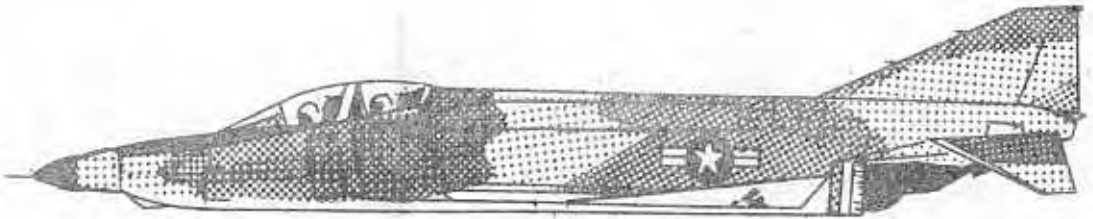




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**ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE WEEK:** Yesterday marked the end of the week long observance of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Week. The Presidential Proclamation noted, "That Asian-Americans have played a significant role in the creation of a dynamic and pluralistic America, with their enormous contributions to our science, arts, industry, government and commerce. Unfortunately, we have not always fully appreciated the talents and the contributions which Asian-Americans have brought to the United States." The week long observance is designed to bring about greater understanding of this part of our society and their role in building our country.

**ANG UNITS CONTRIBUTE:** The 1979 Air Force Assistance Fund (AFAF) Campaign has been completed and TAC personnel once again demonstrates their "commitment to caring." TAC personnel contributed \$359,390 or 125 percent of their goal. In addition, TAC gained ANG units contributed \$1,274. These contributions were significant in enabling the Air Force to meet its goal of \$2.8 million.

**WEATHER SERVICE TO RELOCATE:** The Air Board and the National Weather Service have reached agreement on the relocation of National Weather Service facilities at Standiford Field to the east side of the Airfield, according to Airport News. The facility has functioned for several decades in Lee Terminal.

**HOTLINE AIDS BATTLE AGAINST FRAUD:** A toll-free hotline has been established to aid in the battle against fraud and waste. The number, (800) 424-9098, outside Washington, is operated by the Defense Investigative Service. Callers who wish to report suspected instances of fraud or waste in DoD transactions with the General Services Administration (GSA) should use the hotline.

**NEW CHECK CASHING RULES:** Officers, warrant officers, and noncommissioned officers in grades E-7 and above, who are in uniform will no longer be required to show ID cards when cashing a check at exchange service facilities. The Army and Air Force exchange service implemented the new cashing procedures of the Departments of the Army and Air Force on April 1. Patrons affected will still be required to display appropriate information such as social security numbers on checks tendered.

**PAY FREQUENCY FOR ANNUAL TRAINING PERFORMANCE:** Individuals who have completed their Annual Training Tours at Standiford should receive their checks and earnings statements approximately two weeks after the last day of duty according to Air Force Accounting and Finance Center (AFAFC) officials. The checks will be mailed to persons mailing address. Individuals who are performing their Unit Annual Training Tours in a deployed status (i.e. Savannah, Bergstrom, Eglin) will receive their checks on the last duty day of the tour. These tours have to be longer than 12 days in duration before this procedure can be followed. A "paying agent" will be designated for each deployment.

**PHOTO FINISH CREW PHOTO GROUP SHOTS AVAILABLE:** Commanders seeking group shots of their personnel, who participated in operation Photo Finish, should see Lt Jeff Butcher in the Information Office. A limited amount is available at this time. More photos can be ordered if need be.

TAC AIRCREWS TEST NEW ANTI-G SUITS: RECCE crews could be getting new flight suits if a new testing program meets expectations. Aircrews at three TAC bases and two overseas locations are testing new anti-gravity suits designed to better protect pilots of tactical aircraft. The four new types of anti-G suits are being tested at the Tactical Air Weapons Center, Eglin AFB, Fla.; Langley AFB, Va.; Myrtle Beach AFB, S.C.; Clark AB, Philippines; and Kadena AB, Japan.

Anti-G suits are designed to counter gravitational forces in high speed aircraft. They are wrap-around garments that extend down from the waist and the calves. Using air pressure, anti-G suits aid the wearer in constricting the lower extremities of the body. This prevents the blood from flowing away from the brain to lower parts of the body when the wearer is exposed to centrifugal forces inside the aircraft, thus preventing blackouts. If adopted, the new suits will replace all existing ones on an attrition basis and will become the single standard anti-G suit for Air Force and Navy fliers.

SAFETY OFFICE SHOOT'S STRAIGHT AT RIFLE MATCH: The Kentucky Air National Guard, represented by Lt Wells and MSgt Engle of the Safety Office, won three prizes at the Early Bird High Power Rifle Match. Seventy-two shooters from Ohio, Kentucky, Illinois and Indiana competed in the match at Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

MSgt Engle won the tough expert class with a score of 98 out of a possible 100 in the rapid fire sitting match at 200 yards. Shooting with an M-14, MSgt Engle had two bulls eyes and beat his closest competitor by one point. Lt Wells won two matches in the beginners class. The performance was remarkable considering Lt Wells had only shot his M-14 on two occasions before approaching the fire line. He won the slow fire standing at 200 yards with a score of 91 and two bulls eyes out of a possible 100. With a score of 187 and two bulls eyes out of a possible 200, Lt Wells won the beginners slow fire prone match at 500 yards. The high scores were made possible with the excellent coaching from MSgt Engle and Capt Durbin. This match helped gain experience for the coming match against the Army National Guard. Hager Hollon, a master class shooter, was the only Kentucky Army Guardsman to beat MSgt. Engle.

AFA IS NOT 'OFFICER ONLY': The annual Air Force Association (AFA) membership drive is half way home. As in previous years, according to CMSgt Norman O. Gallion, TAC senior enlisted advisor, one of the greatest misconceptions concerning the AFA is that it represents officers only. That's simply not true, Chief Gallion states. In fact, more than 33,000 AFA members, representing some 21 percent of the total Air Force Association membership, are enlisted-- active, retired, reserve or Air National Guard. Each year at its national convention, AFA adopts a policy paper on defense manpower issues. This paper tells everyone what personnel programs AFA supports. Many of these programs are totally for enlisted people, such as junior enlisted travel entitlements, a fully funded Airmen Education and Commissioning Program and elimination of per diem inequities, to name a few. The AFA also offers, through its "Salute Program", all graduates of NCO academies a one-year complimentary membership in the association. The Air Force magazine is part of that membership.

MORE RESERVE, ANG OFFICERS INVITED TO RETURN TO ACTIVE DUTY: An invitation to voluntarily return to active duty has been extended to 250 Reserve and Air National Guard officers. The latest group of officers includes 61 pilots, 16 navigators and 173 officers in various support fields. Three selection boards have chosen more than 650 volunteers from 1,219 applicants during this fiscal year. Officers interested in applying for voluntary return to active duty should contact the Air Reserve Personnel Center (DPRP), Denver, CO 80280, or call them toll-free at (800) 525-1964.