

133rd CONSOLIDATED AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

LINEAGE

STATIONS

Minneapolis St Paul, MN

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Maj Carl Sproat

Maj Carol J. Michaud, Oct 1961

Maj Roger A. Lewis, Apr 1964

Maj Robert E. Leighton, Mar 1965,

Maj Roger A. Lewis, Mar 1966

Maj James B. Dvorak, Mar 1968

Maj David C. Montgomery, Feb 1970

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The CAM squadron's primary mission and responsibility today is for planning, scheduling and performing the overall maintenance activities necessary to insure the required availability of

combat-ready aircraft equipped for their assigned operational mission.

Operationally, two broad types of maintenance are performed with the squadron organizational maintenance and field maintenance. Organizational maintenance includes all non-scheduled maintenance and flight line maintenance, as well as preflight, post flight, and periodic inspections. Field maintenance refers to heavy maintenance involving aircraft reclamation and repair.

During the first half of the Minnesota Air National Guard's history, from 1920 to 1946 a separate maintenance squadron as we know it did not exist. Instead, maintenance was performed by the flying squadron, under the crew chief system.

The crew chief did his own flight line servicing, his own inspecting, and his own repair work. The first limited specialist support came in 1940 with the advent of the all-metal aircraft. Up until 1940, during the period of time that this unit operated bi-planes, the crew chief a jack of all trades-assisted by his one or two assistants, was essentially the entire maintenance force.

Although the crew chief still did most of the aircraft maintenance himself, welders, electricians and sheet-metal specialists became available to assist him right on the flight line. And with the arrival of hydromatic propellers, the "prop" specialist was added.

It was not until April, 1958, that the CAM Squadron. as we know it today was established. At that time all maintenance was consolidated into one organizational unit, the Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

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