

## 908 AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



### **MISSION**

The 908 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron mission is to, develop Airmen, manage the fleet, and deliver the sortie. In order to accomplish all of this, the squadron takes its 125 members, 33 of which are full-timers and 92 being traditional reservists and divides them into two different sections including the airframe, propulsion and general section, and the specialist section.

The APG section is made up of crew chiefs who are responsible for the day to day upkeep of our 9 assigned aircraft. They perform duties to include refueling, changing tires, rigging the aircraft for the scheduled mission, and working hand in hand with the flight crew during the aircraft preflight as well as launch and recovery of the aircraft.

The specialist section is a combination of maintainers from various specialty codes to include propulsion, electrical and environmental systems, guidance and control systems, communication and navigation systems, and hydraulics. Maintainers specialize in their own specific areas of the aircraft systems and subsystems. Specialists provide in-depth knowledge and troubleshooting skills for their respective systems.

### **LINEAGE**

908 Air Engineering Squadron constituted, 4 Apr 1945

Activated, 23 May 1945

Inactivated, 7 Dec 1945

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 908 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 4 Sep 2002

Activated in the Reserve, 1 Oct 2002

## **STATIONS**

Cambrai, France, 23 May 1945  
Clastres, France, c. 23 Sep 1945  
Creil, France, 3 Oct-28 Nov 1945  
New York Port of Entry, NY, 5-7 Dec 1945  
Maxwell AFB, AL, 1 Oct 2002

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

490 Air Service Group, 23 May-7 Dec 1945  
908 Maintenance Group, 1 Oct 2002

## **COMMANDERS**

Capt Joe Friday  
Lt Col Michael Allen

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

World War II  
EAME Theater

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards  
1 Oct 2003-30 Sep 2005  
1 Oct 2009-30 Sep 2011  
1 Jan 2014-31 Dec 2015

## **EMBLEM**



On a disc Azure parted per bend chequy Sable and Or, a propeller sinister chief to dexter base Brunâtre, detailed Argent and of the second. Three deltas Gules detailed black with smoke trails, White, emitting from nombril point soaring towards sinister side, all within a narrow border Red. Attached above the disc a White scroll edged with a narrow Red border and inscribed "MAINTAINING INTEGRITY" in Red letters. Attached below the disc a White scroll edged with a narrow Red border and inscribed "908TH AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQ" in Red letters. SIGNIFICANCE Ultramarine blue and Air Force 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 propeller is that of the Wrightstown Flyer to signify the Beginnings of Aviation. The checkerboard is symbolic of the Strategy of Tactical Airlift. The three deltas represent the past, present and future of Air Superiority. All of these elements combined represent the strength and flexibility of those who serve now; the constancy and determination of the personnel to accomplish the mission, even in the darkest night; the daylight operations and the positive impact airlift has in war and peace. (Approved, 1 Apr 2005)

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

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