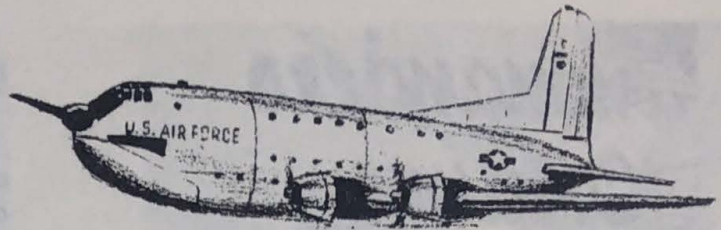


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New Air Evac Squadron Joins 937th Military Rank

The 937th adds a new Air Evacuation Squadron to its ranks. Designated as the 73rd AE Flight, the new squadron will total 56 personnel added to the 974 present strength of the Group. Included will be 20 nurses.

At the present there are 11 Air Evacuation Squadrons which will be deactivated and under the new organization 15 new Airomedical Evacuation Flights will be born.

The new organization will provide the Military Airlift Command (MAC) with an expanded capability to perform its worldwide Airomedical Evacuation Mission.

As part of the 937th MAG, flying training support will be provided and the squadron will provide the 937th with an immediate airomedical crew, capable of medical evacuation mission as required.

The Air Force announced that the reorganization will increase the flexibility if the mission.

Already preparing for the reorganization, the 937th has four nurses who have earned their 'wings' in the past few months at the Airomedical school at Brooks AFB, Texas.



PRACTICING ONE OF the functions of air evacuation, two dispensary airmen carry a patient onto a C-124 under the watchful eye of nurse, Lt Carder.

Air Force OC, 27 Dec 66-1100

Commanders Column

PERSONAL CONFERENCE PERIOD

Any personnel who wish to air views or complaints are urged to do so with our Executive Officer, Lt Col Von Stein, Commanders Office, Bldg 1030, Room 216, at 1600, 15 January 1967.

Most instructors in public speaking say a lecturer should start his speech with a light, ear catching statement complementing his audience.

This gets them on his side and interested in what he has to say and already leaning to be helpful to his plight if any requests are made.

I state, the 937th MAG has shown itself to be the best in CAC in many ways. Others compliment us, we compliment each other, and we feel pleased within ourselves to be a part of this organization.

We are proud when someone asks us what unit we belong to. All of us know that we are here, working to do a job, to be the best. And why, because we are Minute Men, interested in our nations welfare, ready, voluntarily, to drop our tools of civilian life and repair the base at the commander's call. There are no members of the 937th that are anything but dedicated volunteers and the records, in fact, state this.

Now, with pleasant thoughts of how good we are, and the knowledge that we can do the job better than anyone, let us look at a few ways to improve ourselves so no one can ever be better than us in any way.

The Air Force Regulations deny Preferential Treatment for required duties. We all volunteered to serve under these regulations and therefore must repair to formations.

The 5-BX, the immunization program, the seat belt program, etc., are not things to be done when it is convenient or when we like to. They are requirements. To wear the uniform, it must be done according to regulations, not personal whim.

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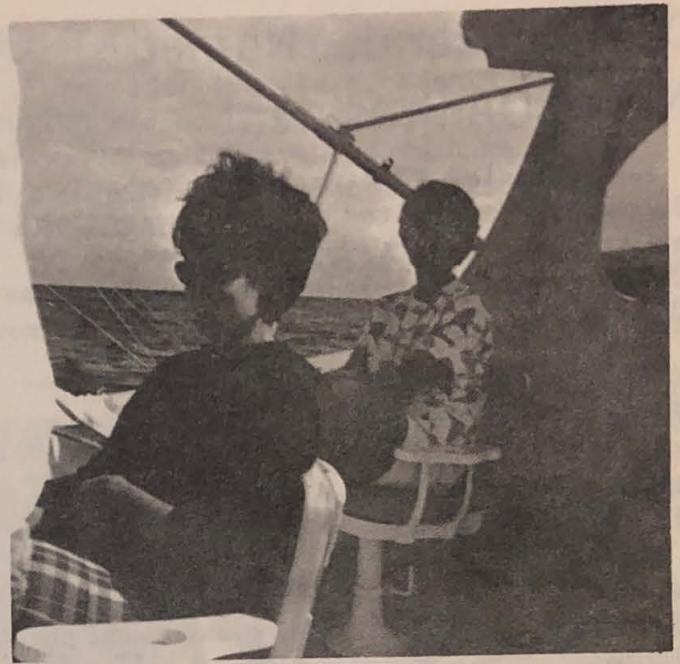
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We must all get to work on time, not just the mechanic, the plumber, and the pilot. Why doesn't each man take stock of himself and see what he can do to make himself look better, his unit work a little better, and other units work a lot easier.

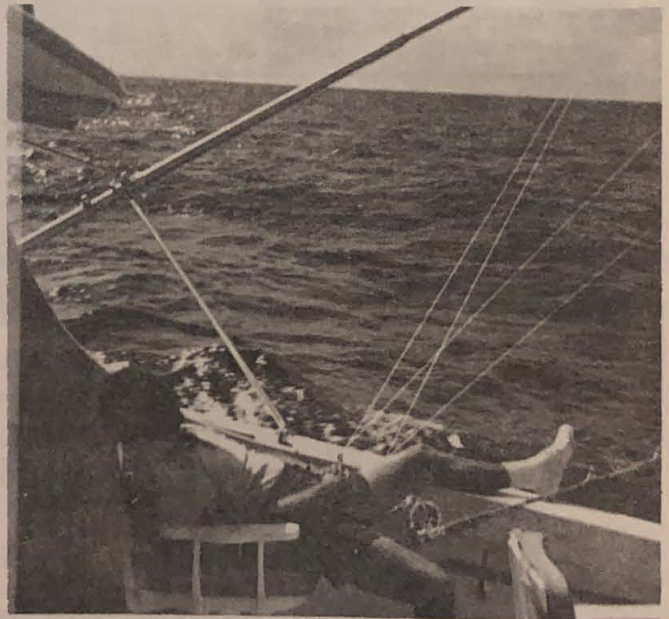
Do the little things required without being dragged there by another individual. Your dislike is usually somebody else's job.

Again let us take the oath of a volunteer in the "Best in CAC" to do our part to make every unit's tasks, as well as our own, easier and better.

Maj Perry, Commander
TAC Dispensary



Some lucky members of the 937th found themselves taking advantage of facilities near Homestead AFB, Miami, Fla. over Thanksgiving weekend. (Upper left) Col Huff relaxes while waiting for a strike. (Upper right) Nurses Cecilia Mathews and Leona Carder relax on the fishing boat. (Lower left) Lt Leona Carder and guide friend show off her catch. (Lower right) Maj Bob Williams decides to keep Col Huff's chair warm. Also, Maj Carry (not pictured) reeled in a 17ft sail fish.



ONLY TWO MORE WORKING DAYS UNTIL THE FEBURARY INSPECTION

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Capt. Alexander Named New ROA President

Capt Stanley W. Alexander, Combat Support, was elected to a one-year term as president of the 937th's Reserve Officers Association during the December UTA.

Two vice presidents were elected, with one being called "vice president for air." Maj Wilburn Williamson, maintenance, was elected to this position and Capt Carrol C. Ballard, 305th, is the other vice president.

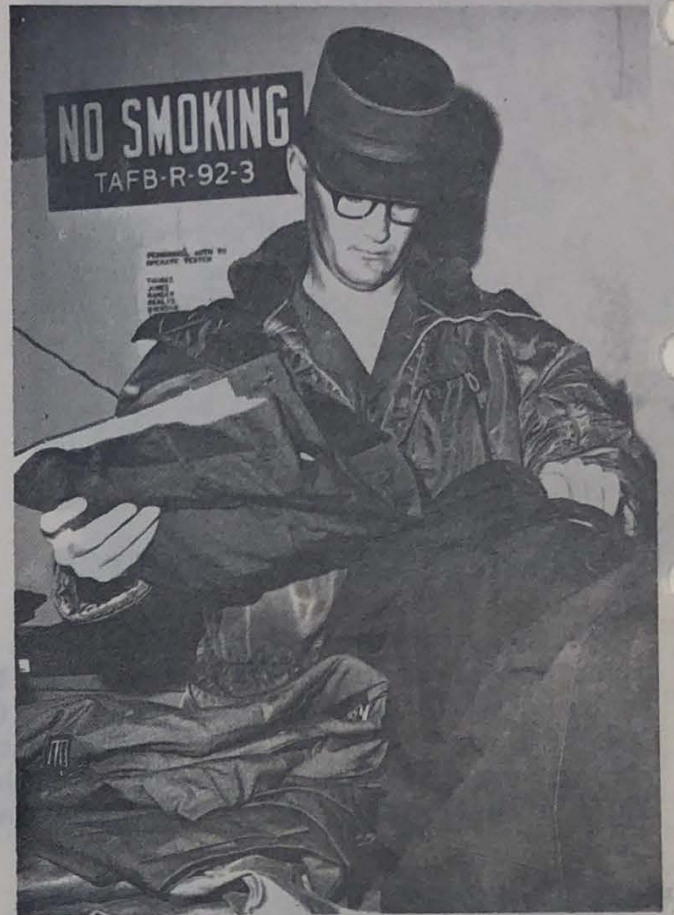
Serving as secretary for the group will be Lt Jean Hudson, dispensary. Treasurer will be Maj Jim Anderson, Supply.

Maj Bob Williams, group headquarters, and Capt Warren Klima, safety officer, have been elected to the association's executive committee.

Alexander was elected to the job which he took over from his vice president's slot last year when the elected president resigned his post and cleared the unit.



OLD AND NEW -- Style change for blue uniform, the first since 1950, shows wide lapels and outside pockets, left, will give away to narrower lapel and hidden pocket on right. Darker color at right is new blue shade 1549.



ALL 937TH AIRMEN were required to participate in the annual clothing inspection during the December UTA.

WAF's Promised "New Look"

SCOTT AFB, Ill. -- WAF Director Col. Jeanne M. Holm promised a "new look at the whole WAF uniform" in a recent talk with 100 WAF based at Scott.

The petite WAF chief admitted frankly that the uniform women now wear is a product of World War II. She said that padded shoulders, fitted waist lines and boxy collars are "out" now and called for ideas on designing a completely new uniform -- "no matter who wild those ideas may seem!"

Quality most desired in the new design?
-----Femininity, of course!

Chaplin's Corner



EVERY PERSON IS IMPORTANT

Belief in the importance of each person is derived from our faith that man is a creature of God.

It is this faith which has produced belief in the sacredness of human personality and resulted in the philosophy of government which holds that man is "endowed by His Creator with certain inalienable rights."

Each of us is important; and when we lose faith in our own importance or the importance of those with whom we live and work, we fall short of our best efforts and abilities. Sometimes it is hard to believe we are important. Nevertheless, think of the difference individuals have made in this world. Everything worthwhile begins with some individual who believes it needs to be done and can be done.

You may be saying to yourself, "But my sphere of activity is so limited that my influence is negligible."

If so, perhaps you underestimate your abilities and fail to see your opportunities.

Many men have failed, at times, because they underestimated their own abilities and opportunities. General McClellan, for example, failed to strike a decisive blow in the Spring of 1862 for this very reason. Bruce Catton, in his history of the Civil War, This Hallowed Ground, puts it this way:

"He believed he was outnumbered because it was his nature to overestimate his disadvantages. As a result, it was impossible for him to take advantage of his opportunities."

Fatal Accidents Occur at Night

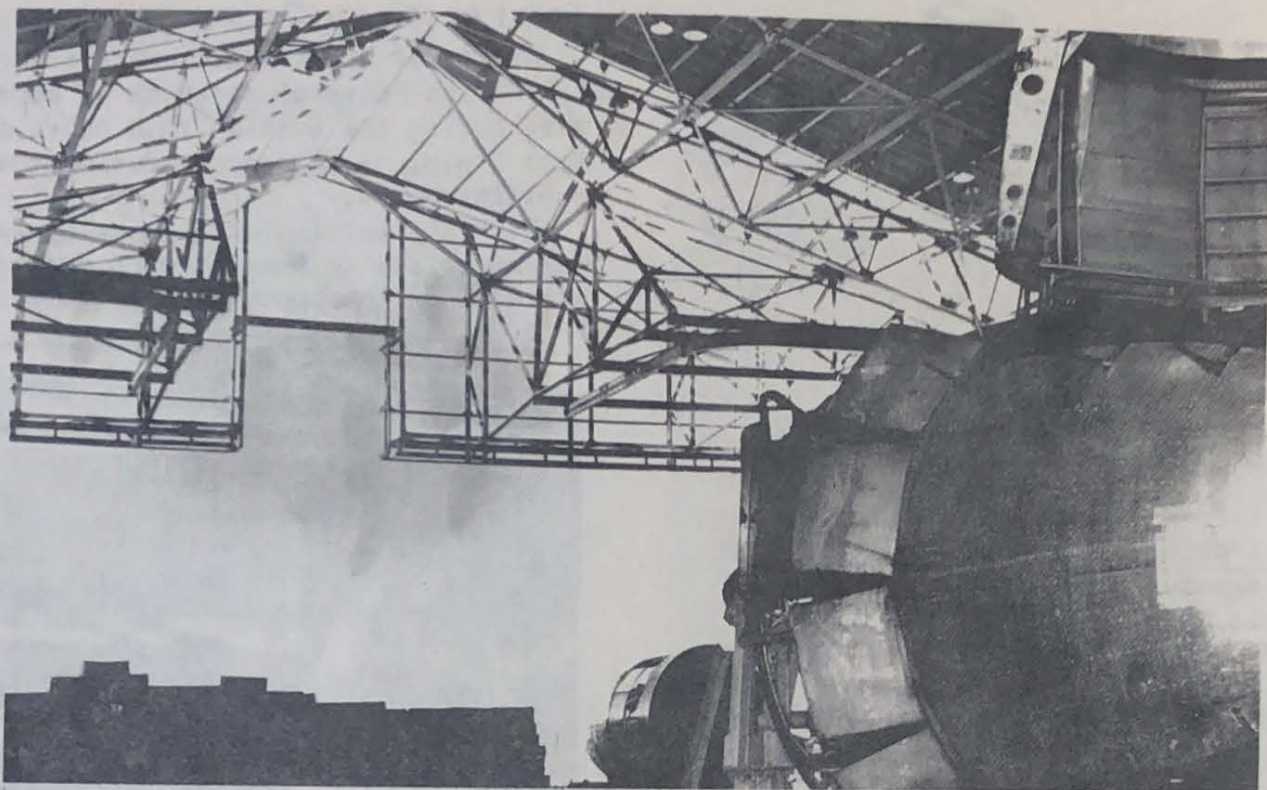
More fatal traffic accidents occur during the hours of darkness -- especially during the evening rush hours of 5 to 8 p.m. -- than occur during the daylight hours.

This is a particularly sobering fact for motorists to keep in mind during winter when the hours of light are short.



MSGT TEMPLETON, food services chief, assists one of his KP's in preparation for the annual Christmas dinner during the December UTA.

We tend to overestimate our disadvantages when we underestimate our abilities. Every man should recognize his own importance and his own abilities. Then, he should use those abilities wherever they are needed. By so doing he is able not only to take advantage of his opportunities but, also, to make a valuable contribution to his fellowmen.



PROGRESS IS BEING MADE on the west end of the 937th's hangar floor in the construction of the aircraft dock. During the December UTA, unit photographer, Jerry Manning, caught this scene from the floor of the hangar where work was being done on the cowling of a C-124 engine.

Have Any Spare Time? Write a Serviceman

Members of the Armed Forces everywhere in the world eagerly look forward to mail from relatives, friends, and neighbors who represent home to them.

If you or your friends do not know a serviceman overseas, but wish to write to one, ask in your hometown for the name and address of someone in your community. Very often local civic organizations, churches, community officials, news media, and veterans organizations will have such information.

It is contrary to Department of Defense policy, for security reasons and for the protection of the individual's privacy, to publish names of servicemen assigned to specific units serving in a foreign country.

Although militarily our servicemen in Vietnam have the best equipment possible,

gifts from home are always welcome. Reading materials (paperback books, magazines, etc.) as well as small games, small toilet articles, and similar small items are most desired.

Person-to-person gifts are preferable, but realize not everyone knows an individual in Service overseas. Therefore, the United States Commander in Viet Nam has said that if gifts are mailed to units rather than individuals, they can be accepted but should be small and of a type that can be used by more than one man. Examples are battery powered radios, portable electric equipment, magazine and newspaper subscriptions, and paperback books. The Commander also asked that before such gifts are sent to units, the donor should write the unit and ask its specific interests or needs.

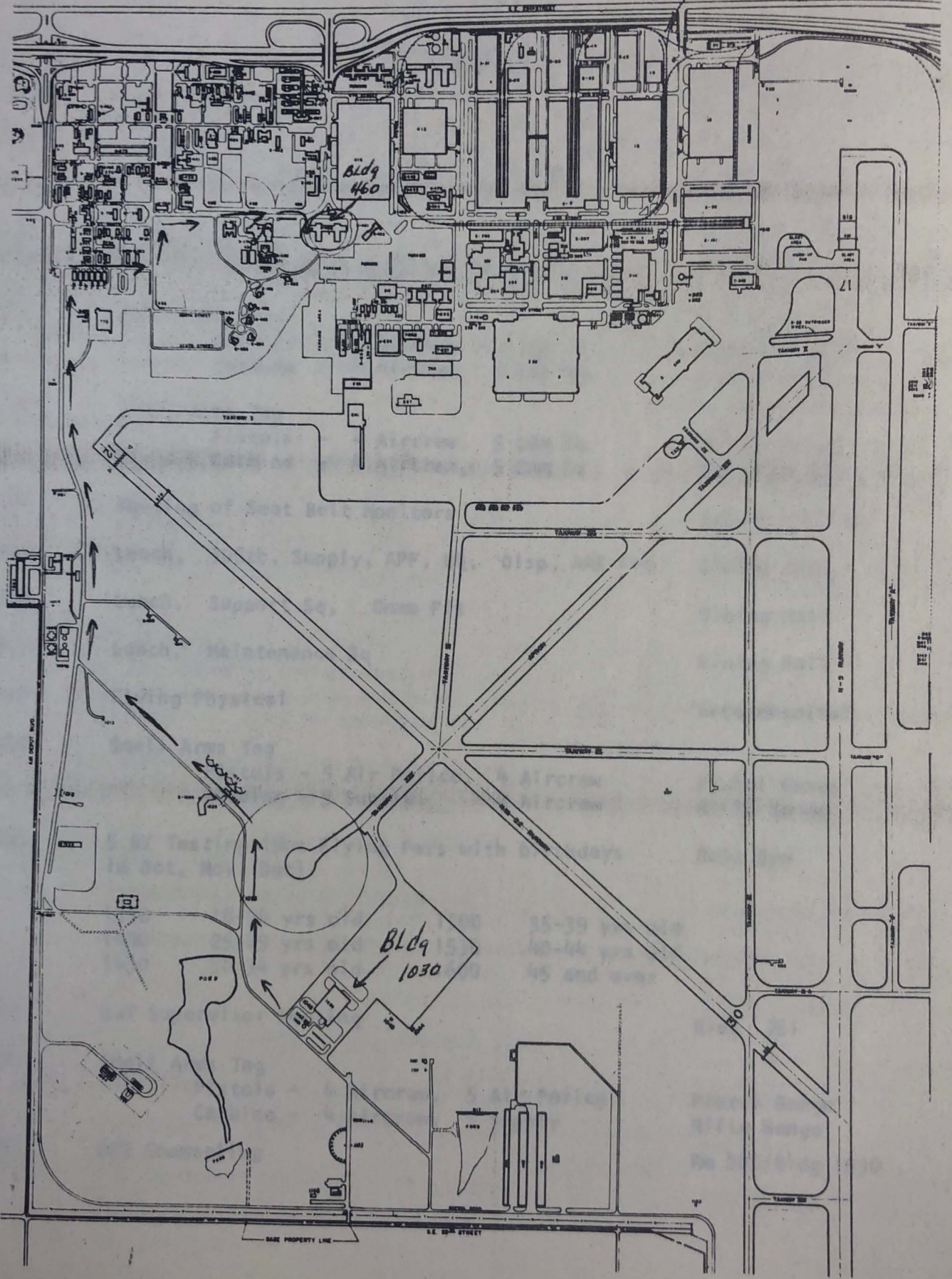
ATTENTION ALL ASSIGNED PERSONNEL

PERSONAL CONFERENCE PERIOD

WHERE: Bldg 460, Room 236 (See attached Map)

WHEN: 1330 hours, 12 Feb 67

In accordance with AFR 123-11, a personal conference period will be held for military and civilian personnel of the 937 Military Airlift Group by a representative of the Inspector General, Hq 22 Air Force at location and time named above.



AREA 'A' - Base Map

U T A SCHEDULE

SATURDAY
11. February 1967

0630 - 0730	Staff Meeting	Bldg 761
0730 - 0800	Sign In Hq, Support, Comm Flt & Supply All others	Base Theater Orderly Rooms
0800 - 1000	Commanders Call Hq, Support, Comm Flt & Supply	Base Theater
0815 - 1000	Small Arms Tng Pistols - 4 Aircrew, 5 CAM Sq Carbine - 4 Aircrew, 5 CAM Sq	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1000 - 1200	Small Arms Tng Pistols - 4 Aircrew, 5 CAM Sq Carbine - 4 Aircrew, 5 CAM Sq	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1100 - 1130	Meeting of Seat Belt Monitors	Safety Office
1130 - 1140	Lunch, 305th, Supply, APF, HQ, Disp, AME Flt	Dining Hall
1140 - 1220	Lunch, Support Sq, Comm Flt	Dining Hall
1220 - 1300	Lunch, Maintenance Sq	Dining Hall
1230 - 1430	Flying Physical	Base Hospital
1230 - 1430	Small Arms Tng Pistols - 5 Air Police, 4 Aircrew Carbine - 5 Supply, 4 Aircrew	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1330 - 1600	5 BX Testing (Non Flying Pers with birthdays in Oct, Nov, Dec)	Base Gym
	1330 18-24 yrs old 1500 35-39 yrs old	
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	1430 30-34 yrs old 1600 45 and over	
1400 - 1500	OJT Supervisor Meeting	Bldg 761
1430 - 1630	Small Arms Tng Pistols - 4 Aircrew, 5 Air Police Carbine - 4 Aircrew, 5 Supply	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1500 - 1600	SKT Counseling	Rm 205/Bldg 1030

Saturday Cont'd.

0500 - 1800	Gp Commanders Meeting with 73 AME	OPS Briefing Rm
1645	Retreat - Supply	East Ramp
	NCO Call	NCO Club
SUNDAY 12 February 1967		
0730 - 0800	Sign in	Orderly Room
0815 - 1000	In Ranks Inspection & Pass-in-Review	Ramp
1000 - 1200	Commanders Call - CAM Sq	Base Theater
1000 - 1200	Small Arms Tng Pistols - 9 Air Police Carbine - 9 Spt Sq	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1000 - 1200	Non-Flying Physicals	Base Hospital
1100 - 1300	Lunch - Same as Saturday	Dining Hall
1130-1530	SKT & End of Course Testing	Bldg 200
1230 - 1430	Small Arms Tng Pistol - 9 Air Police Carbine - 9 Supply	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1230 - 1430	Commanders Call 305th, APF, Disp, AME	OPS Briefing Rm
1330 -	Personal Conference Period with 22 AF IG	Bldg 460, Rm 236
1400 - 1600	5 BX Make up	Base Gym
1400 - 1500	Classification Board	Rm 206/Bldg 1030
1430 - 1630	Small Arms Tng Pistols - 9 Spt Sq Carbine - 9 Sup Sq	Pistol Range Rifle Range
1500 - 1600	Final Briefing by 22 AF IG For Group Staff	OPS Briefing Rm
	Promotion Board	Room 205/Bldg 1030
	NCO Council Meeting	Room 215/Bldg 1030
1645	Retreat - Hq, Disp/AME	East Ramp

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SEAT BELTS: Some difficulty has been experienced in the past in purchasing seat belts from the base service station. This has been resolved and Group personnel with a Reserve ID card & UTA Schedule card can purchase seat belts, gas & oil from the base service station. No other auto supplies can be purchased. Price of belts are \$2.49 pr.

Income Tax Information: Captain Edwards, the Group Legal Officer informed us that all of the charge for 1966 Auto license tag is a deductible item for income tax purposes if you itemize your deductions. This is contained in Title 47, Oklahoma Statue, Section 22.30G, 1965.

BX Information: Enclosed is an extract of TIG Brief No 26, Volume XVIII, 23 Dec 66 that outlines the PX and Commissary privileges for reservist on inactive duty training periods and short tours of active duty such as NPS Appointees, Short or Special tours, school and 45-day invoked tours.

Starting with the February UTA there will not be an early Chow line.

MEMO TO ALL GROUP NCOs

There will be an NCO Call at 1645 hours, 11 Feb 67, at the Base NCO Club. All NCOs are encouraged to attend.

**ENTITLEMENT OF RESERVISTS
TO MILITARY FACILITIES AND SERVICES**

Complaints received reveal the necessity to clarify what facilities and services are authorized Reservists on duty status, and their dependents.

Increased utilization of Reservists, particularly for airlift requirements, has increased their exposure to many active installations in CONUS and overseas. While performing aircrew duties in support of the Air Force mission, Reserve personnel may be on active duty, or active duty for training (ACDUTRA). The definition of active duty in section 101(22), Title 10, U. S. Code Annotated, includes full time training duty and annual training duty. Thus, in many cases, the individual is entitled to use facilities and services available to Regular force personnel.

In one recent case, a base commander would not allow dependents of a Reservist on active duty for training to shop in the base exchange unless accompanied by the individual. Air Force Regulation 147-14 requires only proper identification of the dependent in order to shop. In this case a copy of the active duty order, and a driver's license to identify the person as the wife of the individual, would suffice.

There is a need for all commanders and their staffs to know what facilities and services are authorized Reserve personnel and their dependents. As a step in this direction, the attached chart has been developed to show the most common areas of conflict noted in complaints and the entitlement of Reserve individuals. This information should be disseminated to all personnel concerned, posted on bulletin boards, and placed under BX officials' desk glass.

PRIVILEGES AUTHORIZED FOR RESERVE PERSONNEL

FACILITY OR SERVICE	STATUS OF INDIVIDUAL	
	Short Tour of AD (Note 1)	Inactive Duty Training (Note 2)
Base Exchange (Sec XII, AFR 147-14)	Yes	Yes (Note 3)
Commissary (AFR 145-15)	Yes (Note 4)	No
Theater (Note 5) (AFR 34-32)	Yes	Yes
Open Mess (Note 6) (AFM 176-3)	Yes	Yes
Transient Billeting (AFR 30-23)	Yes	Yes
Field Ration Mess (Para 5-5, AFM 146-1)	Yes	Yes
Clothing Sales (Para 51, chap 2, pt 3, vol 1, AFM 67-1)	Yes	Yes
Uniform Wear (Table 6-1, AFM 35-10)	Yes	Yes
Medical Care (AFR 168-1)	Yes	Yes (Note 7)
Legal Assistance (AFR 110-4)	Yes	(Note 8)

NOTE 1. Active duty as defined in section 101(22), Title 10, U. S. Code Annotated, includes full time training duty and annual training duty. Active duty tours may be either MPA-funded of specified length, performed in support of the Air Force Mission, or RPA-funded tours of active duty for Reserve training (ACDUTRA). These include the tour of ACDUTRA performed by nonprior service (NPS) appointees and enlistees, other short or special tours, school and 45-day invoked tours.

NOTE 2. Reserve training performed, while not on active duty, for which point credit is authorized. This includes unit training assemblies (UTA), training periods, instruction, preparation of instruction, appropriate duty, equivalent training, military flying duty (including additional flying training periods (AFTP)).

NOTE 3. Special privileges, per paragraph 50c(5), AFR 147-14.

NOTE 4. Only when active duty for training is in excess of 72 hours. Sales must not be made to families of Reserve members who are on active duty for less than 31 days. (Para 1a and 1t, AFR 145-15)

NOTE 5. Patronage authorized if duty requires assignment overnight to government quarters. (Para 1a, AFR 34-32)

NOTE 6. Reciprocal use of open mess if individual is an active or associate member in any other open mess and is in a transient or TDY status. If individual is not a member of an open mess, the mess may be used as required for essential feeding when in a travel or transient status. (Para 5 and 5c, AFM 176-3)

NOTE 7. Medical care is not authorized if injury is incurred while enroute to or from inactive duty training or for disease contracted while on, enroute to, or from such training. (Para 5a) It is permitted when "injured in line of duty while not on active duty." (Para 5b, AFR 168-1)

NOTE 8. Generally No, but depending on local capability, some services may be authorized.