314 CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON



MISSION

314 Civil Engineer Squadron mission was to provide base support for a continuous training mission and ensure access for a global airlift mission.

Fire and Rescue personnel from the 314 CES provide emergency services for aircraft related accidents on the tarmac and runway. Led by Chief Norman, Fire and Rescue personnel are expected to reach any site on the flight-line in less than three minutes. To accomplish this mission, they are well trained and supplied with state-of-the-art fire control equipment and rescue gear.

Fire and Rescue personnel from the 314 CES conduct training exercises on their disaster simulator equipment at LRAFB. Operating under the watchful eye of the Chief, the elite fire-fighters of the 314 CES stand ready to respond at a moments notice to any incident involving LRAFB aircraft or personnel. Response time from the flight line fire depot to anywhere on the tarmac is expected to be three minutes or less. The location of the building, constructed in 1955 near the original control tower, was intended to provide coverage for both main runways originally envisioned for the base. Cancellation of the second runway led to the asymmetric location of the fire-house. Plans are in the works for a new station, to be centrally located along the flight line, to provide for shorter response times to incidents at the western end of the air strip.

314 Civil Engineer Squadron consisted of: 216 military, 113 civilians and 44 Individual Mobilization Augmentees.

LINEAGE

314 Installations Squadron, Troop Carrier, Medium, constituted, 4 Oct 1948

Activated, 1 Nov 1948
Redesignated 314 Installations Squadron, 14 Mar 1950
Inactivated, 8 Oct 1957
Redesignated 314 Civil Engineering Squadron, and activated, 14 Sep 1964
Organized, 1 Oct 1964
Redesignated 314 Civil Engineer Squadron, 1 Mar 1994.

STATIONS

Smyrna (later, Sewart) AFB, TN, 1 Nov 1948-8 Oct 1957 Sewart AFB, TN, 1 Oct 1964 Little Rock AFB, AR, 31 Mar 1970

ASSIGNMENTS

314 Air Base Group, 1 Nov 1948-8 Oct 1957 314 Combat Support (later, 314 Support; 314 Mission Support) Group, 1 Oct 1964

COMMANDERS

Lt Col William J. Davies, 1 May 1971 Col Frederick R. Jacobs, 13 Jun 1973 Col Harold J. Brennecke, 26 Apr 1976 Lt Col Richard B. Lewis, 1 Jul 1978 Lt Col Lester B. Ickes, 15 Jun 1980 Col Arthur J. Hartmann, 2 Sep 1980 Col William F. Austin, III, 15 Apr 1983 Lt Col Thomas M. Flowers, 1 Jun 1985 Col William J. Holzknecht, 12 Aug 1985 Col Russell H. Almond, Jr., 28 Nov 1988 Lt Col James W. Kahler, 25 May 1990 Lt Col Timothy N. Beally, 20 Dec 1991 Lt Col Mary L. Vroman, 5 May 1994 Lt Col Edmond B. Keith, 7 Jun 1996 Lt Col Drew D. Jeter, 30 Jun 1998 Lt Col Michael Falino, 3 Aug 2000 Lt Col Robert E. Moriarty, 3 Jun 2002 Maj Marcus J. Henneke Lt Col Richard H. Hamill Lt Col Michael Falino

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

11 Jan-14 Feb 1955

1 Dec 1965-30 Jun 1967

1 Jan 1975-30 Jun 1976

1 Jun 1985-31 May 1986

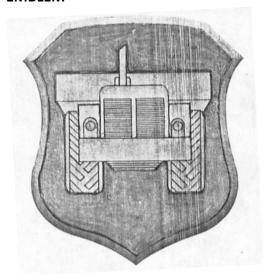
1 Jul 1991-30 Jun 1993

1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1995

1 Jul 1995-31 Mar 1997

1 Jul 1997-30 Jun 1999

EMBLEM



314 Installations Squadron emblem: On an Air Force blue shield bordered golden orange, earth moving equipment affronte, of the last, details of the first. Significance. The emblem represents the squadron's primary mission. The earth moving equipment located on the center of the shield depicts the engineering functions. The blue surrounding the earth moving equipment indicates the traditional blue of the U.S. Air Force. The golden orange border of the shield represents the traditional color associated with units having an engineering function. Orange also represents the earth associated with the equipment portrayed in the center of the shield. (Approved, 11 Jul 1957)



314 Civil Engineering Squadron emblem: On a blue disc a yellow and white stadia board, overall a yellow sword detailed black, hand guard white with the hilt in the form of a black shovel blade grasped by a dexter hand in natural colors issuing from base, in upper right a white pole star superimposed by a narrow black cross with arms terminating in yellow amulets with red centers and bearing at center two yellow double headed arrows crossed diagonally; all within a narrow red border. Attached above the disc a yellow scroll edged red inscribed "CONSTRUCT MAINTAIN DEFEND" in black letters. Attached below the disc a yellow scroll edged red. **SIGNIFICANCE** Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The disc symbolizes an essential element in construction the stadia board. The blade and shovel refer to the motto of the squadron. Construct, Maintain, Defend. The compass represents the four corners of the globe and all the points in between that our mission may take us. The hand represents to our most important resource the personnel of the 314 Engineering Squadron. (Approved, 10 Sep 1985)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS



314 Installations Squadron Fire Department personnel and equipment, Sewart AFB, TN



314 Installations Squadron, Sewart AFB, TN

In December 2000, Arkansas was devastated by two of the worst ice storms in its history. Despite the majority of the state being without power for up to 14 days, base operations were practically unhindered as snow and ice teams maintained a 100 percent operational aerodrome and base accessibility.

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