

# 140<sup>th</sup> MISSION SUPPORT SQUADRON

## LINEAGE

*140th Combat Support Squadron (CSS) was formed on Oct. 1, 1962.*

## STATIONS

Buckley AFB, CO

## ASSIGNMENTS

## COMMANDERS

LTC Edward F. Brown, 1 Oct 1962  
LTC Walter Schrieber, 14 Apr 1964  
LTC Benson Bates, 14 Nov 1965  
LTC Fred Duncan, 1 May 1969  
LTC Chester J. Preisser, Jr., 25 Apr 1972  
LTC James B. Alford, 1 Jan 1981  
Maj James A. Evans, 20 Sep 1985  
Maj Kenneth R. Kimber, 12 Feb 1986  
Maj Michael P. Rowan, 3 Jan 1988  
Maj Thomas C. McGinley, 12 Mar 1989

## HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## EMBLEM

**EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE**

**MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

The mission of the 140th Mission Support Squadron is to provide total base support of the tactical organization when required. The squadron provides the command-control element for non-tactical operations.

The squadron today consists of seven branches: the consolidated base personnel office (CBPO), unit administration, base services, legal services, social actions, operations and training and disaster preparedness. Each function supports the Colorado Air National Guard in many matters that affect us the most: Consolidated Base Personnel Office (CBPO): This branch of the 140th MSS, with Maj. David D. Donnelly as chief and CMSgt. John Christopher as NCOIC, is considered by many to be the "heart" of the Colorado Air National Guard. There is not one person in the Colorado ANG who does not have continuing contact with the CBPO Customer service, headed by TSgt. Helen Gerner during the week, sees well over 200 people a month (almost 15 percent of our entire assigned strength!). Other significant parts of the CBPO include: Recruiting: The section's fine staff of recruiters, under chief recruiter MSgt. Jerry Navarette, have consistently placed within the Air National Guard's top percentages on number of recruits per recruiter. In addition, their efforts in recruiting quality persons has placed Colorado at the top of the nation's recruiting statistics for people not eliminated from formal training or technical school.

Personnel Systems Management This function, responsible for all personnel computer products, insures timely and accurate products to the many offices throughout the wing. Personnel Utilization: This section, ably managed by MSgt. Deborah Wilhoit, controls the assignment and mobility processing of all personnel in the Colorado ANG.

Base Career Advisor Under the leadership of MSgt. Bill Seiler, this section is responsible for retention programs, the ANG Bonus Program, the new GI Bill for Guardsmen and the Employer Support Program.

CBPO Training Section: This function, under the energetic and innovative leadership of SMSgt. Steve Geczy, is responsible for all On the Job (OJT) and formal training programs.

Unit Administration: Headed by first sergeant MSgt. Neil Jordan and assistant SSgt. Kelly Webb, this section performs the difficult task of administering to the COANG's most diversified organization.

Base Services: Run by OIC Capt. Charles Jamison, NCOIC SMSgt. Dwight Steele and TSgt. Goldie Sherman as the full-time support technician, this branch is responsible for feeding and billeting COANG personnel on deployments and during UTAs. Morale is of course a very essential ingredient to the well being of any military organization; the new 140th Services Flight is a major element of that ingredient.

Legal Services: Our legal officer, Maj. John Prentiss, advises members of the ANG on legal

matters.

**Social Actions:** Under Maj. Michael Roberts, with the assistance of TSgt. Christi Daily and 2nd Lt. Carol Mills, social actions insures equal opportunity for all of the wing's personnel and conducts valuable human relations training.

**Operations and Training:** This branch provides training aids and a closed-circuit television system, which enables all areas of the base to receive educational programming at their call. Commanders use the system for commander's calls and other administrative purposes. Maj. Jay Gates runs this branch in a most efficient manner while also overseeing the disaster preparedness branch and ancillary training section.

**Disaster Preparedness:** As a part of the operations and training branch, the major objectives of the disaster preparedness program are to protect resources and restore primary mission assets from the effects of enemy attacks and natural disasters, provide humanitarian aid and respond to major accidents. One of their jobs is to teach individuals how to respond and cope with incidents involving nuclear, biological and chemical warfare, including the use of protective clothing, shelters and decontamination procedures. MSgt. David Beal has been instrumental in providing a comprehensive "Ability to Survive and Operate" (ATSO) program.

Since its formation, many functions now assigned to other squadrons have been a part of MSS. The 140<sup>th</sup> Materiel Squadron (Supply) was merged into the 140<sup>th</sup> CSS and later transferred to the wing before becoming a part of the 140<sup>th</sup> Resource Management Squadron. The transportation and motor vehicle operations sections and the comptroller function were also part of 140<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Squadron prior to their transfer to Resource Management Squadron.

The 140 CSS was redesignated the 140<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Squadron on 1 Oct 1987, with Maj Kenneth R. Kimber commanding. The reorganization, numbering 119 personnel combined portions of the 140<sup>th</sup> Communications Flight into the squadron, while reassigning combat arms training and the still photo section to other organizations within the wing. The stand alone 140 CF and 140 WSSF units, as well as the 140<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Flight, report to the current 140<sup>th</sup> MSS commander, Maj Thomas McGinley. Maj McGinley also serves as the mission support officer for the wing full-time support force.

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