

Junior Officers Receive Awards

Two junior officers assigned to the Armament Development and Test Center (ADTC) at Eglin AFB were awarded Air Force Systems Command (AFSC) Certificates of Merit in a ceremony for their participating in the AFSC Junior Officers' Speakers Bureau. Presenting the certificates was Maj. Gen. Jewell C. Maxwell, ADTC commander.

Captains Wade Garnto and Al Lindsey of the Electronics Test Division at Eglin took part in the program during the 1970-1971 academic year. The speakers bureau was set up by the command in 1962 to inform Air Force ROTC cadets of the AFSC role in today's Air Force, as well as the role they will play as junior officers.

Both captains were chosen to represent ADTC last year, and participated in a seminar at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, with speakers representing other AFSC agencies. At the seminar, each speaker presented briefings on their organizations and their function within those organizations.

After the seminar, both captains were assigned five AF-ROTC units to address during the following school year. The schools where they spoke were all in the southeastern U.S. area.

"I think that it's a great program, the best one that I've seen for command orientation,"

says Capt. Garnto of the speakers bureau program. Capt. Garnto, who works as a project engineer in his division, came to Eglin in 1970 after completing work on his masters degree at the Air Force Institute of Technology. A junior officer, but no newcomer to the Air Force, Capt. Garnto served as an enlisted man from 1956 until 1965 when he entered school at Arizona State University under the Airmen Education and Commissioning Program (AECMP).

Another AECMP graduate, Capt. Lindsey has been at Eglin since he graduated from Arizona State University in 1969. The captain, also a project engineer, describes the speakers bureau as a "very worthwhile program."

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