



MAY 30 - JUNE 5, 2022



**THROUGH THE LENS**

**JUNE 5, 2004:** Soldiers with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 416th Engineer Group reunite with family and friends at Owens Community College in Perrysburg, Ohio, after a nine-month deployment to Afghanistan.



**WEEK IN REVIEW**

**W** **JUNE 1, 1944:** The 122d Army Band is organized on Bougainville as the 37th Infantry Division Band.

**JUNE 1, 1973:** The 121st, 178th and 180th Security Forces Squadrons are federally recognized as the 121st, 178th and 180th Weapons System Security Flights.

**F** **JUNE 3, 1861:** The Battle of Philippi — also known mockingly as “The Philippi Races” — took place in and around Philippi, Va. and was the first organized land action of the Civil War. The 14th and 16th Ohio Volunteer Infantry took part and have the honor of being the first Ohio regiments to unfurl their colors in battle.

**JUNE 3, 1921:** The 1191st Engineer Company is organized in Portsmouth as Battery C, 135th Field Artillery.



**HALL OF VALOR**

**SERGEANT FIRST CLASS  
MARK A. WANNER**

**COMPANY B, 2D BN, 19TH SPECIAL FORCES GROUP  
MAY 31, 2009 - AFGHANISTAN**

**CITATION:** The President of the United States of America takes pleasure in presenting the Silver Star to Sgt. 1st Class Mark Wanner, for gallantry in action while serving with Operational Detachment Alpha-9224, Special Operations Task Force-92, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom on 31 May 2009. After his detachment engaged a numerically superior, heavily armed enemy force, Sergeant First Class Wanner acted with complete disregard for his own personal safety by moving into an exposed position to render emergency aid. After noticing that a teammate was grievously injured and laying perilously close to an enemy position, he crossed open terrain in order to move his fellow Soldier closer to safety. After the Soldier collapsed due to the severity of his wounds, Sergeant First Class Wanner refused to abandon his teammate, remaining in the exposed position as enemy fire impacted all around him. Using his own body as a shield to prevent further harm to his fellow Soldier, he coordinated the detachment's suppressing fire until there was enough of a lull in enemy activity to allow him to carry his wounded teammate to the medical evacuation site. His selfless conduct while under heavy enemy fire saved the life of a teammate and is an example for all Soldiers to follow.

