

The Kansas Coyote



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Combat Pistol Team Sweeps FORSCOM Matches

The 190th Combat Pistol Team has once again captured honors at the 25th Annual FORSCOM matches at Ft. Riley, winning the overall team trophy.

In the individual competition, SSgt Bill Beightel, swept seven individual first place awards in the Individual, Position, Duel and Military rapid fire matches. Three separate Individual matches were fired with Sgt Beightel taking first place in all three; scoring 884, 888 and 887 of a possible 900 score. MSgt Jim Goetz fired an 880 score in one match to take second place.

Firing the standard military issue 45 caliber pistol throughout the contest, Sgt Beightel took first place awards in the position match scoring 884, the duel match scoring 888, and the military rapid fire, again scoring 888. In the position match, shooters fire from the prone, kneeling and crouched positions. The duel targets snap in place facing the marksman for only five seconds before turning away; and in the military rapid fire match, five rounds are fired in segments of 20, 15 and 10 seconds.

In the combat team competition, the Coyotes finished in third place, only three points behind the first place winner.

Extra competition points were won in the excellence-in-competition match by SMSgt Maurice Smith, MSgt David Fogelberg and Sgt Goetz and Beightel.

The most grueling part of the competition was the General George S. Patton Jr., match that consists of a timed two-mile run in combat dress including steel helmet, web gear with pistol, first aid kit, canteen and poncho. The maximum time allowed for the run is 25 minutes, with target firing beginning 29 minutes after the start of the run. According to SMSgt Smith, pacing yourself on the run to allow some rest time afterward is more important than exhausting yourself on the run and finishing first.

In the Patton match, a four-man team fires at six targets with team coaches spotting the targets and correcting errors during firing. The Coyote team scored 1666 points, some 56 points ahead of the second place finisher.

Twenty championship teams participated in the match. Seven were regular Army, three Army Reserve, seven Air National Guard and three Air National Guard.

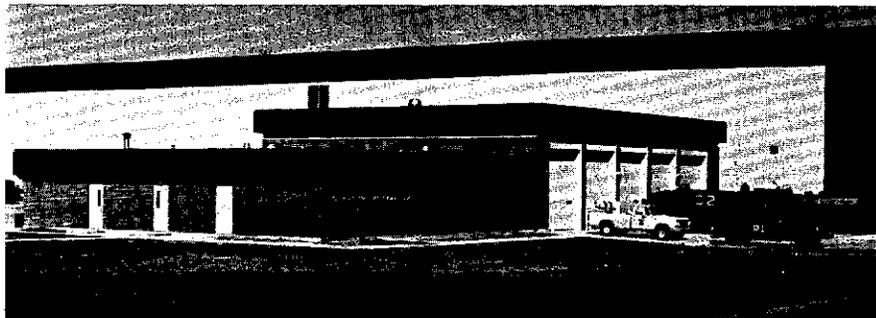
CINCSAC Sends Praise To Guard Refuelers

"Not only were you there when requested, but your performance throughout the year . . . showed us the professionals you are and that the total force policy really does work."

Gen Richard H. Ellis, commander in chief, Strategic Air Command, wrote these comments in a recent message to Air Force Reservists and Air National Guardsmen, thanking them for their support of SAC's 1979 refueling mission.

During 1979, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard KC-135 tankers located throughout the Continental United States flew more than 25,100 hours in support of SAC's air refueling mission.

"Recognizing the part-time nature of the Air Reserve Forces, you can be justifiably proud of your units' performances," said General Ellis. "We in SAC are looking forward to a lasting relationship with the Air Reserve Forces and look to 1980 as a year of even greater



Commander's Comments



Colonel William S. Mahler

Recent changes to unit readiness reporting procedures and subordinate unit mission changes have highlighted unit strength deficiencies. Although overall Group strength is in the low eighties, emphasis on the critical or specific AFSC's will solve the subordinate unit strength problems and the overall Group strength. Particular emphasis must be placed on recruiting and retaining flight line crew chiefs, engine mechanics and firefighters.

Filling these critical vacancies is not the sole responsibility of the recruiters nor is it the sole responsibility of the CAMSg or Civil Engineering. The responsibility rests with **every member** of the Group regardless of organization. Talk to your neighbor or friend, tell him or her about the unit. Don't "leave it to the other person" — be the other person. A great deal of emphasis has been placed upon recruiting and retention in the past; however, strength has become the most serious and challenging problem that faces us today. Commanders and supervisors must provide the leadership and direction but everyone must show concern for the weekend guardsman, appreciation for a job well done and provide interesting or responsible training during the UTAs.

Some of the Commanders and supervisors are doing a superb job in this re-

Weight Control Program Planned

A weight control program for the 190th was the main topic of the First Sergeant's meeting during the April UTA. The program will be in complete compliance with ANGR 35-11.

According to MSgt James Alber, 190th CAM Sq First Sergeant, "The main reason is we want to advise the unit what the program consists of and how it will be implemented."

The official weight will be taken at the time of the annual physical (SF93). Those persons overweight will be required to lose 6 pounds by the next official weigh-in 60 days later. Participants will be verbally counseled at the end of the 60 day period if the weight is not lost. A second unsatisfactory weigh-in will result in a written letter of counseling. A third unsatisfactory weigh-in will receive a written letter of reprimand.

Aircrews Make Florida Trip

By Col William S. Mahler

April was highlighted by a deployment of three aircraft, 12 officers and 24 enlisted members of the 190th to MacDill AFB in support of the 56th Tactical Fighter Wing.

I consider that the deployment was a resounding success. Valuable training was achieved by all deploying personnel as well as the supported F-4 D and F-16 units.

We flew three sorties per day beginning at 0800 each day — the last sortie normally landing at 10 PM. We flew a total of 51.7 hours, refueling seventy-seven F-4 and F-16 aircraft. This resulted in 98 day and 68 night contacts with a total fuel offload of 431,000 lbs of fuel.

'High Flight' Needs Notes

"High Flight," the soaring sonnet long associated with the Air Force, is the subject of a civilian contest.

Avon Old Farms School, alma mater of its author, John Gillespie Magee Jr., is offering a \$1,000 prize for the best musical setting for the sonnet.

The music, with piano or organ accompaniment, must be performable as a hymn for unison voices.

Deadline for entries is June 15. Further information is available from Gordon Clark Ramsey, Avon Old Farms School, Avon, Conn. 06001. (AFNS)

Voluntary Recall Set For National Guard And Reserve

Some 1,250 enlisted members of the Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve may be voluntarily recalled to extended active duty this summer.

The action aims to fill shortages with trained specialists in 170 career fields in the regular Air Force.

Guard and Reserve members are being contacted by the Air Reserve Personnel Center, Denver, Colo., to find out if they are interested in returning to active duty.

Applicants must meet basic requirements including U.S. or naturalized citizenship; at least one year of service in the primary Air Force specialty code and grade for which being considered; and have served at least three months on active duty.

A board will make final selections in May.

Interested Guard and Reserve members should submit an Air Force Form 125, "Application for Extended Active

Unit Airmen Return From Mildenhall

Story by A1C Pam Bowen

The first group of people taking active duty training at Mildenhall AFB, England, has returned. They brought back with them many good memories, lots of souvenirs and some helpful information for those planning to go on future trips.

"The flight overseas was pretty rough. We followed a storm over, even though we went farther North than originally planned," said SSgt John Shirey, CAM Sq. "Once we were in England the weather wasn't too bad. It didn't rain, but it sure was cold."

The billeting varied for the people at Mildenhall. For A1C Doris Whitehead, CAM Sq, and the only female on the trip, quarters consisted of a single room in the women's dormitory. The facilities contained a tub and stall showers at each end of the hall, a day room and free washer and dryer.

"The thing I would suggest is to leave most of your civilian clothes at home and make more room for souvenirs and things," said Doris.

The KC-135 crew chiefs, TSgt Rick Wachsnicht, TSgt John Topping and A1C Ron Swibold, stayed in separate building from the TDY barracks. They each had their own room with a T.V., shower facilities and a washer and dryer on each floor.

The TDY barracks had two floors, with about 10 rooms on each. The men were two to a room, with showers at each end of the hall and a dayroom. Maid service for the rooms was about \$40 for the two week stay.

While our people actually worked at Mildenhall, Lakenheath AFB is in very close proximity. The transportation supplied between the bases is very good and what you can't find at one, the other usually has it. In fact, with the two rec centers, a dance on alternate Thursdays, the gym, bowling alley, theater, and gift shops, a Guardsman need not even leave the base.

"The food in the chow hall and the NCO Club is very good. You can get an

"They spend pounds like dollars, so be prepared to spend some money. Everything is at least twice what it costs here. Gas cost almost \$3 a gallon," Capt Dale Peterson, 117th AREFS, said.

The least amount of money spent was \$200, and that person didn't go into London. The most spent was \$500, including a weekend in London. The hotel rooms in London ranged from \$18 to \$32, in "off season" rates. "Tourist season" rates in effect from June through August are about double.

Food off base was quite expensive. Fish and chips cost \$3 and everything else was higher.

"I got a Big Mac and a cup of coffee at Picadilly Square and it cost exactly one

pound (\$2.22)," said SSgt William Hilbert, RMS.

All of the Guardsmen felt the trip was a positive experience. The people stationed at Mildenhall were very friendly and good to work with. Most of our people worked regular shifts, but a few had to work 10 and 12 hour shifts with the regulars who are stationed there.

"I worked my regular job of bench stock there and it was great. Just before I left, a Guardsman from Chicago ANG reported for duty on his second trip over," said Hilbert.

"It was great. We had a good time, but it is very expensive. It's well worth it all. I'd recommend the trip for anyone who can go," Peterson said.

Recruiters Corner

By MSgt Bill Stark

Right now we are experiencing some skill shortages in the Air National Guard and in our own unit. Due to the fact that these are crucial to our mission, a new ruling has been made on the recruiting of non-prior service enlistments.

If a non-prior person enlists in one of the 29 critical AFSCs for 6 years, he will do so as an A1C (E-3) and if he enlists for 4 years, it will be as an Amn (E-2). So, instead of earning \$448.80 monthly as an AB (E-1), he has the opportunity to earn either \$500.10 as an E-2 or \$519.60 as an E-3.

The following list is of the critical skills needed here at Forbes. If you know of anyone who would be interested and can qualify, refer him to our office ext. 4295.

maintenance analysis (comm-elec), and maintenance management.

Other jobs are: aircraft fuel systems, corrosion control, base vehicle maintenance, special vehicle maintenance, electric power line, liquid fuel sys maintenance, heating sys, pavements maint, masonry, plumber, production control, environmental support, fire protection, logistics plans, security, aeromedical, operating room, and veterinary.

Another way non-prior service individuals can enter the ANG above the rank of E-1 is to have college semester hours or ROTC. For example:

If they have 20 college semester hours, they can enter as an E-2, if they have 45 hours or more, they can be enlisted as an E-3.

If they have had one or more years of

Enlistments

Apr.		
SSgt	Ronald O. Claing	CEF
SSgt	Randall S. Daniels	CEF
SSgt	Kenneth D. Davis	CEF
SSgt	Don A. Shankland	CAM
SSgt	Bryan W. Thompson	CAM
Sgt	Leroy B. Gowens	SP
Sgt	Thomas W. Hutchinson	CAM
Sgt	Gale E. Kieffer	CAM
Sgt	Steven A. Klopfenstein	CAM
Sgt	Michael S. Ulin	Clinic
A1C	Richard N. Drennan	CAM
A1C	Palmer P. Elzey	CSSq
A1C	Neal A. Hanke	CAM
A1C	James H. Kotsch	CSSq
AB	Daniel L. Fox	CEF
AB	Roy M. Howard	CEF
AB	Jody L. Whitehead	CAM

May		
SSgt	Arthur L. Gassert	SP
SSgt	Glenn E. Herrman	CEF
SSgt	Charles R. Knowles Sr.	CAM
SSgt	Edwin E. Kramer	CAM
Sgt	Carlton M. Case	CSS
Sgt	Betty A. Glander	Clinic
SRA	Jose Gonzalez Jr	SP
A1C	Kathy-Jean M. King	CAM
AB	Kyle A. Bunting	SP
AB	Donald L. Burger	CAM
AB	Michael D. Glenn	CAM
AB	Donald J. McKinzie	CAM

Reenlistments/ Extensions

Apr.		
CMSgt	James A. Ryan Jr	CAM
SMSgt	Richard L. McIver	CSS
SMSgt	Melvin D. Simpson	Hq KSANG
MSgt	Maurus N. Blick	Group
MSgt	Donald K. McDill	RMSq
MSgt	Claudie C. Pritchard	CAM
MSgt	Lowell T. Seymour	117th
TSgt	Kenneth J. Griffin	117th
TSgt	Michael G. Smith	CEF
SSgt	William G. Field	CSS
Sgt	Bruce E. VanDyke	RMSq

May		
MSgt	Henry F. Kroeker	CAM
MSgt	Michael E. Madden	117th
MSgt	Thomas R. Whiteman	CAM
TSgt	Dan H. Mollnow	CAM
TSgt	Joseph M. Parks	Group
TSgt	James P. Ray	CSSq
TSgt	Joe A. Rose Jr	CAM
TSat	Ronald W. Smith	CAM

Consolidated Fire Station Completed

Story by TSgt Bill Ryman
Photos by A1C Jerry Geer

The new fire-crash station at Forbes Field has been completed and is now "the newest and best fire station in the Air Guard," according to fire chief TSgt Michael Smith.

The \$539,000 building, containing almost 10,000 square feet, will be the only fire station for Forbes. Manpower and equipment for the station will be provided on a cooperative basis by the Air Guard, Army Guard and Metropolitan Topeka Airport Authority (MTAA).

The station will be the combined operations center for fire and security protection of the MTAA. When there are military flying activities in progress, supplemental manning will be provided by the Army or Air Guard.

Sgt Smith said he has 21 Air Guardsmen on duty with authorizations for 21 more, or a total roster of 42. There are also 25 Air technician and 10 Army technician augmentees trained as "volunteer firemen" in case they are needed in an emergency.

The nerve center of the new station is the alarm-communications room. Equipped with complete radio and telephone service, the comm-room can remotely control lights, doors and intercoms throughout the building. In case of a late-night emergency, lights can be turned on remotely in the bunk rooms, kitchen, break room, hallway and apparatus parking area. The intercom can be patched-in to the radio communications so the firemen will already know where they are going and

but is not completely open until the green light comes on.

Fire hose washing and drying equipment will be installed to reduce the out of service time for used hose. It can take a full day to wash, dry and repack a 1,000 foot truck-load of hose. With the hose machine, the wash and dry time will be reduced to about one hour. Clean and dry storage of the hose is necessary to prevent it from rotting.

The water tanks in the fire trucks can be filled from overhead piping in the apparatus room. One equipment bay has been designed to accommodate the newest P-15 military fire truck. The 14 foot high by 10 by 45 foot vehicle has a quick response capability as well as large fire-fighting capacity on-scene.

Separate living quarters are provided for both male and female firefighters on extended shifts. There are bunks and locker space for seven men and three women. Bunker gear (aluminized protective fire suits) will be shared by firemen according to their sizes. This will reduce the expense of equipping each fireman as long as they are not on the same shift.

A fully-equipped kitchen with seating area for 12 will permit the on-duty personnel to prepare their own meals. "I've seen some of these collectively-cooked meals turn out some pretty good food," Sergeant Smith said.

Also in the station is a recreation/training room. Used for training in fire-fighting, rescue or security during the



MULTIPURPOSE ROOM — TSgt Smith discusses firefighting operations with some of his staff. The training room will also be office space for the MTAA and a recreation room in the evenings.

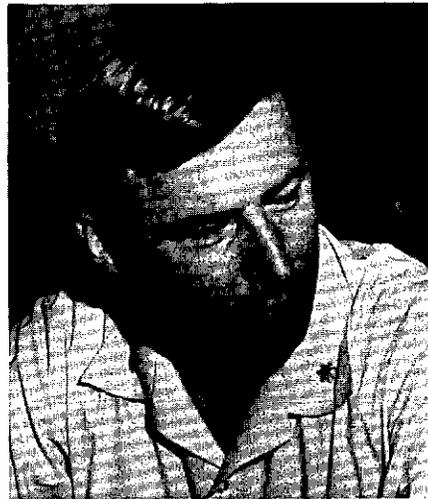


RESCUE LIFELINE REPAIR — TSgt Michael Smith, Fire Chief, watches SRA Gary Goebel and MSgt Robert Higgs repair a lifeline used for escape from building roofs during a fire.



Coyote Notes:

The roving Coyote was out last UTA and asked: "How would you feel about a mandatory service requirement for all eligible 18 year olds?"



Maj PAT DALE

Maj Pat Dale:

I would be in favor of it, with obvious exceptions. I have two daughters, ages 8 and 11. They are pretty non-committal now, but I am advising them that the military is a good background. As far as the Air Guard is concerned, that would be a real good source for trained recruits.

MSgt Bob Hern:

I'm for it, I have been for years. Everyone should go into the military, women included. I think it would be good for them. You can see a difference when they leave for basic training and when they get back.



SSgt CHARLIE BILLAU

SSgt Charlie Billau:

I think it would be nice. It gives people a form of discipline and I think everyone needs that. I believe that military service would be the only way to go, though.



MSgt BOB HERN

AIC James Johnson:

No, I don't think it's a good idea. I think if it's their choice, that's ok. It's a free country. They should be able to decide for themselves. At age 18, some people aren't ready for military life. Two years ago I came into the Guard, right out of high school. If I had to go, I don't think I would have liked it.



AIC JAMES JOHNSON

Vacation Safety Means More Fun

Vacation time is here and you're eager to be off to relatives, the desert, the mountains, or the seashore. Usually this means throwing the kids into the car, hanging fishing rods on the side, boarding out the canary and the goldfish, but not the dog cause the kids wouldn't let

Happy vacation to you all. And more! A happy safe vacation to you and yours.

First, have you had your car thoroughly checked? Lights, brakes, tires, windshield wipers?

Going swimming? Remember Old Sol is friendly, but his beams turn a pale

times you don't "respire," and that's bad.

Going boating? Are you checked out in small boats? Know the rules of the road? The capacity of the boat? The Coast Guard regulations — do you know them? Got preservers for each



COMMENDATION MEDALS — Col William S. Mahler presented the Air Force Commendation Medal to Capt James H. Kirk, Jr. for meritorious service as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer and to Sgt Michael J. Worden for his outstanding service as Special Vehicle Mechanic at the May Commander's Call.



HONOR GRADUATES — TSgt Stephen M. Skinner and Amn William D. Rowland, Sr. were presented Honor Graduate citations for their courses completed at the Technical Training Center, Sheppard AFB, Texas, by Col William S. Mahler.



Why Am I Not Being Promoted?

By MSgt Jim Alber
190 Cam Sq.

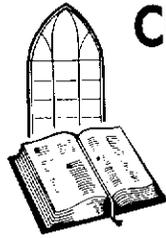
I do my job well and keep a 100% UTA attendance, but my supervisor won't put me in for promotion. Sound familiar? Most supervisors have heard similar questions and some of our personnel have asked this very question. The answer is not always as simple as it could be. Doing the job and keeping up attendance are only part of the promotion picture.

Such items as 35-10 appearance, dependability, showing up on time, timely completion of physicals, immunizations, and records checks can also have a bearing on the overall promotion picture. Failure to accept responsibility can also have an impact on NCO promotions. The pursuit of personal interests during duty hours also has a bearing on promotion potential.

The regulations give basic requirements for upgrading, and common sense dictates other requirements. We, as supervisors, should insure that our personnel who are deserving of promotion are advised of their weaknesses and the actions needed to improve their promotion potential.

Certainly, a promotion should not be given as a reward for incompetence or non-conformance, but unless our personnel have been counseled and proper documentation placed in file concerning their shortcomings, we as supervisors are also to blame. Career progression is the responsibility of the individual and his supervisor on an equal basis, and each individual is responsible for insuring that he knows where he stands above and below him in the chain of command.

If we all do our jobs properly, the question at the top of this column should not have to be asked.



Chaplain's Column

By SSgt Gary Cox

(In the absence of a qualified Protestant Chaplain, SSgt Cox will contribute to this column. He is the Associate Pastor of the South Knollwood Baptist Church, Topeka.)

Ahhhhh Spring! Just what we've been waiting for all winter long! A time to go outside and soak up that sun; see the budding of the trees, and smell the fresh grown grass (that you'll have to mow before long). Spring, is a bringing back to life what has been dead during the winter. It's God's way of showing us the "rebirth of nature" in action. Maybe too, it will be a time to reflect on our need of a rebirth too. Obviously, we can't enter into our mother's womb again but we can see this rebirth take place by being "born-again" (John 3:1-7). It is not the turning over of a new leaf that we do, but the rebirth is something Christ does within us. It is a birth of a dead and Godless spirit that each person had inside their soul. Like Spring's new life, our spirit can be born-again too by accepting Christ. So we see that God uses nature as a lesson in bringing life to that which is dead. Ahhhhh Spring! Just what we've been waiting for!

Combined Training Program Near

The Base Training Section will direct and coordinate a new program of Ancillary (Non-specialty) Training.

The training includes security education, human relations, weight control, ground safety, marksmanship, standards of conduct and disaster preparedness.

Computer generated scheduling

Security Police Train At Camp Bullis

The 190th Security Police Flight spent 11 days at Camp Bullis near San Antonio, Texas. The 23 policemen had three days of classroom training, then went to the field for practical experience for the remainder of the stay.

The security police tactics training included: convoy defense, M60 machine gun, M16/M203 grenade launcher, building search, and area clearance and security.

The training was concluded with a night maneuver that lasted from 4 p.m. until 3 a.m. The Camp Bullis instructors became the enemy for the security policemen to practice their defense methods.

According to MSgt John Metz, the guardsmen became "very familiar with the assortment of rocks and critters" that seemed to be everywhere. The camp was a former World War II prisoner-of-war facility, in its original condition, according to several security policemen.

The Kansas detachment was augmented by guardsmen from Michigan, North Carolina and Texas.

During a weekend day off, some of the men went down to Padre Island, while others ventured in to San Antonio.

Returning to Forbes in the unit's C-131 support aircraft, the security policemen presented the aircrew with a plaque in appreciation of their service.



SP's AT CAMP BULLIS — Members of the 190th Security Police Flight shown in front of their quarters in Texas.



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First KC-10 Rolls From Factory Doors

The first KC-10 "Extender" has rolled off the McDonnell Douglas Corp., production line in Long Beach, Calif.

A militarized version of the DC-10 convertible freighter, the aircraft is designed as both a tanker and cargo carrier to enhance the mobility of the airlift and general purpose fighter forces of the Air Force, Navy and Marines.

The aircraft can carry out its aerial

Kansas Missilers Win Combat Competition

For the second consecutive year a Titan missile wing has won the annual Strategic Air Command Missile Combat Competition, OLYMPIC ARENA 80. The prestigious Blanchard Trophy will reside with the 381st Strategic Missile Wing, McConnell AFB, Kan.

After three days of intensive competition among the nine Minuteman and Titan II intercontinental ballistic missile wings, the 381st took top honors by amassing 2,747 points out of a possible 3,000.

The number two unit and best Minuteman wing was the 90th SMW, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo. The unit gathered 2,700 points. (SAC PS)

Stratoforts Circle Globe

Two B-52 Stratofortress bombers, assigned to the 410th Bombardment Wing, K.I. Sawyer AFB, Mich., returned home March 14, following a round-the-world flight of 22,275 miles.

The non-stop mission lasted approximately 43 hours. During their almost two days in the air, the B-52s flew sea surveillance/reconnaissance missions over the Indian Ocean in support of the commander in chief, Pacific Command.

Gen. Richard H. Ellis, commander in chief of the Strategic Air Command, who directed the mission, said, "The global flight demonstrates SAC's ability to rapidly project U.S. military power to any point in the world in a matter of hours." (AFNS)

Benefits of Kansas Air National Guard Membership

1. Military Exchange Privileges — 4 days of BX privileges for each weekend of drill attended.
2. Commissary use for self and dependents during each period of more than three consecutive days active duty.
3. Free meals during drills for enlisted personnel.
4. College credits for military training.
5. A \$20,000 Serviceman's Group Life Insurance policy for only \$3.00 per month (payroll deductible).
6. National Guard Association of Kansas offers Guard members up to \$20,000 life insurance for only \$7.00 per month (payroll deductible). Additional insurance available for dependents.
7. For Federal income tax purposes, a National Guard member may deduct certain expenses associated with inactive duty drills. Check the Legal Office for specific deductible items and appropriate forms to file.
8. Legal advice from the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

Stretched C-141 Gets First Aerial Refueling

An Altus-based stretched C-141B Starlifter received its first operational aerial refueling during a non-stop flight from Beale AFB, Calif., to RAF Mildenhall, England.

The 11-hour:12-minute flight was the longest C-141B mission to date and the first one to fly to Europe.

The B-model was one of the first five delivered to the Military Airlift Command. All 271 Starlifter transports will eventually receive the modification that lengthens the fuselage some 23 feet and adds an aerial refueling receptacle.

Air National Guard To Assume Responsibility For Rickenbacker

Strategic Air Command is scheduled to relinquish single manager responsibilities for common base operating support activities at Rickenbacker AFB, Ohio, April 1.

According to Headquarters SAC, Plans/Bases and Units Division officials, the Air National Guard will assume responsibility for the base operating support functions, but SAC will assist the Guard with the activities until Oct. 1.

The transfer of management responsibilities should not be confused with

ATC Liaison NCO's Needed

Assignments for Air National Guard liaison NCO's at Air Training Command technical training centers will begin later this year. The liaison NCO will be responsible for insuring that administrative, personnel, pay and training problems are expeditiously resolved for ANG students.

Also, the NCO's will ensure an orderly flow of ANG personnel through-out the training pipeline and respond to special ANG training requirements.

Selected NCO's will enter a one year tour. If the initial program is successful, two year tours will be established.

Assignments will be to the training centers at Keesler, Chanute, Lowry, Sheppard and Randolph AFB. There will be a 10-day orientation and training period at Lackland and Randolph AFB.

Personnel in the grades of TSgt and above will be eligible. They should have broad and extensive experience in the Guard and have the ability to represent the Guard in diverse matters.

For more information, contact SSgt Williams, DPMA, at ext. 4130.

Freedoms Foundation Announces 1980 Theme

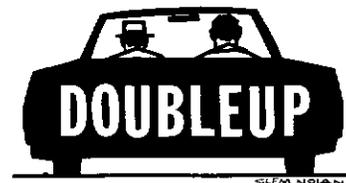
"The U.S. Armed Forces — Strong and Ready." Your thoughts on this subject could be worth money in the 1980 Valley Forge Patriots Award from the Freedoms Foundation.

Members on active duty, Reserve forces, ROTC and Junior ROTC are eligible to enter.

An essay or poem between 100 and 500 words discussing the subject should be sent to Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa. 19481 before Oct. 1. Include name, rank, Social Security number, branch of service, complete unit address and complete permanent home address and zip code.

Awards include savings bonds, honor medals and honor certificates.

Civilian employees and family members are not eligible to enter this competition, but can enter other categories. Further information on the categories is available by writing to the Awards Department, Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa. 19481. (AFNS)



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Guard Airlifts Kidney Machine

It looked bleak. A patient in Dallas needed a kidney transplant within four hours. The nearest kidney was in Wilford Hall U.S. Air Force Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas, a five-hour drive away.

Then the Air National Guard's 149th Tactical Fighter Group here stepped in.

Guardman Receives Presidential Award

TSgt Spencer T. Hayes, one of the 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year for 1979, added a Presidential Management Improvement Award to his list of honors.

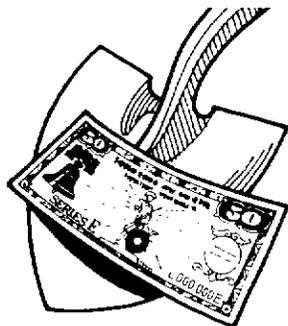
He was one of 11 recipients of the award, which recognizes people for their contributions improving government operations and services. The winners were selected from a field of some 2,900 candidates.

He was cited for the modification he made to Air Force radar that saved \$13.8 million.

What Sergeant Hayes invented was Hayes Automatic Radar Tracking. It is called HART for short. In 1978 Sergeant Hayes recognized a serious design deficiency in the AN/TSQ-91 Control and Reporting Operations Central. The system would not automatically track live video radar returns.

In comparison testing, Hayes' circuit beat the circuit the Air Force was planning to use. "Everyone at TAC (Tactical Air Command) headquarters were elated," Hayes said. The Air Force adopted his circuit and later named it after him.

He was awarded \$10,915 by the Department of Defense and the Civil Service Commission for his suggestion. The National Guard Bureau and State of Alabama awarded him \$5,000 more. (AFNS)



Safety And Theft Prevention For Bikes

Nearly 105 million American bikers are taking to the streets, roads, and bike paths in cities, towns, parks and military installations across the nation. Since 1972 bike sales have outstripped car purchases, with 77.5 million bicycles bought since then, versus 72.5 million automobiles.

This continuing increase in biking popularity has also resulted in increased bike accidents and bicycle theft. To help decrease these negative aspects of bike use and ownership, the Bicycle Manufacturers Association points out the following bike safety and theft prevention tips.

Bike Safety

- Obey all applicable traffic regulations, signs, signals and markings.
- Know and observe all local ordinances pertaining to bicycle operation.
- Keep right, ride with traffic, not against it; ride single file.
- Watch out for and avoid drain grates, soft shoulders and uneven road surfaces.
- Watch out for car doors opening, or cars pulling into traffic.
- Don't carry passengers or packages that interfere with your vision or control.
- Never hitch a ride on a truck or other vehicle.
- Be extremely careful at intersections, particularly when making a left turn.
- Use hand signals to indicate turning or stopping.
- Protect yourself at night with the required reflectors and lights.
- Drive a safe bike. Have it inspected to ensure good mechanical condition.
- Ride your bike defensively; watch out for the other person.

Theft Prevention

- Lock your bike in a conspicuous place to a stationary object. Most building complexes have bicycle racks which will frustrate thieves who are apt to be noticed by pedestrians or police.
- Use a heavy-duty, case-hardened

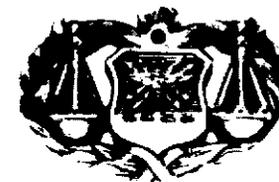
- Record the serial number of the bike. It is found in three places: on the head tube under the manufacturer's name or insignia; on the underside of the pedal crank housing; on the left rear toeplate near the axle.

- Register your bike by serial number, make, model and description with the local police or security unit.

- List your bike by color, model, make and serial number on the personal property floater of your homeowners or tenants insurance policy.

- Always secure your bicycle indoors overnight.

- Never leave your bike unattended, even for a few minutes, without locking it.



Legal Notes

By Capt Ron Wurtz
Judge Advocate

Vacation time is nearly upon us and many will be setting off for rest and relaxation in the company of wives and friends after leaving the kids "safely" in the custody of trusted friends or family.

But . . . how safe are the kids if their babysitter is without legal authority to authorize their medical treatment if they are unfortunately injured or become ill? This contingency is easily remedied with a special power of attorney prepared free of charge for you at your Guard Legal office. For a secure feeling while on vacation call Capt. Wurtz at ext. 4002 or drop by the Judge Advocate Office in

KC-135 Model Available

Guardsmen interested in building a plastic model of the KC-135 Stratotanker may be interested to know that Nova Models has a 1/72 scale kit available. List price of the Model is \$18.50. The kit may be ordered from a dealer in California. For more information contact TSgt Tom Lamb, Recruiter at ext. 4295.

New Bumper Sticker

New Air Guard bumper stickers are available in the Public Affairs office, Unit orderly rooms and in the Recruiters office.

UTA Schedule

June 21-22
July 12-13
August 2-3
September 6-7
October 4-5
November 1-2
December 6-7

Sunday Chapel Services
Catholic - 1400 Hrs.
Protestant - 1500 Hrs.
Maintenance Classroom, Bldg. 662

Menu

Saturday
Tender Baked Ham
Steaming Mashed Potatoes
Hot Buttered Corn
Tossed Green Salad
Chilled Butterscotch Pudding
Astd. Breads with Butter
Coffee, Tea, Milk

Sunday
Delicious Salisbury Steak
Creamed Potatoes with Gravy
Garden Green Beans
Cottage Cheese with Pineapple
Fresh Strawberry Shortcake
Astd. Breads with Butter
Coffee, Tea, Milk

Dining Hall Hours
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