

42nd COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

The 42nd Communications Squadron acquires, manages, operates and maintains classified and unclassified command, control, communications, and information systems to support Air University, 42nd Air Base Wing operations, the flying mission of the 908th Airlift Wing, and the tenant units of Maxwell-Gunter AFB. Maintains air traffic control airfield landing systems. Manages official records and base visual information support.

LINEAGE

1292nd Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron designated and organized, 15 Jul 1955

Redesignated 2192nd Communications Squadron, 1 Jul 1961

Redesignated 2192nd Information Systems Squadron, 1 Jul 1984

Redesignated 2192nd Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986

Redesignated 42nd Communications Squadron, 1 Sep 1991

Inactivated, 30 Jun 1994

Activated, 1 Oct 1994

Redesignated 42nd Communications Flight, 29 Feb 2008

Redesignated 42nd Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 2009

STATIONS

Loring AFB, ME, 15 Jul 1955-30 Jun 1994

Maxwell AFB, AL, 1 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

2045th Airways and Air Communications Service Group, 15 Jul 1955

1802nd Airways and Air Communications Service Group (later Northeastern Airways and Air Communications Service Region), 18 Jul 1956

North Atlantic Airways and Air Communications Service Region (later North Atlantic Communications Region), 21 Apr 1961

Eastern Communications Region, 1 Jul 1963

Northern Communications Area, 1 May 1970

Strategic Communications Area (later Strategic Communications Division; Strategic Information Systems Division; Strategic Communications Division), 1 Jul 1976

42nd Bombardment Wing, 1 Oct 1990

42nd Support Group, 1 Sep 1991-30 Jun 1994

42nd Support (later, 42nd Mission Support) Group, 1 Oct 1994

COMMANDERS

Maj Francis J. Lyden, 18 Jul 1956

Maj George T. Boyd, 30 Aug 1956

Maj Kay W. Kroepsch, Jan 1961

LTC Joseph Harkiewicz, Jul 1961-Dec 1963

Maj George T. Bond, Jul 1967

Maj Kenneth D. Strauss, Dec 1968

LTC Robert Tefft, Jun 1969

Maj Peter Sapatis, Apr 1970

Maj Ronald L. Cheney, Jul 1971

Cpt Nicholas O. Caspar, Jul 1973

Maj John W. Spear, Jun 1975

Maj George E. Dobson, Jul 1976

LTC Clarence J. Kelly, 6 Jul 1978

Maj Ken H. Kato, 1 Jul 1981

LTC William E. Einspahr, 3 Aug 1983

LTC Bruce J. Savaglio, 24 Jun 1985

LTC Douglass W. Donnell, 27 Jun 1988

Mr. Anthony Dillard, Director

LTC Andrew Gale

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jan-31 Dec 1984

1 Jul 1986-30 Jun 1988

1 Apr 1992-31 Mar 1994

1 Jul 1995-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2004

1 Jul 2004-30 Jun 2006

1 Jul 2006-30 Jun 2007

EMBLEM



2192nd Communications Squadron emblem: The electronic flashes represent all forms of aerospace communications. The chain represents the critical link that communications plays in the command and control of aerospace forces. The control tower emphasizes the distinct but integral part air traffic controls plays in the command and control of aerospace forces. The eagle symbolizes the strength of all unit personnel in providing the critical command and control link. The olive wreath with arrows and the depiction of the globe stresses the capability of the unit to provide command, control, and communications in peacetime as well as in war, anywhere in the world.

MOTTO

The Critical Link

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 2192nd Communications Squadron was the most diverse unit on Loring Squadron personnel are located throughout the base and at several off base locations. Manned with more than 240 highly trained people, the unit provides air traffic control services, weather equipment

maintenance, airfield and en-route navigation aids maintenance computer support, and radio and ground communications (telephone) services to the 42nd Bombardment Wing, 42nd Combat Support Group, tenant organizations and to local Guard units, Radar Approach Control (RAPCON) facilities also support airfield flight traffic in Caribou. Presque Isle and nearby New Brunswick, Canada. A vital part of the Air Force Communications Command, the men and woman of the 2192nd were involved in the operations and maintenance of every facet of base communications, data automation, and air traffic control in support of the SAC Emergency War Order Mission

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.

Major Command history. *A Salute to Air Force Communications Command Leaders and Lineage*. Office of Air Force Communications Command History. Scott AFB, IL. 1 Oct 1990.