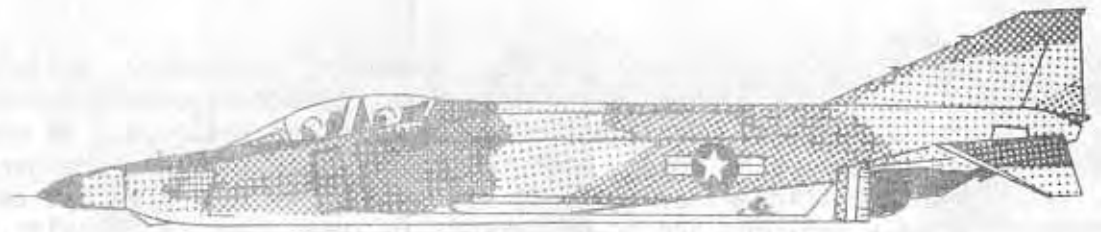




# THE PHANTOM'S EYE



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## IN MEMORIAM

Funeral services were held this morning for TSgt Patrick W. Werner, 37, at the Foreman Funeral Home, Jeffersonton. Sergeant Werner was an eight-year veteran of the Air National Guard. The body will be interred at Greensburg, Ky.

He is survived by his wife Wanda Sue and two children, Karen and William.

At the time of his death he was serving as the Equipment Operator's Section supervisor, 123d Civil Engineering Flight. He had served on active duty with the U.S. Army prior to joining the KyANG in December 1970.

Brig Gen Billy G. Wellman, Ky. Adjutant General, issued a special order saying, "The Kentucky Air National Guard mourns the loss of Sergeant Werner and extends deepest sympathies to the members of his family."

**AT LAST! SURVIVOR BENEFITS:** Members of the Guard will remember the 2d session of the 95th Congress for having corrected a 30-year inequity regarding survivor benefits. Since the concept of a Guard and Reserve retirement came into being in 1948 the program has been flawed by the restriction which barred any payment to the survivor of a Guardsman who died before reaching age 60. Public Law 95-397 enables an individual member of the Guard, on his own initiative and when qualified for retirement (e.g., upon completion of 20 years creditable service) to elect a retirement annuity for his spouse in the event of his death prior to age 60. As more actuarial information becomes available it will be published. Guardsmen having 20 years of service are advised to contact CBPO regarding the three options.

**1979 ANG BOWLING TOURNAMENT:** All members of the Kentucky Air National Guard are eligible to participate in the 17th Annual ANG Bowling Tourney to be held at Terre Haute, Indiana during April 20-22, 1979. Anyone interested should contact MSgt Harris Borland, Rm 146, O&T Bldg or call OB phone 10. Participants need to be identified no later than January 15, 1979.

**CHAPLAIN'S CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE:** It is customary to bring money or canned goods to the chaplain's office during the December UTAs. Chaplain Robert Williams has made a special request for generosity because the need is great.

**LAST WARNING -GET YOUR BUMPER STICKERS!** Beginning in January, vehicles without Base Regulation Stickers displayed on the left front bumper will be allowed to park only in the Club parking lot. Vehicles found parked illegally, (i.e., in unmarked spaces, on grass, or shoulders of roads, etc.) will have their stickers removed and will not be issued another sticker for at least six months. This action has become necessary because too many vehicles are being parked in areas that block exits and fire lanes. Bumper stickers are available from the Security Police. You will have to display both the yellow and blue tags to gain entrance to the base.

**KY NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULED:** The 48th Annual General Conference of the National Guard Association of Kentucky will be held in Lexington on March 2-4, 1979. The business sessions and most conference events will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Officers will be receiving additional information through special mailings and The Kentucky Guardsman. Resolutions may be forwarded to Col Raymond E. Wallace at the Association office prior to February 1st. Nominations for elected offices should be addressed to Lt Col Jack M. Crouner, c/o the Association office, Boone National Guard Center, Frankfort, KY 40601. January 1, 1979 is the deadline for nominations.

**100TH DIVISION MILITARY BALL:** The 100th Division, U.S. Army Reserve has invited all officers of the KyANG to their second annual military ball, December 8, 1978 at the Knights of Columbus Club on River Road. Set-ups, ice, beer, chips and pretzels will be provided. Reservations may be made by calling 459-3796. Tickets are \$7.50 per couple and may be picked up at the door.

**ANG SEMINAR FOR DIRECT COMMISSIONED OFFICERS:** The ANG Seminar for Direct Commissioned Officers has scheduled three final classes at the I.G. Brown PME Center. Due to declining participation these classes (March 11-23, May 13-25, and July 15-27) will be the last classes provided. The course is designed to provide mid-level management with communicative skills training and professional development opportunity. Officers through the grade of major are available. The course has been extremely well received by those who have attended. Officers who were commissioned directly are encouraged to attend.

#### **RED FLAG COMBAT TRAINING**

Red Flag is a realistic combat training program conducted at Nellis AFB, Nev. Conceived in 1974, Red Flag has recently completed its 26th four-week

exercise. The exercises use the Nellis AFB range complex to present a realistic combat environment to participating units.

The unique value of Red Flag is that its scenarios closely simulate a real air and electronic order of battle. These scenarios allow Air Force aircrews to gain valuable combat-like experience by flying approximately 10 missions. Statistics from past conflicts indicate that if a pilot can survive the first 10 missions, the odds are that he will survive the conflict. The need for Red Flag training will increase because the number of aircrews with combat experience continues to decline. Plans call for a continuation of Red Flag with 10 exercises a year.

#### **FRIENDS OF MUSEUM**

Air Force people who wish to may become a "Friend of the Air Force Museum Foundation, with an annual membership of \$10 that includes a newsletter, a picture book and discounts on museum gift and book shops. Applications for memberships are available by writing to the Director, Air Force Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433.

# COMMANDER'S COLUMN

With the arrival of December, we should take time to compare the year's accomplishments with the goals set at the beginning of Calendar Year 1978. These goals are:

AN ACCIDENT FREE FLYING YEAR As of this date, we have experienced no aircraft accidents. A letter from the Commander of 12AF, dated 16 Nov 78, states: "Your current record of 26 months without a Class A Flying Accident leads all wings of the 12AF."

MAINTAIN C-1 STATUS We achieved and retained the Designated Operational Capability (DOC) factors equating to a C-1 rating.

PASS ALL USAF INSPECTIONS A number of areas have been rated as excellent and outstanding; others have been described as marginal and unsatisfactory; however, overall ratings were satisfactory.

ATTAIN AND MAINTAIN 100 PERCENT PERSONNEL STRENGTH We are above 100% strength not due to recruiting and retention but as a result of reorganization which reduced manning.

IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF TACTICAL, TECHNICAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING The Stan/Eval, 2 MEI's, and Advisory Assistance Reports describe training as well above standards with observable improvements in some areas.

COMPLETION OF RAMP LIGHTING, HANGAR, AND OPERATIONS BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS Accomplished.

ENHANCE THE LOCAL PUBLIC IMAGE OF THE GUARD Verbal and written response from individuals / institutions / organizations evidence an increased appreciation of the role and mission of this unit.

ATTAIN THE DESIRED LEVEL OF EXCELLENCE BY YEAR'S END TO ALLOW SUBMISSION FOR ONE OF THE AIR FORCE OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARDS The desired level was achieved, in our opinion, and preparation of award recommendation is currently in progress.

With justifiable pride in the CY 1978 record, let us resolve to press on to higher goals in CY 1979.

# PROMOTIONS

SSG Max S. Alford.....CSS  
SSG Timothy R. Gilbert.....CE  
SSG Donald R. Hefner.....CAM  
SSG Ruth A. Mathis.....TRW  
SSG Michael L. Schmidt.....CAM  
SRA Mitchell R. Best.....Comm Flt  
SRA Aaron Carter Jr.....CE  
SRA Patricia A. Dennis.....TRW  
SRA Charlene T. Winebrenner.....CE  
AIC George W. Naiser.....CAM  
AIC Kenneth D. Schuler.....CSS  
AIC James M. Smith.....165 TRS

# GRADUATES

AMN Walter L. Brewer.....CAM  
Inertial & Radar Nav, Keesler AFB  
TSG James S. Harned.....CSS  
NCOA, McGhee-Tyson ANGB  
AB Marcus B. Johnson.....CAM  
Jet Engine, Chanute AFB  
AB Jude A. Kolb.....165 TRS  
Photoprocessing, Lowry AFB  
AB Larry M. McKnight.....CSS  
Personnel Spec, Keesler AFB  
MSG Stewart W. Ray.....CSS  
NCOA, McGhee-Tyson ANGB  
SSG Mark C. Strelow.....Comm Flt  
Org/Inst Main, Lackland AFB  
AB Bonnie J. Stitch.....Hosp  
Medical Spec, Sheppard AFB

# SANTA'S MAIL BAG

Det 2, 11th Weather Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska, will carry on a 24-year tradition again this year for children throughout the world. People who would like a child to receive a letter post-marked from the North Pole should first write the letter they want the child to receive "from Santa." Then the letter should be mailed with a stamped envelope addressed to the youngster to: Det 2, 11th Weather Sq, Santa's Mail Bag, Eielson AFB, AR 99702. Volunteers from the detachment will personalize the letter with Christmas illustrations and mail it back to the child with a North Pole post mark.

# SAFETY SEZ

1978 has been a banner year for the KYANG and every member of the unit can take pride in our superior safety record. Before "Auld Acquaintance" waltzes out the door with 1978, take time to reflect on what you did to make that record - you passed an IG Inspection, you participated in 2 deployments plus field training, you got the job done, and did it safely! Now make a resolution for 1979 to do even more. Let's get rid of the fender benders and first aid injuries. Give the unit, your loved ones, and yourself a SAFE NEW YEAR.

## Shop For Safety When Buying Christmas Toys

If your shopping list includes buying Christmas gifts for children this year, then most likely you'll be purchasing toys. Careful toy selection and proper supervision of children at play is the best way to prevent toy-related injuries. Consider these safety tips when buying toys for Christmas.

Keep in mind the child's age, interests and skill level.

Look for quality design and construction in toys for all ages.

Make sure all directions or instructions are clear—to you—and more importantly, to the child.

Be a label reader. Look for safety labels including: "Non-toxic", "Flame Retardant/Flame Resistant", "Washable/Hygienic Materials", and also labels with age recommendations.

Beware of these hazards on toys:

**SHARP EDGES**—Brittle plastic or glass toys can break, exposing sharp edges. Poor construction on wooden, metal and plastic toys can also expose dangerous parts. Pins and staples can easily puncture a child.

**SMALL PARTS**—Tiny toys and toys with small parts, such as squeakers or stuffing, can be swallowed or become lodged in a child's windpipe, ears or nose.

**LOUD NOISES**—Some noise-making toys can produce sounds that may damage hearing. Watch for warning labels.

**PROPELLED OBJECTS**—Projectiles and other flying toys can be turned into weapons and injure eyes in particular. Arrows or darts used by children should have soft cork tips, rubber suction cups or other protective tips.

**WRONG TOY FOR THE WRONG AGE**—Toys that might be safe for older children may be dangerous for little ones.

**ELECTRIC TOYS**—Electric toys that are improperly constructed, wired or misused can shock or burn. Electric toys must meet mandatory requirements for maximum surface temperatures, electrical construction and prominent warning labels. Toys with heating elements are recommended only for children over eight years old.

## CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

### MAKE ROOM FOR ONE MORE

Christmas is many things to many people. To some it's a renewal of faith. To children it's the excitement of Santa Claus. To adults it's a time to share.

But for others, Christmas can be a time of loneliness. Holiday songs, decorations and all the symbols of the season merely heightens the anguish of separation from friends and relatives.

Psychiatrists say Christmas can be a crisis time. Emotional difficulties increase during this normal joyous time.

Military people know how it feels to spend Christmas alone. So - if this Christmas finds you with your family, why not share your home and table with someone? Make room for one more! It may brighten and enrich everyone's enjoyment.

After all, Christmas began with a Bethlehem innkeeper who made room for one more.

## ENLISTMENTS

SSgt James E. Bryan, Jr.....	CAM
TSgt James P. Cantrell .....	165th
AIC Thomas J. Cassell .....	CSS
SRA Ricky A. Caudill .....	CE
SRA Gary L. Hubbard .....	CE
AIC Phillip E. Pryor, Sr.....	CE
SRA Terry W. Powell .....	CAM
AIC William E. Mullins .....	CE
SSgt Shirley A. Rudolph .....	TRW
SRA Bradd D. Stanley .....	CE
SSgt Dale A. Salyers .....	TRW
SSgt Perry D. Stogner .....	CE
AB Paul A. Thomas .....	CAM
AB Dale R. West .....	CE

## APPOINTMENTS

Capt. Donald E. Goaley .....	165th
Capt. Patricia J. Horsey .....	Hosp
Capt. Peter O. Kaiser .....	165th