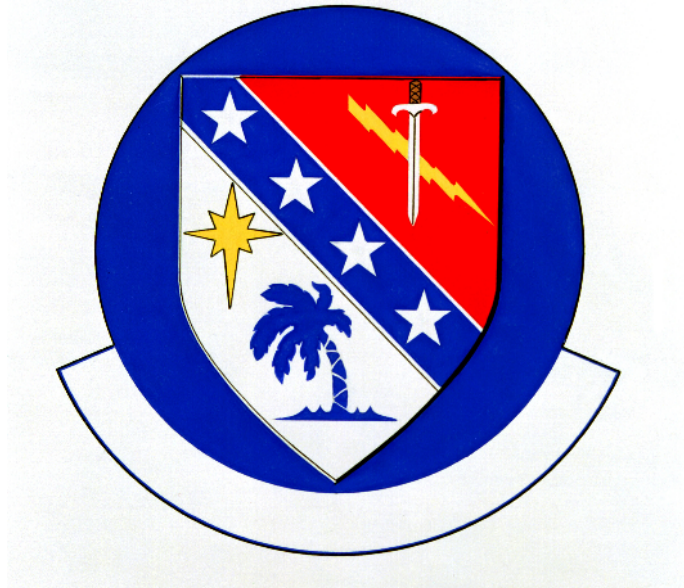


354th COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

354th Communications Squadron manages, operates, maintains and provides fixed and deployable command and control communications and computer systems, navigational aids, visual information and information management services for the 354th Fighter Wing's combat and combat support missions and specialized missions of the Air National Guard, Air Force Technical Applications Center, and state and federal agencies located throughout Alaska.

LINEAGE

354th Communications Squadron constituted, 28 Sep 1956

Activated 19 Nov 1956

Inactivated 25 Sep 1957

2066th Communications Squadron designated, organized, 1 Jan 1963

Redesignated 2066th Information Systems Squadron 1 Jul 1984

Redesignated 2066th Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986

354th Communications Squadron and 2066th Communications Squadron consolidated, 1 May 1991. Consolidated unit designated 354th Communications Squadron.

Inactivated, 1 Oct 1992

Activated, 20 Aug 1993

STATIONS

Myrtle Beach AFB, SC, 19 Nov 1956-25 Sep 1957

Myrtle Beach AFB, SC, 1 Jan 1963-1 Oct 1992

Eielson AFB, AK, 20 Aug 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

354th Air Base Group, 19 Nov 1956-25 Sep 1957
Tactical Communications Region, 8 Aug 1967
Tactical Communications Area (later Tac Comm Div, Tac Information Systems Div, Tac Comm Div), 30 Jun 1971
354th TFW (later FW), 1 Oct 1990-1 Oct 1992
354th Support Group, 20 Aug 1993-8 Jul 2002
354th Mission Support Group, 8 Jul 2002

COMMANDERS

Cpt Elden L. Boothby, 19 Nov 1956-25 Sep 1957
Cpt Eugene C. Kirkendall, 1 Jan 1963
Cpt Frank L. Segars, 25 Feb 1963
Maj John A. McDonagh, 1963
Maj Livingston M. Standish, 8 Jul 1965
Cpt Thomas C. Beck, 1 Feb 1967
Cpt Bruce S. Pratt, 1 Feb 1968
Maj Roger C. Duke, Jr., 23 Feb 1968
Maj James H. Godwin, 5 Jan 1970
Maj John G. Musser, 1974
Maj Joseph L. Thomas, 23 Feb 1977
Maj Richard H. Compton, 11 Apr 1980
Maj Robert A. Popp, 23 Jul 1982
Maj Susan M. Fox, 22 Jun 1984
Maj Walter T. Jones, 19 Dec 1985
Maj Gary L. Davis, 8 Jul 1988
Maj Thomas J. Groff, 27 Jun 1991-1 Oct 1992
Maj Colin R. Schmeisser, 20 Aug 1993
LTC Rebecca J. Gentry, 23 May 1995
Maj Jeffery A. Ralston, 2 Jul 1997
LTC Douglas J. Koski, 18 Jun 1999
Maj Raan R. Aalgaard, 12 Jul 2001-2 Jul 2003
Maj David E. Stookey, 2 Jul 2003
Maj Michelle L. Hayworth, 22 Jun 2005

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citation

Southeast Asia, 10 Oct 1972-30 Apr 1973

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Oct 1962-31 Dec 1963

15 Jun 1970-31 May 1972

1 May 1974-30 Apr 1976

11 May 1976-31 May 1977

1 Jul 1985-30 Jun 1987

1 May 1990-15 Mar 1992

11 Sep 2000-10 Sep 2002

17 Sep 2003-16 Sep 2005

EMBLEM

On a blue disc edged black, a shield divided bend per red and white surmounted by a blue bend fimbriated white on which are four white five-pointed stars palewise in bend, in sinister chief a yellow lightning bolt bendwise surmounted by a sword palewise with blade down, blade and guard white, hilt brown, detailed black; in dexter base a blue palm tree detailed white issuing from a stylized mound below a yellow North Star outlined black. Attached below the disc is a blank white scroll edged blue. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The lightning and sword represent communications support to Tactical Air Command. The four stars represent the communications functions of command, maintenance, communications operations, and air traffic control. The North Star signifies navigation and the Palmetto tree symbolizes the squadron location in the state of South Carolina. The colors red, white, and blue represent the pride squadron personnel have for the United States. (Approved, 18 Mar 1982)

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OPERATIONS

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