# **175 CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON**

#### MISSION

Provides and operates facilities to support flying operations and the air base. Provides fire protection, crash-fire rescue service, emergency medical first response, limited hazmat response and limited confined space rescue. Provides nuclear-biological-chemical defense training, disaster preparedness/response planning and execution to support Maryland Air National Guard operations. Major activities consist of design, construction, operation, maintenance and repair of all physical plant (facilities) and real estate, including utilities, roads, airfield pavements, buildings, etc. Officers: 3 Enlisted: 93

#### LINEAGE

175 Civil Engineering Flight175 Civil Engineering Squadron175 Civil Engineer Squadron

#### **STATIONS**

Warfield Air National Guard Base, Middle River, MD

ASSIGNMENTS 175 Mission Support Group

### **COMMANDERS**

LTC Scott A. Kearby LTC Frank D. Sams, #1991 *LTC Henry C. Shero LTC Robert Hoffman* LTC Mike McDonald

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**Campaign Streamers** 

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

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## OPERATIONS

The 175 CES has always been a high tempo organization. The unit is set up for rapid response to provide facilities to bed down the force, survive enemy attack, and rapidly recover the airbase to continue the mission. The CE Squadron includes Engineering, Firefighters, and Readiness (Air Base Operability) functions. In the late eighties the Services Flight was added to the CE Squadron, but in the nineties Services was split off and Readiness was added.

To keep the edge, CE has consistently participated in field training events like Base Recovery After Attack (BRAAT) training exercises Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. and the follow-on Silver Flag exercises at Tyndall Air Force Base. In addition, there is the CE annual overnight bivouac. In addition to major deployments to the Azores, Italy, Canada, Germany, Israel, Estonia, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, CE has completed projects across the United States.

The 175th Civil Engineering Squadron traveled around the U.S. to practice their trade. They undertook deployments to Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska in 1982, Eglin Air Force Base. Ha. in 1986, and Camp Ripley, Minn. in 1988.

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