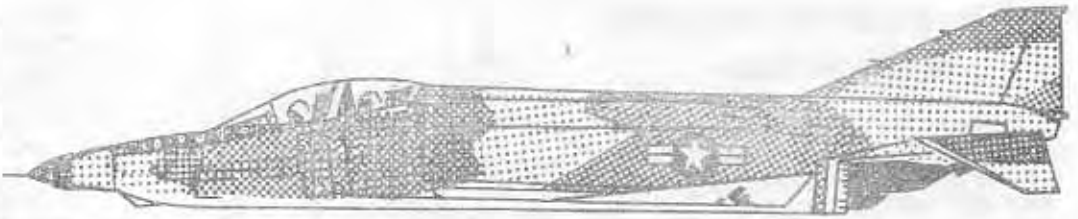




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GUARD/RESERVE ADVISORY PANEL SCHEDULES FEBRUARY MEETING

Air National Guardsmen and Reservists get their chance to speak out at the 16th annual meeting of the ANG/AFR Non-commissioned Officer and Airman Advisory Panel next month.

The panel provides all enlisted personnel the opportunity to express their views and to participate in the formulation of policies and programs affecting their future in the Air National Guard. Originators of agenda items should determine to the best of their ability that all submissions require policy determination and are in the best interest of the Air National Guard.

All Air National Guard enlisted personnel are invited to submit recommendations and suggestions for the panel's consideration. Recommendations should be sent before the Feb. 3-4 meeting to:

Resident Secretary
ANG/AFR NCO & Airman Advisory
Panel
ARPC/XPXP
Denver, CO 80280

CHAPLAINS' OFFICE ACTIVE DURING CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

A total of \$454.07 was collected during the November and December drills for "Dare to Care," a service organization in Louisville. In addition, many items of clothing, toys and canned goods were donated.

On December 12, a group of 18 teenagers and two leaders from the Shelter House in Louisville, were taken out for lunch at the Banquet Table in Okolona. Afterwards the group was escorted by Chaplain Tommy Smith on a tour of the base. Shelter House is a place where runaways can find food and lodging for a short period of time.

Over 60 people attended the special Christmas service on base December 19.

Upon panel approval, recommendations are forwarded to the Director of the Air National Guard. A status and/or disposition report will be provided by ARPC to the originators of each submission following the conclusion of the panel meeting.

DECEMBER PROMOTIONS

December promotions for Kentucky Air Guardsmen included captain's bars for 1st. Lt. Daniel G. Jones Jr., 123rd Resources Management Squadron, and Chief Master Sergeant's stripes for SMSgt. Samuel M. Duncan, assigned to KyANG Headquarters.

Others promoted last month were:

To Technical Sergeant (E-6)
SSgts. Randle L. McNeely, 123rd CAM Sq.; Gary L. Walz, 123rd CE Flt.; William H. Willis Jr., 123rd CAM Sq.

To Staff Sergeant (E-5)
Sgts. John T. Egli, 123rd TAC Hosp.; and Terry W. Lutz, 123rd CSSq.

To Senior Airman (E-4)
A1Cs Norman M. Busch Jr., 123rd CE Flt.; Gary L. Dunlap, 123rd CAM Sq.; Mamie L. Hall, 123rd RM Sq.; Kim T. Madison, 123rd CAM Sq.; Ronald G. Noel, 123rd Comm Flt.; George E. Sexton, 123rd Comm Flt.; and Paul A. Thomas, 123rd CAM Sq.

To Airman First Class (E-3)
Airmen Michael L. Markwell, 123rd CAM Sq., and Beverly G. Pierce, 123rd CAM Sq.



Maj. Gen. Billy G. Wellman, Kentucky Adjutant General, presents Col. John M. Karibo, 123d Tactical Hospital commander with a 30 year distinguished service plaque during the December UTA awards ceremony. Col. Winfred L. Appleby, communication staff officer, (center) is the recipient of the U.S. Air Force's Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding service to the Kentucky Air National Guard.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

February 7 - 8

March 7 - 8

April 4 - 5

ENLISTED ASSOCIATION NEWS

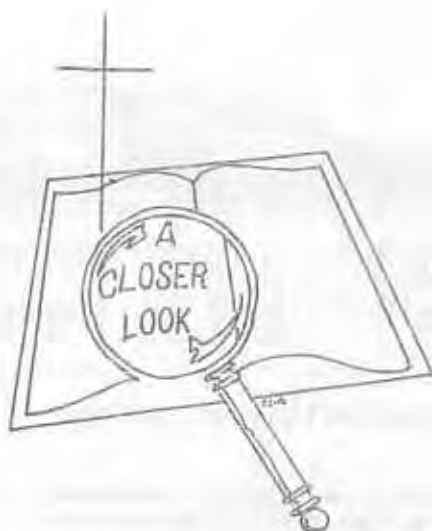
By MSgt. Bob Denton

President Jim Garritson, Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States, has officially opened the EANGUS building fund as of Dec. 13, 1980, and the Kentucky EANG is supporting this effort by asking every Guardsperson in the state, officers and enlisted, to contribute one dollar to the fund. I have started the Ky. Fund off with \$50 and I hope those who can afford it will follow suit, or at least contribute the \$1 that President Garritson has asked for. Persons who contribute \$50 or more will be suitably recognized. Checks should be made payable to EANGUS Building Fund, and can be mailed to Ken Bruner, EANGKy treasurer, at P. O. Box 21275, Louisville, Ky. 40221, or to Bob Denton or Wayne Smith at the 165th TRS.

The purpose of the fund is to build our own office space in Washington to house our records and provide an office for our full time employees, the first of whom will be hired by July 1, 1981. This building will locate EANGUS where the nation's legislative actions take place, and where our goals to enhance the status, welfare, and professionalism of the enlisted members of the national Guard will be accomplished. Contributions are tax deductible. There will be a collection point in the snack bar for those who wish to contribute.

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By Chaplain Tommy Smith

1981—What will it bring? Will it be a year of an upsurge in the economy or another year of ever-growing hardships? Will peace come to every nation on earth or will we be on the verge of a world war before the day ends?

These questions are pointed and probing. They bring varied answers and emotions. Some of us secretly wish we had our own crystal ball that we could use to foresee the future.

Yet, I wonder if any of us would truly enjoy looking into tomorrow? If all of our tomorrows would bring us happiness and success, we would cherish this hidden glance. But, more than likely, our fear of possible hardships and sorrows would probably make us hesitant to gaze into the ball.

The Bible is plain when it exhorts us to "BOAST NOT THYSELF OF TOMORROW, FOR THOU KNOWEST NOT WHAT A DAY MAY BRING FORTH." This clearly implies that we should concern ourselves primarily with life today. There's nothing we can do to keep tomorrow from dawning. In fact, we are encouraged by Jesus to not "worry" over tomorrow and what it might bring (Matthew 6:19-34). To borrow trouble from tomorrow is to invite fearful living for today.

Many have taken the above scripture and twisted it around to form the foundation for a "here-and-now" philosophy. They say "If we're to avoid boasting about tomorrow, then we should simply concern ourselves with right now with no thought for tomorrow." As inviting as this might seem, it is a near-sighted attitude that will ultimately end in disaster.

To live for the present and ignore planning for tomorrow is foolish. The

Old Testament records that we are to "LOOK TO THE ANT THOU SLUGGARD." Everyone knows the proverbial ant's tedious preparation for the coming winter.

We also are encouraged to learn from the parable of the rich farmer, who had a bumper crop one year and tore down his barns to build bigger ones. When he had finished, he said, "EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY, SOUL, THOU HAST DONE WELL." Yet, God called him a fool because he had made no preparations for his future appointment with his Maker.

Let you begin to despair and wonder where the "happy medium" is, let me share with you the key to victorious living in the here-and-now:

1. Align your life with that which is lasting. To do that, you must commit your life to Jesus Christ, for He and He alone is the Rock of Ages. In Christ you will find eternal assurance and peace of mind, which the world knows nothing of.

2. Yield your life to the Risen Lord. All too often Christ is Someone we're vaguely familiar with. Yes, we read about Him in Sunday School and we know what He came to do, but we're unaware of the fact that He's to be a living presence in our lives. Life in Christ is more than the right doctrine and practice. Life in Christ is realizing that you are to be "AN EARTHEN VESSEL WITH A MOST PRECIOUS TREASURE."

3. Renew your vows and confess your sins on a daily basis. There are none of us who are able to walk totally in the footsteps of Jesus. However, to be vessels fit for the Master's use, we must renew our allegiance unto Him on a daily basis. And above all, we must confess our sins daily. Otherwise, we would soon get to the point where we feel we haven't sinned.

The New Year will either be exciting or frightening. It will be exciting if approached hand-in-hand with Christ. It will be frightening if we seek to face it alone. It's my prayer that you'll dedicate this New Year to the God who specializes in the Land of New Beginnings. Why not claim His promise right now: "THEREFORE, IF ANY MAN BE IN CHRIST HE IS A NEW CREATION: OLD THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY, BEHOLD ALL THINGS ARE BECOME NEW."

Office Hours--

10:00 - 11:30 AM Saturday

1:30 - 3: PM Sunday

PRESIDENT BOOSTS VETERANS' BENEFITS

PUBLIC LAW 96-466:

Changes in veterans-educational benefits went into effect recently when the president signed the veterans benefits legislation into law.

Public Law 96-466:

* Authorized an overall 10 percent increase in educational assistance benefits for service members eligible for the old GI Bill. (This includes service members who served on active duty or were in the delayed enlistment program before Jan. 1, 1977.)

The 10 percent increase will be implemented in two steps — a 5 percent increase effective Oct. 1 and 5 percent effective Jan. 1, 1981. The monthly assistance rates effective Jan. 1 will be:

Program Type	Single member	One family members
Full time	\$327	\$389
¾ time	\$245	\$292
½ time	\$146	\$195
Work/Study	\$246	\$309

Program Type	Two family members	Each additional family member
Full time	\$443	\$27
¾ time	\$332	\$20
½ time	\$222	\$14
Work/Study	\$351	\$21

The new law also changes other veterans' benefits including:

* Increasing VA home-loan guarantees for conventional homes from \$25,000 to \$37,000, and mobile-home guarantees from \$17,500 to \$20,000.

* Paying up to \$5,000 for special housing adjustments for certain veterans with service-connected disabilities.

* Supplying headstones or grave markers for veterans' family members buried in state veteran cemeteries.

* And improving pensions for military retirees whose retirement income falls below the poverty level.

Also the law provides relief to veterans who bought houses during high-interest-rate periods and later found they could refinance at lower rates. In the past, say VA officials, the property had to be sold and the mortgage paid off before the veteran could get another VA loan. The law now allows refinancing of a present VA-guaranteed mortgage-loan.

* Adjusts Veterans Education Assistance Program minimum and maximum contributions. Minimum VEAP contribution is reduced from \$50 to \$25 and the maximum contribution increased from \$75 to \$100.

* Reduces Veterans Administration flight-training payments to 60 percent of costs. The previous amount paid was 90 percent. Veterans enrolled in flight-training programs are eligible for VA educational loans of up to \$2,500 per year.

* Reduces the VA correspondence-training payment to 70 percent of costs. Previous amount was 90 percent.

The law does not include a Senate proposal to extend the old GI Bill's use-or-lose date of Dec. 31, 1989. The House Veterans Affairs Committee has made a commitment to review that issue during next year's efforts to design an all-volunteer-force GI Bill. (AFNS)

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S POLICY ON CIVIL RIGHTS REVIEWED

Maj. Gen. Billy G. Wellman, Kentucky Adjutant General, reminds KyANG personnel of organizational policy pertaining to civil rights.

It is the policy of TAG Ky, IAW ANGR 30-12 and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that no person in the KyANG shall, on the grounds of race,

color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

Any person or persons who believe that they are subjected to discrimination prohibited by ANGR 30-12 may file a complaint. Attempts should be made to resolve the problem informally within the State. Unit commanders or Social

Actional offices are the appropriate points of contact. All complaints filed at the State level (para 8e, ANGR 30-12) will be forwarded through military chan-

nels to the Adjutant General. If the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the complainant at the State level, the complaint, together with all comments will be forwarded by TAG Ky to the Chief, National Guard Bureau.