

# **162<sup>nd</sup> COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT**

## **LINEAGE**

162<sup>nd</sup> Communications Flight  
Redesignated 162<sup>nd</sup> Information Systems Flight  
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## **STATIONS**

Tucson, AZ

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

Maj Wanda Wright

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

The 162nd Communications Flight is responsible for quality architecture, acquisition, installation, operation, maintenance and security of all communications resources (voice, data, and visual) to support the 162nd Fighter Wing mission and goals. The flight has taken on several forms over the last 40 years. Currently, Communications contains four branches: Support, Systems, Plans and Implementation and Visual Information. We are the largest communications flight in the Air National Guard, and complete work orders numbering over 12,000 each year. With the onset of a merger with the Information Management function, the flight will become even larger and include reprographics, publishing, orders accountability and the Publications

DistributionOffice. Currently, there are approximately 50 people in the flight to support the communications activities of the unit, which includes approximately 100 computers, 1000 radios, 2000 telephones, the local area network and the telephone switch system.

The Support branch is responsible for Systems Security to include Emissions Security, Security Awareness, Training and Education, Virus and Intruder Protection and Information Protection. With the onset of internet activity, the need for security has become one of the most important aspects of the flight.

The Systems branch manages all maintenance and repair for communication equipment. It is also responsible for the operation of the Local Area Network, telephone switch system, data processing and the telecommunication center.

The Plans and Implementation branch functions as the planning activity for all major communication projects that are required for new facilities, new missions or new systems. It is also responsible for the acquisition of automated data processing equipment and its accountability.

The Visual Information branch performs photography, cinematography, graphics and audio visual equipment repair functions. The fine work of VI personnel can be seen across the base, in this yearbook and at the many special events held at the 162nd.

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