

123rd CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON

LINEAGE

STATIONS

Louisville, KY

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Lieutenant Colonel Connie Allen

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The Civil Engineering Flight also was busy on projects, moving a B-58 hangar from Grissom AFB, Ind., to Shewmaker for their own use. They also dismantled and moved an automotive maintenance shop at Bowman Field and moved it for the Army National Guard.

The Civil Engineers performed their field training at Shewmaker in 1972, completing work on a steel building housing a Snack Bar. It was opened June 26, with the entire construction effort requiring some 2,000 manhours of labor, but reducing the cost of the building by half.

The Civil Engineers, as was becoming customary, did their own summer program-in January. First they went to Tyndall AFB, Fla., to be tested in certain programs required of Prime Beef teams as

field exercises. Next they went to Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico, to assist with some construction for the Air Guard there.

The Civil Engineering Flight took annual training at Howard AFB, Panama Canal Zone. They made several building alterations and created more good will for the KyANG, at least most of the time. Several members of the unit, including Maj Jim Kline, learned how to take a small can of tomato juice and turn it into real refreshments.

1971 January . The 123d Civil Engineering Flight attended field training at Barking Sands on the island of Kauai, Hawaii, where they constructed two barracks for the HANG.

During September 12-15, 2002, more than 60 members of the 123rd Civil Engineer Squadron participated in the unit's annual bivouac field training at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

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Members of the base's Fire Department taught various levels of HazMat training to the Ft Knox responders. A member of the Civil Engineer Readiness Flight taught the Louisville Fire Department Chemical and Biological Detection techniques and served as an evaluator for a Domestic Preparedness Exercise held by the City of Louisville. The 123rd Medical Squadron directly supported the mission of the Kentucky Air National Guard throughout the past year by providing more than 500 physical and dental exams, immunizations, and ancillary services such as x-rays, laboratory tests, electrocardiographs, pulmonary function tests and optometry examinations. The medical squadron gave 4,274 immunizations and 1,323 anthrax vaccines since the start of the program. In addition, the squadron conducted monthly mandatory random drug screening and periodic AIDS testing.

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123d Civil Engineering Squadron Aerospace Expeditionary Force Aug 04-Jan 05 3 Istres, France

123 CES Firefighters Aerospace Expeditionary Force Nov 04-Jan 05 6 Curacao

123 CES Coronet Oak Jan (05) 3 San Juan, PR

123 CES Red Horse Operation Enduring Freedom Mar-Jul 05 1 Southwest Asia

123 CES Operation Enduring Freedom Apr-Jun 05 2 Diego Garcia

123 CES Deployed Field Training Jun (05) 50 Mildenhall AB, UK

123 CES Operation Iraqi Freedom Sep 05- 1 Southwest Asia

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