you have filed a police report.

If you have filed a police report, be sure to obtain a copy of the report. Sending a copy of the police report with your ID Theft affidavit to your financial institutions can speed up the process of absolving you of any responsibility for any wrongful debts that have occurred.

Contact information to the FTC:

The FTC maintains an ID Theft Clearinghouse to provide information to ID theft victims. You may call toll free
1-877-ID-THEFT
(1-877-438-4338)

FAMILY READINESS AND SUPPORT

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**Families Also
Serve!**

Take a Soldier To the Movie!

You are invited to take part in the "Take A Wounded Soldier to the Movies" program. Packages should be addressed to



**Take a Wounded Soldier to the Movie,
Attn: Pastoral Services,
Landstuhl Regional Medical Center
CMR 402
APO AE 09180**

Packets should contain a DVD, candy, unpopped popcorn packets, an AT&T phone card and a letter from persons or families sharing their thoughts and support.

Let's Celebrate something Special in...

		1	2 GROUNDHOG DAY	3	4	5 Weatherman's Day
6 Pay a Compliment Day	7 Charles Dickens Day	8 Kite Flying Day	9	10 Umbrella Day	11 White T-shirt	12 Circus clown
13 Xavier Get a Different Name Day Mia Ricky	14 Valentine's Day	15 National Gum Drop Day Gum drop	16 Do a Grouch a Favor Day (Please!)	17 Person with umbrella	18	19 National Chocolate Mint Day (m-m-m-m-m!)
20 Hoodie- Hoo Day (Yell "Hoodie Hoo" at noon.)	21 Card Reading Day	22 Person running	23 International Dog Biscuit Day Dog biscuit	24 National Tortilla Chip Day	25 Spay Day USA Two dogs	26 National Pistachio Day
27 Public Sleeping Day	28					Heart

Retirees Corner

By TSgt Tom Carter

The Virginia Air National Guard Retirees Association had the January Monthly Meeting at The All Ranks Club on 13 January 2005. The main topics that were brought to the attention of the group were to provide top line speakers for future programs and to look into the possibility of hosting a "Reunion of the 1961 Activation of the VaANG". The decision concerning the Reunion was tabled until the February 10, 2005 meeting. The delay in making a decision is to allow for further input from members who were unable to attend and to allow for as much input possible. The ability and success of attempting such a large project as this, is dependent on your input and support to make this go. If you are interested in this project, please get in touch with Tom Carter, E.B. Harmon, or Mike Carter. If you know anyone who in the VaANG during the "61 Call-Up", please contact/mail that information and your interest to: The VaANG Retirees Association, P.O. Box 113, Sandston, Va. 23150-0113.

Some of the members who attended the January meeting were Paul Newbill, Mike Carter, Charlie Martin, Ray Bassetti, Allan Massengale, Bill Smith, Bobby Mantlo,

Andy Anderson, Bill Collins, Bob Seifert, Bob Brockmeir, Bernard McKay, Otis (Buddy) McKay, Bob Seifert, Dickie Tompkins, Ed Southard, and Tom Carter.

The next meeting of the VaANG Retirees Association will be on 10 February 2005 at The All Ranks Club (formerly Club 149) with the business meeting starting at 7:00 P.M. The main subject will be Can we/Will we host a Reunion of the 1961 Call-up.

TSgt Eric Fiedorczyk was awarded the Chief Jim Stanley Leadership Award on 9 January 2005. This award exemplifies a higher degree of leadership, professionalism, enthusiasm, camaraderie, duty performance and supervisory concern for unit members and their careers. He is a stellar performer and we look forward to his continued success as a strong leader in the 192nd Medical Group.



Dental Program Includes 'Gray Area' Retirees

Friday, December 10, 2004

By TRICARE Headquarters

Navy Compass

Eligibility for the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP) extends to ALL retirees of the Reserve and Guard and their family members, including "gray area" retired Reservists who are entitled to retired pay but will not begin receiving it until age 60. Although eligibility for this group has been in effect since the TRDP first began in 1998, many retired Reserve and Guard members, and even more "gray area" retirees, still do not realize they are eligible.

Premiums for the TRDP are regionally based on the primary enrollee's residence ZIP code. Title 10 of the United States Code, Section 1076c mandates that monthly premiums for the TRDP be deducted automatically from retired pay through one of six discretionary allotments. However, "gray area" retired Reservists who are younger than age 60 and who enroll in the program are naturally exempt from the mandatory government deduction, so alternative payment



arrangements such as direct billing or EFT will be made.

Today, over 800,000 retired members of the uniformed services, Medal of Honor recipients, un-remarried surviving spouses, and their family members are enjoying comprehensive, affordable benefits under the

TRDP. Enrollees in the TRDP can choose any

licensed dentist within the TRDP service area or can select from a network of over 80,000 dentist locations nationwide. The TRDP service area includes all 50 United States as well as the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Northern

Mariana Islands, and Canada.

Retired Reservists and Guard members, including "gray area" retirees, who would like more information about the TRDP can visit the web site at www.trdp.org or call the contract administrator, Delta Dental of California, at (888) 838-8737 for a complete TRDP enrollment packet.

203d RED HORSE Squadron Breaks Ground On New Facility

By Maj. Debbie Magaldi

The 203rd RED HORSE Squadron broke ground in December on a new Troop Training Quarters building. The ceremony — attended by local and state dignitaries, presidents of the companies contracted to design and build the facility, and Virginia National Guard leaders and members — took place at the State Military Reservation in Virginia Beach on Dec. 17.

In his remarks before the actual groundbreaking, 203rd Commander Lt.Col. Paul Julian extended a sincere thank you to everyone who had worked so diligently in securing the \$2.4 million in Congressional funding for this project. "We will now see your efforts come to fruition," he said. "With the 203rd's extended lease of this site, the new troop training and quarters building will provide additional classroom training space and modern billeting facilities for our HORSEMEN and other joint service users.... As a civil engineer and land surveyor by trade, it is exciting to witness a project go from paper to reality."

He then invited the special guests to accompany him into the area where the new facility will be built.

For the groundbreaking, Colonel Julian accompanied by 81st District Delegate Terrie Suit; Virginia Beach Mayor Meyera Oberndorf; Col. Johnny Haikey,

Chief Executive Officer for the Virginia Air National Guard; Ahmed Hassan, ARC Design Group president; and Dennis Gilbert, TESORO Corporation president, put shovel to dirt to commemorate the beginning of the project.

The 16,000 square foot facility designed by ARC Design Group will provide approximately 1,100 square foot of classroom space and 34 billeting rooms. The billeting rooms will include 16 single, 16 doubles and two VIP rooms. The design of the new facility will compliment the other 203rd facilities located on the State Military Reservation.

The new building will enhance unit training by providing additional classroom and computer access, according to Colonel Julian. "This will provide an ideal environment for readily training and supervising unit members for their military job specialties as well as wartime training," he said. An additional benefit for out-of-town HORSEMEN will be the billeting facilities within the building. "It will offer our personnel a 'sense of home' here at the 203rd and give the unit 'beddown' capabilities during mobilizations," the commander added.



The 203rd RED HORSE Squadron members and guests conducted a groundbreaking ceremony for the unit's new Troop Training Quarters building under sunny skies on Dec. 17. Taking part in the ceremony with 203rd Commander Lt.Col. Paul Julian (far left) are (left to right) ARC Design President Ahmed Hassan, 81st District Delegate Terrie Suit, City of Virginia Beach Mayor Meyera Oberndorf, TESORO Corporation President Dennis Gilbert, and Col. Johnny Haikey, Chief Executive Officer for the Virginia Air National Guard.

TESORO Corporation will build the facility and anticipates project completion on or before October 2005.

2005 Freedom Award Nomination Period Begins

The nomination period for the 2005 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Awards is now open!

The Freedom Award recognizes employers who provide exceptional support to their employees who voluntarily serve the nation in the National Guard and Reserve. The award is the highest in a series of ESGR awards that include the Patriot Award, the Above and Beyond Award, and the Pro Patria Award. The categories for the Freedom Award include: Major Corporations (100 or more

employees), Small Corporations (less than 100 employees), and Public Sector (federal, city, state, municipalities, police and fire departments, or any entity funded by tax dollars).

To nominate an employer for this award, go to the ESGR web site at www.esgr.mil.

The nomination period for the 2005 Freedom Award ends 24 February 05, so be sure to nominate your outstanding employers for this prestigious award quickly!

Virginia Army/Air National Guard Enlisted Association

Virginia Army/Air National Guard Enlisted Association



While you're working for your country in the National Guard... Someone on Capitol Hill is working for you!

The Virginia Army/Air National Guard Enlisted Association (VaA/ANGEA) was organized in July 1974 by approximately 20 enlisted personnel in Lynchburg, Virginia. Incorporated as a non-profit organization, the VaA/ANGEA enhances the prestige, morale, and well-being of enlisted and retired members by providing many valuable benefits!

Did you know they advocate for:

- State tuition assistance
- National Guard license plates
- Guard pay tax exemptions
- Commissary privileges
- Scholarships

But their accomplishments do not end there! The VaA/ANGEA also succeeded in achieving: Improved GI Bill benefits for National Guard and Reserve, SGLI expansion, availability of VA loan to the National Guard, and too many others to list.

The VaA/ANGEA will be holding its 31st annual conference from 29 April – 1 May 2005 at the Wyndham Hotel in Roanoke, Virginia. The \$45 registration fee (waived for E1-E4) includes a luau and semi-formal/formal banquet and dinner dance. Please contact me if you are interested in joining us for the meeting and/or festivities!

Help us continue this tradition of providing valuable benefits - contact your First Sergeant and join today!!

Thanks in advance for your support,

TSgt Kelly Kallio

Kelly.Kallio@varich.ang.af.mil

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MOVING IN, MOVING UP, MOVING ON

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SrA Michael Culley	SFS
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SrA Rall Elder	MXS

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192d Fighter Wing flightline personnel load munitions into an F-16C during January's ORE.

Photos by MSgt Carlos Claudio

Munitions journeymen Senior Airmans Ajah Crosby (L) and Matthew Rich, of the 192d FW, attach a nose to an MK82.



A member of the 192d Fighter Wing is randomly chosen to match his packed items to his required list during luggage inspection.

What's for Lunch?

SATURDAY UTA

Salisbury Steak w/Onions
Polish Sausages
Saurkraut
Mashed Potatoes
Rice
Gravy
Corn on the cob
Brownies

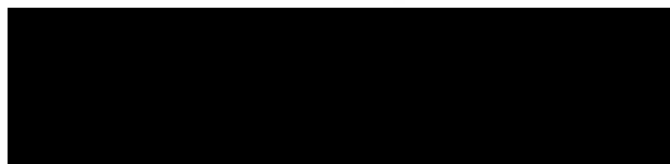
SUNDAY UTA

Braised Beef Cubes
Italian Veal Steaks
Steamed Rice
Steam Pasta
Peas & Carrots
Devil's Food Cake w/
White Icing

MEXICAN SHORT ORDER:

Tacos
Burritoos
Enchiladas

BOTH DAYS:
Asst Beverages, Salad
Bar W/ Dressings
Asstd Breads,
Manhattan Clam
Chowder



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