

Ohio Military Academy



Cool morning air,
another beginning,
another end
Still haven't recovered
from last night
Constant state of
muscle soreness
and fatigue
Not enough sleep,
not enough time ...

Parallels — 1st Lt. Michael Ore
story on pages 16 and 17



SOLDIER

BY GEORGE L. SKYPECK

*I was that which others did not
want to be.*

*I went where others feared to go,
and did what others failed to
do.*

*I asked nothing from those who
gave nothing, and reluctantly
accepted the thought of eternal
loneliness . . . should I fail.*

*I have seen the face of terror; felt
the stinging cold of fear; and
enjoyed the sweet taste of a
moment's love.*

*I have cried, pained, and hoped
. . . but most of all, I have lived
times others would say were
best forgotten.*

*At least someday I will be able to
say that I was proud of what I
was . . . a soldier.*

Photo by Cadet Aria Ala-U-Dini

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View Points

The following speech was written by Leon P. Schultz, the son of SFC Henry P. Schultz, recruiter for the Ohio Army National Guard. Leon is a junior at Springfield High School, in Toledo, Ohio. His speech placed sixth in the district and he was awarded \$50 from the Veteran's Administration.

"Preparing For America's Future"

We all have expectation of America—its people in the years to come. But due to the rapid advancement of technology in the 21st century, it's nearly impossible to have accurate predictions for America's future. So what can we do to prepare?

We as Americans have an allegiance to the flag of our nation—to stand beneath it and admire the influence it has on our lives. To respect the freedom it represents and also the rights our Constitution gives us as United States citizens. We all have the opportunity to set goals in our lives and to do as much as we can to fulfill

them. I'm glad to know many Americans do accomplish their goals. However I'm especially proud to know that many Americans' goals are to improve the country that they live in, and to me that is the best thing that someone can set forth to accomplish... To benefit them and the surrounding people... America is a blended nation, it has everything. A variety of people and culture, but most of all... Dreams. America has been built on dreams from day one. People travel from all over the world to make their dreams come true in the Promised Land.

Because there is such a variety of people in America, there is a cluster of views and beliefs of how life should be. Often people judge one another by their race or the dreams they have. That isn't what America is about. We are all special, and we share many common goals. All of us have an interest in success and to live full lives and happy times. We can help one another into the future and we can live

with each other to share our dreams, so our children can only imagine how hideous hatred and war is to experience.

But, we are not the only people who inhabit this world. Americans are only a small portion of the people who occupy this magnificent planet.

There are many others in the world who feel the same as us, but are not as fortunate to live in America. That does not make them so much different than us. We all cannot share the same land, but we can share opinions and other beliefs. The sad thing is, sometimes, the result of sharing opinions is war.

We must learn to keep an open mind and understand the difference between people and nations. And, to assure ourselves and our children that we all get the chance to fulfill our dreams, and to live in peace. Not just peace within our nation, but peace within our world. That is the only way we can prepare for America's future.

Guard Widow Expresses Thanks

Dear Editor:

First of all, to all, to our dear friends in the Guard, A BIG THANK YOU! My heartfelt appreciation goes out to all of the men and women who also mourned the passing of my husband, Sgt. Fred Maslyk. The military influence in Fred's life was really brought home to me with the sight of the double line of uniformed men and women we passed through at the church and cemetery. The pallbearers, members of Fred's Fire Support Team, were personal friends. This added emotional support really helped all of us. The color guard and 21-gun salute, the flag presentation, and just the plain fact that you all cared was wonderful.

We did not realize what all Fred was entitled to after serving 20 years. All he had ever mentioned was that he hoped for a small pension when he turned 60.

As most of us, he didn't realize he was entitled to other benefits. The men at the 1/136th Headquarters have seen to it that we have applied for everything that he had coming.

I would hope that men and women who decide to serve in the Guard as part of their career goals take the time to find out the benefits that accrue to them as a result of their service.

Fred loved the Guard. He had found the niche he needed. Through his 20 years of service, he had several positions, including field wireman, cook, Redeye Missile Team, and Fire Support Team. He also was his unit's public affairs representative for several years. Fred was decorated for his help in disasters such as the 1969 riots at Ohio State University and the blizzard of 1978. He saw bald eagles

up close in Alaska and he felt the heat and rain in the fields of Grayling, Michigan.

He never wanted to quit the Guard. He sometimes wished it was still as easy as it used to be, but he stuck it out like the soldier he was in his heart and mind.

One of the benefits Fred receives as a 20-year-man is a headstone supplied by the military. If I choose to buy him one to match his parents who lay at peace with him, I could, but it seems to me, in Fred's case, cost or not, for him to be bestowed the honor of a servant of his country is not only proper, it is just right!

Elaine R. Maslyk

(Editor's Note: Sgt. C. Fred Maslyk died April 23, 1989, after serving 20 years and two months with the Ohio National Guard. He was with Headquarters, 1/136th Field Artillery in Columbus for 16 years and C Battery, 1/136th in Piqua for four years.)

Firm Wants Military People

BY ARIA ALA-U-DINI
337th Personnel Service Company

To help alleviate some of the "work-schedule and guard-time" problems many guardsmen are faced with, a privately owned trucking company has come up with a plan that not only guarantees its employees time off for reserve duty, but also increases the chances of Ohio Guardsmen and veterans of getting hired.

Schneider National Carriers, a nationwide trucking company, introduced this program last year. And G.E.A.R.—Guaranteed Employment After Release—has been a success, according to Jim Jadwin, the company's recruiting manager.

"One of the things we have found is generally, the same things that make a successful employee, also make a successful soldier," Jadwin said.

G.E.A.R. is an employment program that offers service members and veterans an opportunity to start a career in the trucking industry. The benefits offered include a tuition-free training program and special interview and screening process for military personnel.

According to Jadwin, skills such as map reading, and the fact that guardsmen are more self-motivated and disciplined than non-military personnel makes them good candidates for employment.

"They and their families have also learned to deal with long periods of separation," Jadwin added.

"The fact that guardsmen must be clean cut, pass drug tests, and are used to working around heavy machinery also helps."

Jadwin said currently Schneider has nearly 60 military, and former military personnel working for them and through their recruiting programs in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Illinois, he hopes to increase that number by as many as 15 per week.



DEEM AT GUARD MARATHON

BY NATALIE GARVIN

State Public Affairs Office

He claims he doesn't know all that much about running, but as of Saturday, June 10, 1989, Master Sergeant Kermit Deem had run 10,003 miles. All this from a 57-year-old who thought he'd never run a mile.

Now Deem runs daily and competes frequently in races of marathon length (26.2 miles). He has run in a total of 290 races and collected 131 trophies, plaques and medals.

"The downstairs is completely covered," Deem said of his basement walls. "I've run so many races I can't remember most of 'em," he said. "There's a start and a finish," he adds. "When the gun goes off, my legs start moving."

One of his recent races was 31 miles long, a far cry from the first four-miler he ran in 1983 that he thought he would never finish.

Deem began running to prepare himself for the physical training exercises he would have to do when he went to Basic Combat Medic (AIT) in 1983 and he had to compete with much younger people. He started out walking for six months. In June of 1983 he started his running program.

When he first started running, Deem planned on specializing in short races. "I like running as fast as I can and I can win," he said. However, he felt that too many people run in short races and he has competed in almost all of them anyway. He

Guard Runner Hits 10,000-Mile Mark

decided he was going to run the long races. In one of the recent 31 mile races, only four out of eight runners were able to finish. Deem was one of them. His name was listed in "Ultrarunning" magazine for this achievement.

The veteran admits he is hooked on running. "I don't feel good if I don't run," he said. "You can't do anything about it except go run."

Deem has plenty of free advice for the beginning runner. "It's like playing piano. You have to practice. You're only as good as you practice." He says not to become discouraged. "Running is one of the few things you can't cheat on," he said. "Anybody can do it. It's not a great achievement, if you work at it every day and go slow," Deem suggests. "And don't read any of those damn books. Start out enjoying running and then read the books to improve."

"It took me forever to get up to a mile," Deem said. "I thought I'd never go any farther than a mile and then when I got to two...!"

Deem tries to run for at least an hour a day which allows him to run seven miles. "If I'm getting ready for something, I'll vary that," he said. He usually runs during his lunch hour. He trains an eight to nine minute mile, but when he races, he runs a six to seven minute mile.

Currently Deem is in the top 10 in his age group in the state of Ohio. He recently turned 57. "I'm waiting until I'm 60," he says. "I want to be able to outrun, outlast the old-timers. The younger ones, too!" His goal this year is to run a race that surpasses his age in total miles. He plans on running in a 62-miler this year.



MASTER SERGEANT DAVE HERMAN PREPARES TO CHECK RETENTION STATISTICS

RETENTION FOCUSSES ON TEAMWORK

BY BRIAN LEPLEY
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"Show me a leader who cares and can communicate and build teamwork and I'll show you improved retention." - Maj. Gen. Warren Lawson, Adjutant General of Iowa National Guard.

Lawson's comment at a recent Fourth Army retention conference fits Master Sgt. David S. Herman well, even if it referred to unit leaders. Herman, the Ohio Army National Guard's retention NCO, was presented the Secretary of the Army Award as the top Army National Guard Retention NCO for 1988 earlier this year.

"The Adjutant General's number one priority is retention and we couldn't find a better man to achieve those goals than MSgt. Herman," Lt. Col. Richard Dreiman, Ohio's Recruiting and Retention Manager,

said. "He is the epitome of the professional soldier, very well-respected, not only in Ohio but around the country."

Herman has been in charge of the section since 1983 and in the National Guard full-time since 1969. After serving as a recruiter in 1975, he spent seven years as an instructor and training and development NCO at the Army's recruiting school.

Personnel turnover in any industry is a problem that affects continuity and effectiveness. The unique demands of serving in either the active or reserve armed forces today keep the people in charge of retaining qualified soldiers constantly looking for better methods.

As a leader in the war against attrition, Herman certainly has his forces marshalled. The unit climate profile, which he automated, is a survey that units can administer to themselves to identify their weak retention areas. Herman also distributes a monthly newsletter that tracks the retention and attrition rates of every Ohio unit.

"Dave Herman has a knack of separating the wheat from the chaff regarding statistics," Dreiman said. "He was instrumental in turning the

newsletter into an analytical management tool that is meaningful to commanders. He has developed many programs to ascertain attrition in the Ohio National Guard and uses automation to his best advantage."

Herman said the active army retention specialists went to automation in 1986. Ohio was the first state National Guard to switch to computers.

"We made some changes to the programs they were using to provide a better analysis of the information we were getting from the units," Herman said. "I've developed programs on strength and retention that we use to develop briefings. These are available to battalion level, and higher units at the commander's request."

An old cliche says that statistics are meaningless unless you know what to look for. Herman knows. A unit may look healthy in retention but may actually be losing personnel.

"Sometimes the numbers can cover up a problem you don't realize you have," Herman said. "A battalion of seven companies can have two units far overstrength while the other five are deficient. Those two

can make the battalion look excellent in retention when it actually is not.

"Likewise, units who have continually not met their retention goals will usually have a section or two that consistently keeps their people on board."

Herman cites the 371st Support Group, the 112th Transportation Battalion and the 737th Maintenance Battalion as examples of units who are consistently good at keeping their people.

Briefings, newsletters and surveys are all the methods Herman uses but the processing comes back to his programs and his computer. He's earned a reputation in the field long before his award.

Master Sergeant Herman has made himself available to many other state's retention NCOs, sharing information and his innovative retention programs," Dreiman said. "He's served on numerous national committees and seen his programs adapted by those states."

"Retention is a function of two areas - how we care for our people and how we train them." - MG Lawson.

Technological wizard that he is, Herman does not lose sight of the fact that the single most important factor in a person staying in the National Guard is how that person is treated while wearing the uniform.

"Attrition management in the services is mostly a matter of common sense," Herman said. "There should be a golden rule in the military, 'do unto the soldier as you would have the soldier do unto you.' "If a soldier is going to stay in the National Guard, the deciding factors are going to be at the unit, the people he associates with and how he is treated," Herman said. "The soldier wants an ideal drill weekend, where he is genuinely glad to be at drill and the unit demonstrates it is happy to have the soldier there. That mutual feeling has to last until Sunday's last formation.

"We've found that if soldiers find one person in the unit they respect

and can look up to, they'll stay in. If there is nobody for the new soldier to trust and look up to, if the unit has a sense of apathy towards the individual, chances are good the soldier won't last through his first enlistment."

It has been only in the past several years that the Army has learned the importance of treating personnel better, lessening the emphasis of equipment and mission first, last and always. Taking care of the soldiers shows a service's commitment to keeping qualified people in and happy.

"We identify the factors that lead to high attrition and combat those."

"To keep soldiers in the National Guard we have to help unit leaders reconcile mission demands with how the soldiers feel about what they're doing in the Guard," Herman said. "You can't accomplish the mission unless you have the people and keeping them satisfied with their service in the Guard, with the unit, is very important."

"The guy that has influence all the time is at the platoon level - fix that leadership and make these guys love each other and you've got a team that will stay together." - MG Lawson.

This is the core of Herman's mission, central to keeping the Ohio National Guard up to strength. With the help of 10 career counselors across the state and his vast array of data, he keeps the idea of having soldiers content and re-enlisting in the minds of unit leaders.

"We conduct briefings at every level we can to keep this idea in their minds. PLDC, BNCO, first sergeant's courses, the company commander's course... These are the avenues we use to get this information about retention across to the leaders," Herman said. "If we lose sight of the people, the people won't be there for the mission."

So far in 1989, Ohio is the only state in the Fourth Army meeting retention goals. This follows 1988

when retention was hurt following revelations concerning the tuition grant program. Herman found it ironic to be honored for that year but he said retention in the immediate future is likely to become rougher.

"It was a tough year, the worst since 1983, but we're the best so far this year in our region (Fourth Army)," Herman said. "Other factors are presenting themselves that are going to affect retention.

"Nationwide, the National Guard is getting stricter on weight standards, physical readiness tests, SQT results and everything associated with top of the line readiness," he said. "It's going to come back to the units again to assist their soldiers instead of ignoring them. The qualified people we want to keep can meet the standards to stay in. It shouldn't be a chore to retain them."

"We don't try to hide problems in keeping people in, we try to make commitments to making the soldiers better so they can continue to serve," Dreiman said. "We identify the factors that lead to high attrition and combat those."

An example Herman cites in this regard is the Cincinnati-area Weight Watchers getting involved with interested soldiers who are on the weight control program. "Units must get involved in helping soldiers, whether it's weight, PT, or other factors," Herman said.

Stricter standards, apathetic units or enticement programs gone sour are all obstacles Herman has handled. His drive to better understand his mission has him trying to develop software that can link all National Guard retention offices, a chore that was interrupted during the crisis last year.

"Dave Herman has unlimited potential. He's been very aggressive in the position," Dreiman said. "When he came here he was shy, almost to the point of being introverted; however in recent years he has really blossomed. He performs with very little supervision and has become a tremendous asset to the recruiting and retention program."



GUARD AND RESERVE SOLDIERS RETURNING FROM HONDURAS GET A BIG WELCOME

(Photo by SFC Don Lundy)

Fuertes Caminos '89 Draws To A Close

BY DAVE SWABEL
HQ STARC

After six months in the Yoro province of Honduras, the mission of the 16th Engineer Brigade is over. Beginning in 1988 at Camp Dawson, West Virginia, with "Operation Mountaineer," the Engineers started preparation for Operation Fuertes Caminos (Strong Roads).

Fuertes Caminos '89 is a joint effort project between Honduras and the United States. The operation provides a farm-to-market roadway for the mountain people of Honduras while allowing active Army, National Guard and Reserve components to receive "real world" training not available here.

But for the Ohio National Guard whom masterminded Task Force 16 of Fuertes Caminos '89, their mission is accomplished. Time to come home with memories and experience gained.

As Sgt. 1st Class Francis G. Luttman, HHC 612th Engineer Battalion, stepped off the C-141 Starlifter aircraft at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, his wife was there with open arms and tears in her eyes. Luttman was home, but what he left behind he would always remember and there was something inside him that made him want to go back.

"It was a beautiful job," he said. "I made a lot of friends at Camp Castle. I'd like to go back with the next task force, but I'm ready to come home for awhile."

Luttman, like so many other soldiers there for the duration, felt a sense of accomplishment. He was proud to be a member of the Ohio National Guard. Proud to be an American helping those less fortunate in the world.

"I went with the idea that it was a cruel country with a high poverty level," Spec. Paul L. Corbett, HHC 372nd Engineer Battalion, said. "It wasn't their fault, there was just no way to travel to the markets. They had money but no way to spend it."

The 21-year-old light wheel vehicle mechanic looked down to his boots. His voice was filled with emotion. "I learned so much down there. I always thought we were doing petty things on the weekends until I saw the whole operation run. It was amazing."

The 27-mile construction project involved more than 3,000 Ohio guard-members working in two-week rotations from February until June 24.

"We completely rebuilt six miles of roadway and maintained 21 additional miles during that period," Col. James E. Caldwell, TF-16 commander, said.

According to Caldwell, the logistical planning of TF-16 took 13 months. "The

response for help was tremendous," he said. "It was a big job. Many of our civilian soldiers gave up full-time jobs to help pull this mission off. Right now my number one priority is to help them get reestablished."

TF-16 involved more than road construction. The Guard provided medical civic action projects and veterinarian civic action projects to the Hondurans. Farm animals were innoculated against diseases and the people received dental and medical treatment.

Voluntary efforts by units of the 16th Engineer Brigade produced clothes and school supplies for the residents of the Yoro province. The units sponsored clothes drives and collected scrap paper and writing utensils to take to Camp Castle.

"I'd like to return to the country as a tourist," Corbett said. But now that he is back he just wants to eat a pizza.

Luttman climbs into his car and begins a short trek to the place he calls home. He is excited about what he has done and what he has seen. He will probably never forget it.

Far away another man begins a trek. He, too, is headed home, but he comes from the marketplace. His crops sold well and he is thankful. He is excited about what was done for him and other farms in Honduras. He will probably never forget about it.

Eagles Fly Under Bowman

BY NATALIE GARVIN
State Public Affairs Office

Most high school athletic coaches concern themselves only with winning, but that's not the case with Master Sergeant Clyde Bowman of the State Training Office, HQ STARC. As coach of the Watterson Eagles Junior Varsity boys soccer team for two years, and head soccer coach for the last three years, Bowman has earned the respect of players and staff as an excellent coach who puts his team before his record.

"He's very concerned. Very dedicated," said Tom Scholl, Watterson's Athletic Director.

Bowman stresses that winning is fun, but it is not what the team revolves around. The team is a socialization process and support group to help the players adjust to life in high school, he explained.

Bowman's contact with the players begins in August with conditioning and player selection. "That's the time of year I hate most," he said. He explained it is very difficult to work with kids for several weeks, get to know them, and then, "You have to tell great kids they didn't make it," he said.

Once team selection is complete, Bowman meets with the players and sets the ground rules. "They know right off the bat what's expected," he said. Watterson has a weekly eligibility list that Bowman keeps a watchful eye on. "If they can't keep their grades above a "C" average, then they sit," he said.

Player Nick Igel acknowledged Bowman's policy. "He can be real strict at times. He's a good coach. He knows what should be done."

Bowman is not on the teaching staff at Watterson. Scholl said there is always a concern when they hire an off-staff coach, about the hours the coach won't put in, that they will only be around during the season. "That's not the case with Clyde," Scholl said. Scholl explained that Bowman writes college recommendations for the senior players,

participates in equipment ordering and is always there to encourage the kids.

Bowman promotes a family-like atmosphere on the team. "He's a nice guy to get to know," Igel said. "A lot of people play for fun," he added.

Scholl said, "He's gotten the maximum out of the kids...molded them together. He's turning out a quality product."

Bowman says he wants his team to "out-think and out-play" their competitors. Although winning isn't his top priority, the Eagles posted a 15-5-2 record last season, and have a .772 winning percentage for the past three years.

Soccer wasn't Bowman's first coaching job. He coached football for middle school kids and then elementary students.

Bowman is originally from Chicago where he attended the University of Illinois in Chicago for two years. Bowman began his soccer career there. He was at a disadvantage because he was only one of two Americans on his team. The team was made up of Europeans who start playing soccer when they are as young as five years old, however, he made the transition from a goalie in ice hockey to a soccer goalie. Bowman was able to use his knowledge of German to communicate with some of the other players on this international team.

His abilities with languages increased when he joined the Navy and became a linguist. He speaks standard Arabic (and several dialects), Thai, German, and Laotian.

Bowman was in the Navy for 10 years, including three years of flying. He went to Iran where he taught English and electronic systems. He qualified the first women electronics specialists to ever fly for the Imperial Iranian Air Force or the Middle East.

Bowman left Iran during the revolution and came to Columbus to visit. He ended up staying and after spending a year in the Naval Reserves, he transferred into the Guard and used the tuition grant program to receive his degree from Ohio State. He majored in Islamic Studies with

courses in Arabic, economics and history.

Currently, Bowman attends Otterbein University to earn his teaching certificate. He has a 4.0 grade point average (GPA). When he finishes he will be certified to teach history, political science, economics and languages.

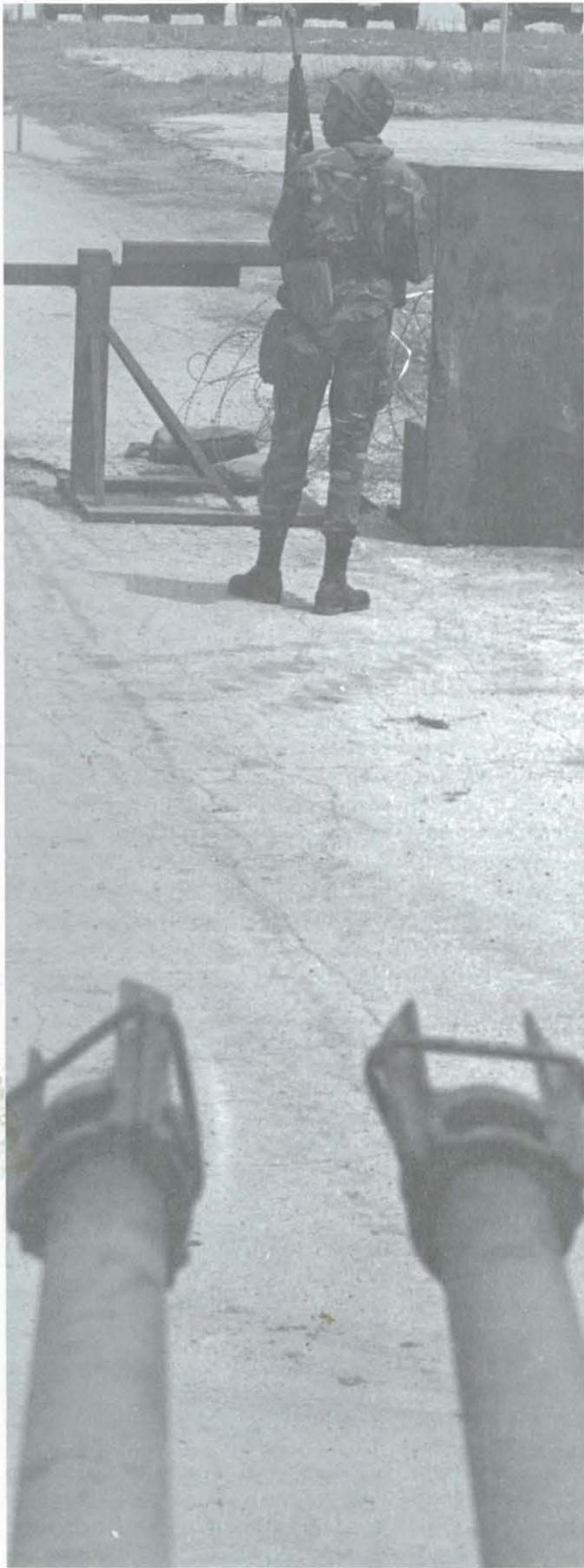
Ideally, he would like to teach at Watterson. "I feel very comfortable with these people," he said. He likes the concern the faculty has for the students. "There is a real caring for the kids here," he said.

During the off-season of Watterson's soccer schedule, Bowman coaches a youth team in Delaware. His 13-year-old son is one of the players. He also has a five-year-old daughter.

Sandwiched in between his own work and studies, Bowman finds the time to tutor students having difficulties in school. He was successful in helping a student who is now attending college. He is also very involved in his church. He teaches foreign religions including Islam and Buddhism to parishioners. "It's to help them understand other religions and their impact on Christianity," he said.



LEADERS — Watterson High School's 1988 soccer team captains (kneeling, from left) John Norton, Eric Hughes and Doug Scholl; with Coach Clyde Bowman (standing, right) and assistant coach Dan Walker. (Photo Courtesy of Suburban News Publications, Columbus, Ohio)



BACKED BY HEAVY firepower, Spec. Charles J. Coleman guards the front gate to the 737th Maintenance Battalion installation during a simulated MOUT operation. (Photo by Private 1st Class J.D. Biros)



PART of the MOUT operation consisted of performing maintenance in a tactical environment. (Photo by Cadet Aria Ala-u-dini)

URBAN

BY J.D. BIROS
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Time was running out.

Two gate sentries confirmed last minute details with their sergeant major. A group of soldiers hastily worked to complete a sandbag bunker, while two others mounted a machine gun to an armored vehicle. The rest of the concertina wire encamped guardmembers stood ready as the final few minutes ticked away.

Then time ran out. 1200 hours. War had begun.

On June 16, 1989, the 737th Maintenance Battalion, Newark, declared war during annual training at Camp Perry. The mock altercation lasted 72 hours and challenged the 737th to secure and defend an area while operating maintenance in a tactical environment.

This time, however, the tactical environment was not the field. This time it was the city.

"MOUT. Military Operations in Urban Terrain . . . It's a new concept to the 737th," said Lt. Col. Haskel P. Stone Jr., commander.

Preparation for the AT operation began months in advance. A readiness group from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., provided instructional information and training concerning MOUT techniques.

"It's very challenging," Stone said. "We have to deal with new information and do a lot of planning."

Camp Perry was chosen as the battlefield because of its urban type environment. When the 737th moved in, signs of a fortified camp began to show.

Concertina wire was strung to mark the perimeter, bunkers were constructed, fighting positions strategically placed, M-8 chemical detection devices set, armored vehicles rolled in and claymore mines planted. Forward listening posts were also established, a reactionary force prepared and possible enemy attack routes mapped.

"The mission is the same, but the techniques are different from in the field," 1st Lt. Richard A. Unger Jr. said. "You have buildings, cars and civilians to think about."

In MOUT, urban structures become terrain features and certain buildings become key points. A loss of a building can be critical to the security of the camp, Stone said.

"Something we didn't do in Vietnam that they taught us to do was to put the sandbags inside the building instead of around it," he said.



SOLDIERS of the 737th Maintenance Battalion react to a terrorist attack. (Photo by Cadet Aria Ala-u-dini)

WARFARE!

"We conceal from the enemy how well we're fortified. The trick is to appear as normal as possible."

"They're learning survivability," said Sgt. Maj. Richard E. Evans. "We're training them to do non-MOS tasks . . . like building bunkers. We move into an area and set up our positions."

For Spec. Jim S. McClellon, building bunkers was a first. "Our job is to build the bunkers as simply as possible in the least amount of time. But they have to be secure to fight from," he said.

Adding to the safety of the bunkers for personnel, there is only one way in and out of the camp. A steel gate is guarded by two soldiers and an armored vehicle with a M-60 machine gun.

"There's a difference from being a guard and a mechanic," said Spec. Charles J. Coleman. "Here at the gate, it's the busiest spot. You have to be aggressive. You can't give anybody any leeway. You don't know who or what they are."

What they might be is the opposition force. Small band terrorist attacks and attempts at camp infiltration were provided by the 100th Maneuvers Training Command, Army Reserve, Louisville. The 100th also aided observers from the 4th Army with evaluating the 737th performance.

"The 4th Army is very impressed with our enthusiasm and intelligence from the enlisted up through the officers," Stone said.

The MOUT training is part of the 737th CAPSTONE requirement. If activated, the environment for maintenance would likely be in an urban setting.

"It falls into line with the total Army concept," Stone said. "It is our Army mission if called on. The training will help us perform our mission better if activated."

Evans finds the MOUT experience something new for everyone. "The troops like it. The NCOs like it . . . they're not putting up tents like on most ATs."

And when the war is over and events are examined and new knowledge is gained, Camp Perry will be returned to normal. Bunkers will be stripped down. Claymore mines and barbed wire will be gathered.

No remnants of the three day war will remain . . . except in the military readiness of the 737th.



ALTHOUGH Spec. Charles J. Coleman doesn't know it, the opposition forces are attempting to deliver a letter bomb to the battalion commander. (Photo by Private 1st Class J.D. Biros)

SILVER FLAG ALPHA

BY MAGGIE C. PUSKAR
121st Mission Support Squadron

Training for hours, digging foxholes, inhaling tear gas, sleeping little or not at all, defending positions under the sweltering sun, attacking the aggressors during the freezing nights... is this the way to experience the desert? It was for the 121st Internal Defense Flight, (IDF), Ohio Air National Guard, during two weeks of training in Nevada.

What kind of training would involve such masochistic hours and activities? One could say it is some of the most difficult training of its kind in the world... It is Silver Flag Alpha—a rugged instruction and evaluation course designed to teach air base ground defense skills under realistic combat situations in a desert environment.

Remotely placed 40 miles from the casinos of Las Vegas, Silver Flag Alpha is home for the active duty 4554th Ground Combat Training Squadron (GCTS), based at Nellis AFB, Nevada. The dedicated security police stationed here are noted as experts in the arts of ground combat skills and take the job of teaching survival skills seriously.

"This is the first time a Guard unit has been involved in desert warfare," said Capt. Mike Casey, commander of Silver Flag. It is tough training... they hit the ground fighting."

Casey and 21 instructors squeeze as much extensive training and hands-on experience into two weeks as possible. They deal with everything from weapons to the environmental elements. "We want them to feel confident in any combat situation after this training," said Sgt. Bryan D. Tweed, NCOIC of the training instructors.

The first phase is a week of warlike scenarios, land navigational training, weapon skills, classroom instruction and physical testing at the SFA desert headquarters, a barren area of few buildings and some barracks.

The combat weapons training is in-depth. The students qualify with the M-60 machine gun, M203 grenade launcher, M72 law rocket and the M16 rifle. Then it is on to the combat rifle course, which consists of firing at multiple pop-up targets at ranges of 50-300 meters. Handling the M-60 with ease, Steve Lazar shot a 178 out of a possible

180, and Tony Jones was named top gun for the unit in the M16 combat rifle course.

The second and final phase during week two is the real test. The entire unit moves to "the field." "Home" for five days is a small foxhole shared with another team member and perhaps even a snake, tarantula, coyote or scorpion. This tactical phase provides an evaluation of the level of combat and survival skills. The 121st's mission is to defend an area of brick buildings called "Terror Town." Once there, the squads, instructed to secure a "front line" of about 500 meters, began to defend the area surrounding this "ghost town." While living in the field, the instructions are to develop defense fighting positions, conduct day-to-day operations and combat patrols, and always be ready for an attack. "They put you in a warlike atmosphere with adverse environmental conditions and see how you cope," said Sgt. Brian Truax, "The training is very realistic."

It is important to be physically fit for the training. "You have to meet the weight and fitness standards before starting this program or you are sent home. You have to be in good shape to survive out here," said instructor TSgt. Jim Scanlon.

And surviving is what it's all about. One of the many jobs of a squad leader in the field is to make sure of that survival. A small part of that is to ensure that the unit members are drinking enough water. This may seem simple, yet it becomes a matter of life and death in the blistering desert. And although the squad leaders, TSgt. Ken Griffis and TSgt. Dan Cotterham, make sure their team members have enough water, food and ammo, it is up to the individual to make sure he or she gets a canteen of water every hour to prevent dehydration or heat-stroke.

Sweating under the direct rays of the fiery sun, while digging foxholes almost as deep as she is tall, SrA Chris Hyatt takes a quick slug of the warm water from her canteen. "You are always on the go



Senior Airman Chris Hyatt, Tech. Sgt. Dan Cockerham, Tech. Sgt. Ken Griffis and Sgt. Tony Jones guard while squad leaders make checks and assignments. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Maggie C. Puskar)

out here. One person has to dig, while the other person keeps guard. We switch every 20 minutes," said Hyatt. "You have to pace yourself in this heat," added SrA Timitri Rogers, Hyatt's foxhole teammate.

Nightfall starts to settle over the desolate land. An orange flare illuminates the moonlit sky and the action begins once more. "Alpha Control this is Post #6, I've got movement at azimuth 125 degrees approximately 300 meters from my position," heard softly over the radio to the foxhole nearby. "I have the same movement from Post 5 at 60 degrees from that position."

"Give me cover fire. I've got him near the Joshua tree...MOVE OUT..." BOOM...BOOM...sizzle...pop...pop...ground burst simulators popping...tear gas exploding...rifles firing. The mobile firing team of TSgt. Terry Hughes, SSgt. Tony Jones, Sgt. Brad Thoman and SSgt. Dave Klosterman move out into the now black desert and seize the aggressor.

After a lengthy night, the sun begins to surface. The unit had a moment to reflect on the combat activity. . ."It was a long night...they attacked us twice and we fended off the attacks. Whatever we need to do as a team when we get back home will be a piece of cake. This has really built our confidence as a unit," said Cotterham.

"I've lost all track of time," said TSgt. Bradley Thoman, a bit sluggish after being alert all night. The grueling schedule continues for four more days...and nights. "Four nights in the field with no sleep and you really learn about survival," said SrA Hughes.

"This unit is really intent on learning and training. Part of it may be they are the first Guard unit out here. It is going to be difficult for the next guard unit to do this well. The 121st really set high standards in their training," said Tweed.

"I feel confident that this unit could go to war and survive. The enthusiasm was terrific; these are good troops who gave it their all!" said Lt. Col. Timothy R. Farrar after the training came to a successful end.

A few hours sleep, some real food, a roof over your head...some things you might take for granted, but not the 121st Security Police after training at Silver Flag Alpha.

(TSgt. Maggie C. Puskar is an illustrator and photographer for the 121st SIV.)



Sgt. David Arriaga peeps out of his foxhole to fend off the enemy. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Maggie C. Puskar)

Ohio Air Units Deploy To England for 'Coronet Pine'

The United States Air Force's Tactical Air Command (TAC) deployed nine A-7D aircraft from the Air National Guard's 178th Tactical Fighter Group's 162nd Tactical Fighter Squadron, Springfield-Beckly Municipal Airport, Ohio, and nine A-7D aircraft from the Air National Guard's 180th Tactical Fighter Group's 112th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Toledo Express Airport, Ohio to RAF Schulthorpe, United Kingdom from May 20 to June 17, 1989, in support of two short-term tactical deployments called CORONET PINE I and CORONET PINE II respectively.

While overseas, the 162nd TFS and 112th TFS trained with military elements of NATO. United States Air Forces in Europe's 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom, provided

support to the units while they were in the United Kingdom. The A-7s deployed across the Atlantic Ocean nonstop and were refueled in flight by Strategic Air Command (SAC) Aerial Refueling Tankers. Military Airlift Command (MAC) C-141 Starlifters transported approximately 180 Maintenance and Support people and their equipment from the 178th TFG and approximately 180 people from 180th TFG.

These temporary deployments are part of a larger program called Checkered Flag, in which United States-based Tactical Air units deploy to Europe, Alaska and the Pacific. The purpose of these short-term deployments is to familiarize Air Crews and Support people with overseas operating bases, areas and procedures.

'Think Safety,' Says Air Guard Leader

BY RAYMOND D. WEBER

Chief of Staff, Ohio Air National Guard

Safety just doesn't happen by itself. We, as experienced managers and supervisors, make it happen. As you are aware, safety takes no vacations.

To begin every task with a positive approach to safety, there are five basic functions in the process. The five interrelated functions are PLANNING, ORGANIZING, STAFFING, DIRECTING, and CONTROLLING. As good managers, we realize these five functions are continuous in nature; therefore, at the end of each day, controlling leads directly back to planning and the entire safety program is repeated. Effectiveness and improvement are vital as a result of this continuous, ongoing supervisory process.

Remember, the basic reason for an accident prevention program is to identify, correct or eliminate errors. The results of errors occur in random patterns, ranging from minor damage or injuries to total disasters. As we all realize in our daily lives, the vast majority of errors result in no damage or injury. Recall the old cliche', "I'd rather be lucky than good." I advocate "I'd like to be both good and

lucky in the true spirit of professionalism of our fellow guardsmen."

Organizing for flying and ground safety means incorporating safety awareness, sound principles and good operating procedures into all functions of supervision. Thus safety must become an integral part of our daily activities. An expanded list of our daily safety awareness activities would include: 1) assigning authority and responsibility (i.e. Flight Leaders, Aircraft Commanders, Vehicle Supervisors, Maintenance Technicians, Command Post Controllers, Heavy Equipment etc. to mention just a few). 2) Planning (i.e. the development of policies, objectives and methods). 3) Staffing, to include education and training. 4) The development and enforcement of good operating standards and directives. 5) An award and corrective system, (i.e. our annual Tappan Award or some type of correction criteria). Rewarding good behavior is always better than punishing bad behavior. Directives are rules of behavior - standards are measures of achievement; therefore standards must agree with both the unit's objectives and those of higher headquarters and must

be achievable in a safe manner.

The commander of every unit is accountable for all the unit's incidents and accidents. It does not matter that the commander was near the site of the occurrence, nor far removed from those organizationally involved. I can, therefore, think of no stronger argument and commitment for the need of our commander's involvement in organizing for safety. Organizing for flying and ground safety begins with the commander's acceptance of this accountability, and subsequent commitment to organizational safety. All unit members must share, with the unit commander, this accountability and commitment to safe operating practice and procedures. I might add that my personal feeling is that all of Ohio's outstanding commanders fall in this commitment to safety excellence. Their excellent safety record is indicative of their number one priority, Safety.

Safety is everyone's job. Do your part; set the tone and watch all the good things happen. We are not perfect people, but we strive for a perfect mission: to train, support and defend the United States of America.

O'Reilly Gets Award

Second Lt. Thomas O'Reilly, from the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, was chosen to receive the Citizen Soldier Award upon his recent graduation from the Air Force Academy of Military Science in Tennessee.

O'Reilly, from Westerville, is an administrative maintenance officer with the 121st. The award is given to the candidate that best represents the military image to both Air Force and civilian personnel.

O'Reilly had a head start on achieving success. During six years on active duty in the Air Force he was named Airman of the Year for the 3rd Air Division at Anderson AFB in Guam.

He joined the 121st in 1984 and graduated from Ohio State University in 1986 with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

179th Tactical Airlift Group Chosen ANG Comptroller Organization of '88

The 179th Tactical Airlift Group, Ohio Air National Guard, was recently chosen to receive the 1988 Air National Guard Comptroller Organization of the Year Award from among Air National Guard units across the country.

Commanded by Colonel Fred Larson, the unit's 13-member office supports approximately 169 Military Technician, 45 AGR and 870 military personnel at the Mansfield Lahm Airport, Mansfield, Ohio.

"The Comptroller office oversees paying the bills, computing travel vouchers, paying both the military and civilian employees and devising a budget for the base," said Sergeant Sandy Finfgeld, an office staff member.

Finfgeld said a board, comprised of Air

National Guard Support Center personnel from Andrews Air Force Base, judge the units based on a justification data sheet, which describes the outstanding programs and services the unit provides.

"The actions of the personnel assigned to the Comptroller function have clearly demonstrated professionalism, dependability, and sincerity in the performance of their duties," commented Brigadier General Phillip G. Killey, director of the Air National Guard.

"This is the first year the office has won the award," Colonel Larson added, "My personal feeling is they are an outstanding group. All too often, the support folks don't get the recognition they deserve."

The unit will represent the Air National Guard in Air Force-wide competition.



COL. HIGGINS (LEFT), BRIG. GEN MOORMAN

Tactical Flying Safety Award Goes To 178th TFG

The 178th Tactical Fighter Group (TFG) received the 1988 Ohio Tactical Flying Safety Award March 19 during ceremonies at Springfield Air National Guard (ANG) Base, Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport. Brig. Gen. Raymond E. Moorman, Deputy Chief of Staff, Ohio ANG, presented the award to Colonel Richard E. Higgins, Commander of the unit. Moorman described the award, which symbolized the combination of man and machine in competitive flight, as a tribute to the outstanding performance of

each of the more than 1,000 dedicated men and women who are members of the 178th TFG.

Areas evaluated include operational flying, operational limitations, safety inspections, exercises, and training. This award is presented annually to the Ohio ANG tactical fighter unit with the best flying safety program. The unit also received this award in 1987. The 178th TFG flies the A-7D, Corsair II Tactical Jet Fighter, which is capable of supporting worldwide air to ground combat operations.

Local Civil Air Patrol Awards Banquet Held

Members of the Springfield Ross P. Barrett Composite Squadron 702, Ohio Wing of the Civil Air Patrol, a tenant unit at Springfield Air National Guard (ANG) Base, Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport, were honored at a recent Group 7 awards banquet at the Wright-Patterson AFB Noncommissioned Officer's Club. Cadet Sergeant Michael Mausteller, Jr., was recognized as the Springfield ANG Base Outstanding Cadet of the Year for 1988. This award, sponsored by the 178th Tactical Fighter Group, is presented "in recognition of a demonstrated ability to inspire others to excel—

leadership." Cadet Sergeant Mausteller was presented the award by Colonel Richard E. Higgins, Commander of the 178th Tac Ftr Gp, which supports and hosts the Cadet program.

Other 702 Cadets recognized were Cadet Sergeant James A. Killion, Cadet with the most accomplishments; and Cadet Sergeant Lewis E. VanHoose, Outstanding Cadet of the Year. Cadet Squadron 702 Commander, Captain Michael Mausteller, Sr., was recognized as the Group 7 Squadron Commander of the Year by Lt Col Allen Neese, Group 7 Commander.

200th CES Is Hennessy Winner

The 200 Civil Engineer Red Horse Squadron, Camp Perry, Ohio, for the second consecutive year received the special Hennessy Award for having the best food service program in the Air National Guard small unit category.

Commanded by Colonel Phillip Williams, the Red Horse Squadron's food service section, which serves approximately 220 personnel, also won the award in 1988.

Food Service Officer Major Dennis Coy said the Hennessy Award is a national award given to the best of each branch of the United States Air Force, the Air Force Reserve and the Air National Guard.

Although the Hennessy Award has recognized selected United States Air Force and Air Force Reserve units since 1956, Coy said 1988 was the first year the Air National Guard was urged to compete.

The Hennessy Award program was created by John Lawrence Hennessy, a member of the Hoover Commission, who was recognized as one of the nation's most capable and respected hotel and restaurant executives before and during World War II. In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed Hennessy Chairman of the War Food Committee to develop food service systems capable of sustaining millions of military personnel involved in the war effort, Coy said.

"The 200 CERHS food service personnel have been able to foster the management effectiveness, attitude, professional bearing and teamwork that is so crucial to the Air Force Mission," he added.

Food Service personnel for the unit include: MSgt. Larry Ingram, Food Service Supervisor; TSgt. David Hofacker; SSgt. Rodolfo Garnza; SSgt. Loren Odegaard; Sgt. Jeffrey McNutt; SrA. Richard Lehmann and A1C Brett Fries.



TAC OFFICER, 2nd Lt. Robert C. Bramlish, encourages an officer candidate to "drive on." (Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Larry L. Rinehart)

OCS Promotes A Common Goal

BY J.D. BIROS

196th Public Affairs Detachment

There is a common goal that they're striving to accomplish.

There is no room for individuals. They must work as a team. Less than half of them made it this far.

It is within their grasps and they have earned it.

A brass bar. The rank of second lieutenant. The privilege to be a U.S. Army officer.

"You have to do it and do it and do it," said Officer Candidate School junior candidate Stewart T. Orr.

Orr, a member of OCS class 37, started in May on his trek through the Ohio Military Academy OCS program.

"Everything has a purpose here," he said. "Being a lieutenant is worth the work and it isn't for those who don't really want it."

For junior candidates like Orr, the first AT is a stressful one.

"We put a lot of mental and physical fatigue on the juniors, but we never take it too far," said 2nd Lt. Robert C. Bramlish, OCS TAC officer. "We want them to learn to respond under stress with a calm head. There are two things you can do in a situation. You can react and you can respond."

Reacting to a situation is an instant irrational act. Responding to the situation is a thinking process and the correct way to deal with a problem, Bramlish said.

The long days for candidates are filled with physical training and classes. The nights are short, providing only five hours of sleep. The way to make it through AT is teamwork.

For the senior candidates things are a little different the second AT. The stress and decision making is still there though.

"For the seniors, we use infantry tactics to teach leadership," said Maj. Albert E. Maynard, instructor.

Instruction includes day and night patrols, field tactics, movement on foot, armor orientation, use of helicopter air-lifts, battle situations and care of troops.

"The program is very selective by nature," said Staff Sgt. James J. McCambridge, OCS field instructor. "The candidates have to work hard and have to be motivated to make it."

Training combat-ready officers takes an experienced staff of instructors and personnel.

"OCS won't be able to go on without the support of other Ohio Guard units," Maynard said. Personnel from units each year volunteer time to provide manpower for OCS ATs. The program also has very little equipment of its own and depends on borrowing items needed for training.

"We graduate good officers because OCS is a good program," said Command Sgt. Maj. Jerry L. Wade, volunteer instructor from the 54th Support Center. Wade has assisted with OCS training for 10 years.

At the end of AT, junior candidate Orr watches as the seniors receive their commissions. He knows he has a long way to go and he doesn't know which of his classmates will go the distance. But he knows he can make it if he wants it.

And when he gets it, he'll wear the same bars that his father and his father before him wore when commissioned.



IN THE WOODS of Camp Custer, Michigan, Staff Sgt. James J. McCambridge instructs a class on tactical air movements to officer candidates. (Photo by Private 1st Class J.D. Biros)

PLDC Is Not Basic Training

BY KELLI BLACKWELL
HQ STARC

Some sergeants and specialists sign up for Primary Leadership Development Course because it's a prerequisite for promotion. Others sign up because it's a requirement for individual military occupations. Many are apprehensive, thinking they're getting involved in a two-week version of basic training.

"We don't yell at them. We don't dog them. We treat our NCOs with respect," said Sgt. Bonnie Menrath, administrative supervisor with the Ohio Military Academy.

This year, PLDC was conducted at the same sites as annual training. From July 8-22, Troop Command was at Camp Grayling, MI for AT. One-hundred-forty-five of its members, representing 10 units, participated in PLDC.

During the first week of the course, the group was divided into 11 squads. The students had classes on wearing of the uniform, fundamentals of leadership, air/land battle, and human behavior motivation. Physical training and Drill and Ceremony were practiced on a daily basis. Unlike typical courses, PLDC allows its students to learn how to lead and instruct.

In the classrooms, tables are set up in a square with students sitting on the out-

sides and the instructor at front. This arrangement promotes class participation.

"The small, informal groups are helpful, because you learn more if you can sit and talk things over instead of being lectured to, like in school," said PLDC student Sgt. Pat Francis of Company R, 4th Squadron, 107th Armored Cavalry. "I like the way the Army's gone from yelling at you like you're a nobody to teaching and treating you as an individual."

A three-day field training exercise took place during the second week, concentrating on common skills such as land

navigation, cover and concealment, field communication, and nuclear, chemical biological training. The students were graded on their readiness and defense of the opposing force, and performed rescue missions in given scenarios.

After graduation, sergeants and specialists have new feelings of self achievement. "PLDC deals with the specifics on the operations of the enlisted soldier," said Spec. Collin Artz, Co. H, 2nd Squadron, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment. "Your inputs are valued here."



PART OF the Primary Leadership Development Course for NCOs at Camp Grayling, Michigan, involves drill and ceremony commands. (Photo by 1st Lt. Jane M. Lengel)

PARALLELS

(Continued from cover)

Black helmets all around, humiliating, devastating, always
trying to break me
How can I think? What should I do? My PDORs are late.
Cadence is ringing in my ears.
One mistake, the platoon goes down, one sir, two sir ...
Request permission to recover.

A curious mixture of monotony and anxiety, never the same
but ever repeating
Counting the days till this game is over
Why don't I just sign my LOR
and curl up in my sleeping bag?

Cool morning air, another end, another beginning
Never recovering from the night before
Constant state of muscle soreness and mental fatigue
Never sleeping, never enough time.

Enemy all around, devastating, mutilating, always trying to
break through lines
How can I think? What should I do? My air support is late,
shells ringing in my ears
One mistake, the platoon goes down, one dies, two die
Only the enemy can grant permission to recover.

A curious mixture of monotony and anxiety, never the same
but ever repeating
Counting the seconds 'til this fire fight is over
Why don't I just sign my LOR
and curl up in my body bag?

—1st Lt. Michael Ore, Senior TAC, OCS
24HBI

"Sergeant Young Hall" Dedicated

Ohio WWII Hero Honored in Arkansas

Beyond the call of duty - the Medal of Honor is awarded by Congress to military personnel for gallantry and bravery in action against an enemy.

Roger Young, a 25-year-old Clyde, Ohio farm boy was one of 20 National Guard soldiers who earned the nation's highest military decoration during World War II.

Young was honored again April 15. The U.S. Army National Guard's Recruiting and Retention Department dedicated a portion of the Professional Education Center at Camp Robinson, North Little Rock, to the memory of this gallant soldier.

Born at Tiffin, Ohio, Young grew up during the Great Depression. He liked baseball, dancing, bowling and country music.

He joined the Ohio National Guard when he was 19. The Buckeye State accepted him for service in spite of poor eyesight and hearing problems.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, facing the threat of war, federalized the National Guard in 1940. Young was assigned to the 148th Infantry Regiment, 37th Infantry Division and, shortly after the bombing at Pearl Harbor, transferred to the Pacific to fight the Japanese.

His unit invaded New Georgia, a small island in the Solomon Islands, where his actions would earn him the nation's highest honor.

As daylight faded on the last day of July, 1943, Young's platoon was in an advanced position when a Japanese machine gun on his left flank opened fire from 75 yards away, cutting Young's platoon off from the main body. Young was hit in the shoulder during the first burst of fire.

Young shouted to his platoon sergeant and old school friend, "Get the platoon out of here! I'll take care of this machine gun!"

He crawled slowly toward the gun. Another burst of fire tore through his right hand, smashing his rifle and ripping his chest apart. He crawled on, severely injured, throwing grenades until he was within 10 yards of the Japanese. His platoon was still pinned down and he was down to his last grenade. He pulled the pin. The machine gun caught him again as he raised up to throw. But his aim had been good; his last grenade had killed the Japanese gun crew.

His platoon returned the next morning, wrapped his body in tent cloth and buried him where he had fallen. They

placed a wooden cross over his grave.

Young's parents received their son's posthumous Medal of Honor on Jan. 6, 1944.

His memory lives today in the hearts of National Guard soldiers who will walk through "Sergeant Young Hall" and remember that heroes are not born as such. Action in the face of adversity, decisions based on leadership development, and dedication to the principles of freedom make for heroic action.

And makes for men like Rodger Young.



Roger W. Young

Conference Provides Forum For Army Trainers

BY NATALIE GARVIN
State Public Affairs Office

Trainers from Army Guard units throughout Ohio gathered in Worthington this spring for the first State Training Conference. Approximately 130 people attended including representatives from detachments, companies and major command headquarters, said Lt. Col. Dennis Tomcik of State Training Office.

Tomcik said the intent of the conference was to familiarize people with the state training office and put faces with names. The conference provided a forum for trainers from the field.

The conference also covered items coming up in the future. Tomcik said several of the ideas submitted will be used. Sgt. Maj. Michael Howley of Troop Command was chairman of a committee

of senior training NCOs of all commands in the state. The committee developed the Trainer's Workbook which is intended to change with current training philosophy. It is focused at the new unit trainer, but also responsive to the needs of all unit trainers, Howley said.

"The Trainer's Workbook provides a standard guidance for training management in Ohio National Guard units," Howley said.

The workbook covers areas such as training management, standardized yearly training plans, information on processing of school applications, weapons qualifications, and civilian education programs.

"The book already has been very well received by trainers who indicate that they are happy it's finally available," Howley said.

Other plans discussed at the conference were the making of video tapes of required mandatory briefings. Tomcik hopes this will be done before the next training year. They are also developing a standard policy for units without the proper rank structure to conduct Skill Qualification Testing which is part of the Individual Training and Evaluation Program of Ohio.

The main goal is to reduce the administrative workload in the area of training. "Generals Richard Alexander and Thomas Schulte fully support this," Tomcik said.

"The State Training conference may become an annual meeting. Future meetings will be geared more toward work groups rather than a general conference."

107th Soldiers Rescue Civilians

BY J.D. BIROS

196th Public Affairs Detachment

The 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment Scouts: the eyes and ears of the Ohio National Guard ... to search and report.

On the cold, rainy night of July 12 at Camp Grayling, MI., 2nd Squadron of the 107th did more.

While blazing a trail during night maneuvers, Troop Foxtrot, first platoon experienced difficulty with a M-113 armored personnel carrier.

When the crew stopped to examine the vehicle, they discovered something they hadn't anticipated, said 2nd Lt. Kevin R. Clouse, 2/107th tank commander, Massillon.

The dismounted scouts heard cries of "Mayday, mayday, G.I.s help" off in the distance.

"I saw a glare about 200 meters out through the night vision goggles," said Sgt. Bill T. Christman, 2/107th track commander, Massillon.

Quickly but cautiously, the scouts approached the scene.

"We weren't sure what it was. We thought it might be the opposition force, but when we called out to ask if it was a real life emergency, we knew something was wrong," Clouse said.

Troop F then went to administrative status and turned on their service lights. Huddled around a small fire sat four cold, wet, lost civilians.

Norman Seavers from Bohemus, Mich., his wife, Jenneveue and their two grandchildren, Liberty Bell, 13, and Norman, 9, had been looking for a piece of property for sale when their 1989 Lincoln Towncar became stranded in the sand.

They deserted their car in search of assistance at 10 p.m. and found only disorientation.

The Seavers wandered into the forests of Camp Grayling and were caught in a rain storm. After walking for two-to-three hours, they built a small fire from their clothes to protect themselves from the cold and hopefully be spotted. They were found at 1 a.m. by the Guardsmembers near a restricted

mortar impact zone.

Seavers and his grandson wore only their pants and his wife and granddaughter were robed in the bare minimum clothes, Christman said.

The Military Police were radioed for assistance and members of Troop F provided field jackets, blankets and shelter halves to the civilians, Clouse said.

When the MPs arrived, three members of Troop F had remained behind with the Seavers while the rest of the unit continued on their mission, LeBrasseur said.

Clouse, Christman and Spec. Paul Valko stayed to comfort the civilians.

Crawford County Sheriff's Department was notified of the situation and the MPs transported the Seavers to town.

"Two of the MPs gave their jackets to keep the people warm. We put them in the vehicles and turned up the heat," LeBrasseur said.

The 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment Scouts: the eyes, ears and heart of the Ohio National Guard.

New Chemical Company Gives Its All

BY KELLI D. BLACKWELL

HQ STARC

Chemical agents aren't used to kill, per se, they're used to disable and incapacitate. They create casualties, allowing easy take over by the aggressor. The opposing forces are ready. And now, so is the Ohio Army National Guard.

The Ohio Guard is one of only two Guard units within the nation that has a chemical company. The 107th Chemical Company is a newly organized unit of the 107th Armored Cavalry in Stow, Ohio. Sgt. 1st Class Frank Faletic, operation sergeant, said, "In recent years there has been greater emphasis on nuclear, biological and chemical defense."

The chemical company, organized in October 1988, performed its first annual training July 8-22, at Camp Grayling, MI. With its activation date as Oct. 1, 1989, the company is authorized 72 personnel, but has, so far, only 17 members. Thirteen went to Camp Grayling.

"Because of our newness and because of our strength, it's difficult for us to perform our missions," said Faletic. He said their biggest hindrances are the lack of equipment and military occupational specialty qualified people. "MOS 54B, Chemical Defense, is for soldiers who want to do new and different challenges in the National Guard."

While at annual training the chemical company set up deliberate and hasty decontamination points. According to Reconnaissance

Section Leader Staff Sgt. Norman Walters, deliberate decon is thorough and complete decontamination of NBC agents to a safe environment; hasty decon eliminates enough contaminants from personnel and equipment to safely allow movement into a chemical-clear environment.

The company also planned and performed smoke and CS gas attack mission, hasty bridge crossing, water and fuel support, and NBC reconnaissance.

Sgt. 1st Class John Gibbons, reconnaissance platoon sergeant, said, "On NBC recon mis-

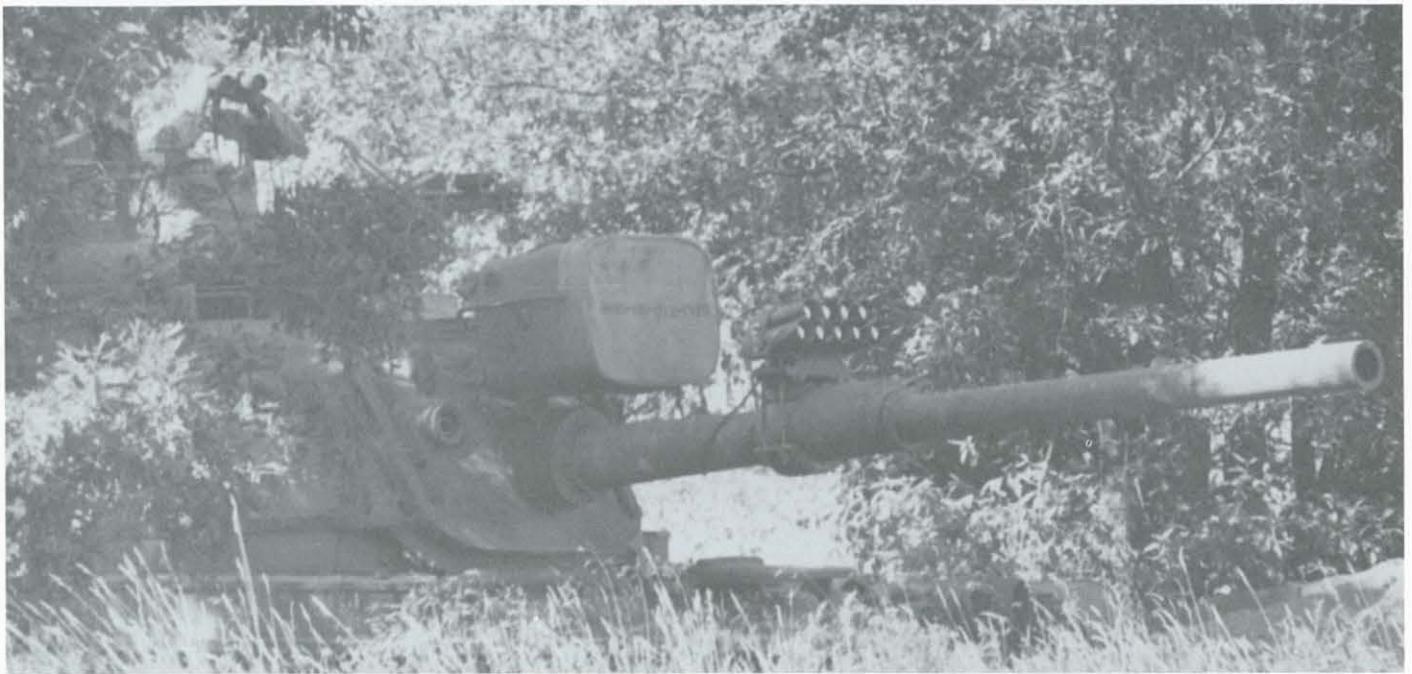
sions we search, observe and report on known or suspected areas that may be subjected to NBC contamination. We determine the type and level of contamination density, and report findings to our higher headquarters."

Faletic summarized, "We do a whole lot with very little. We may have only 13 people here, but we have the attitude of 130."

For more information on becoming a member of the 107th Chemical Company, contact 1st Sgt. James Gribble at (216) 929-9772.



Staff Sgt. Dominic Dalesandro of HHT. 2/107th ACR, sets off smoke canisters during a Hasty Bridge Crossing exercise at Camp Grayling, MI. (Photo by Sgt. Kelli D. Blackwell)



An opposing force M-48A5 tank commander scans the terrain for the enemy.



A UH-1H "Huey" helicopter makes another run into the bush of Camp Grayling, Michigan.

STORY AND PHOTOS

BY

Sgt. 1st Class Dave P. Swavel

Sgt. Kelli D. Blackwell

Sgt. Thomas E. Hilliard

Private 1st Class J.D. Biros



F troop, 2nd Squadron scouts Pvt. 2 Shane Burch and Private 1st Class Michael Duda recon a chemical contaminated area.

107th at the Forefront of Battle



Staff Sgt. David Baus, F troop, 2nd Squadron, tank commander stands ready on his M-60 machine gun.



Staff Sgt. Dominic Delesandro, a member of the new 107th chemical company, decontaminates a tank.

The bugle no longer blares, the horses no longer gallop, but the Cavalry is still there.

Radios are now the trumpets and M-113 tracks and M-48A5 tanks are now the beasts of burden.

The 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment is at the forefront of the battle, to report what they see and hear of enemy movement back to the main body of the Army.

In addition to the actual combat units within the 107th, there are the regimental support squadron and the 4th Squadron air cavalry with UH-58 scout helicopters and AH-1 Cobra attack helicopters.

Also newly assigned to the regiment is the 107th chemical company. Their mission is to provide chemical agents and to decontaminate the regiment in the event of chemical hazards.

The Cavalry: the information network for the Army. If the enemy is near, the Cav is the first to know.



Spec. Tony Pasadyn, scout observer for Troop I, 3rd Squadron, prepares to move out.

Blackhawks Are 'Air Mobile'

BY J.D. BIROS

196th Public Affairs Detachment

Stirring the winds and vibrating with thuds of thunder, the ominous black shape hovers above the soldiers' heads.

If not for the third soldier supporting the other two, the whirlwinds would surely blow them off the M102 Howitzer cannon.

Floating on air, the UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter maneuvers into position with the help of the ground control man. First comes the grounding wire to prevent the hook man from being shocked by volts of static electricity created by the helicopter. Next comes the hook.

With the soldiers scurrying to safety, ground control gives the thumbs up sign. The Blackhawk bounds to the skies dangling its bounty beneath.

"Duel training in Air Mobile Operations for both aviation and the field artillery," said Capt. Philip C. Lootens, 1/136th Field Artillery, Columbus, battalion fire direction officer.

In cooperation with the 7158th Troop Movement, Army Reserve, St. Louis, the 1/136th practiced covert artillery raids during annual training at Camp Grayling, Mich.

"Following an advance team, a platoon of guns is flown in behind enemy lines," Lootens said. "They engage their targets

and then the Blackhawks come back in and pick them up."

The operation allowed Howitzer platoons to become familiar with cannon-to-helicopter hook ups and securing slings for airlifts.

For the first time, pilots and flight crews of the 7158th performed airlifts with actual gun platoons and cannons. In past training, weights were used to simulate Howitzers.

While different gun section crews practiced movement to and from the helicopters and linking the Howitzers, flight crews also traded off to gain experience.

"For both flight crews and gun platoons, it's realistic training," Lootens said. "It also builds cooperation and allows us to work across the lines of National Guard and Reserves."

Out of the sea of gray clouded sky they come, soaring like birds of war with prey in their claws. They swoop low to the ground releasing the cannons, then swing hard to the left and drop the soldiers to rush to them.

As the Blackhawks climb back into the sky, the field artillery goes to work, adjusting their settings and engaging the enemy.

Mission accomplished.

Pewther Winds Up 38-Year Career

BY DAVID RISHER

147th Infantry Battalion

Annual Training '89 was the grand finale for former CSM William R. Pewther. After 38 years of military duty, including 23 years in the Ohio National Guard, Pewther has retired. His military career began with the Army in Korea with the 7th DIV Tank Company and later with the 8th Army. Pewther is best remembered as the former Command Sergeant Major for the 1/147th Infantry of Cincinnati. His last assignment was NCOIC for

the Cincinnati Recruiting Region, covering 22 units.

"CSM Pewther has always been known for his concern for the troops and he'll be missed by many people, not only in the 147th but the entire 73rd Brigade," said CSM John Wagner of the 1/147th.

When asked the difference between his first and last Annual Training, Pewther replied, "The equipment is more sophisticated, but the smiles of the men haven't changed."

Did You Know . . .

. . . that the pay for Enlisted Men, regardless of rank, at annual training in 1905, was \$1.00 per day PLUS "rations at a rate not to exceed forty cents a day?" A second lieutenant, not mounted, was paid \$1.75 per day.

. . . that during the Spanish-American War, three Ohio National Guard Regiments served in the combat zones — the 4th, 6th, and 8th? Only the 4th, now the 166th Infantry, was in combat. They were engaged at Barrio de Las Palmas, near Guayama, Puerto Rico. Five men were wounded in that engagement.



COL. CLYDE E. GUTZWILLER

Gutzwiller Receives Legion of Merit

Col. Clyde E. Gutzwiller, the Ohio National Guard's assistant quartermaster general, was recently presented the Legion of Merit for his service as commander of the 73rd Infantry Brigade from 1984 to 1987.

"It was a complete surprise. I was called down for a practice for an awards ceremony and told at the last minute I would be receiving it," he said. Gutzwiller is the first soldier in Ohio to receive the Legion of Merit while still serving in the Guard. It is an award usually reserved for active duty soldiers upon their retirement.

"I felt kind of lonely up there receiving it, kind of like the conductor of an orchestra taking a bow for all the work done by the people under him," Gutzwiller said. "I should have had about 4,200 soldiers there with me."

Gutzwiller took command of the 73rd in July of 1984 and was promoted to Brigadier General in October of that year as an M-day soldier. He took back the rank of colonel to become the quartermaster as a full-time state employee. He served as a federal technician for the state from 1958 until 1984.

. . . under laws of Ohio in 1904, each regiment and separately organized battalion was required to have a band? (Bands were a part of the Ohio National Guard until World War II.)

. . . that 178 Ohioans served as Generals during the Civil War in every grade from Brigadier General to General (U.S. Grant)?

Guard Bullrider Is 'Urban Cowboy'

BY TRACY L. WALCUTT
73d Infantry Brigade

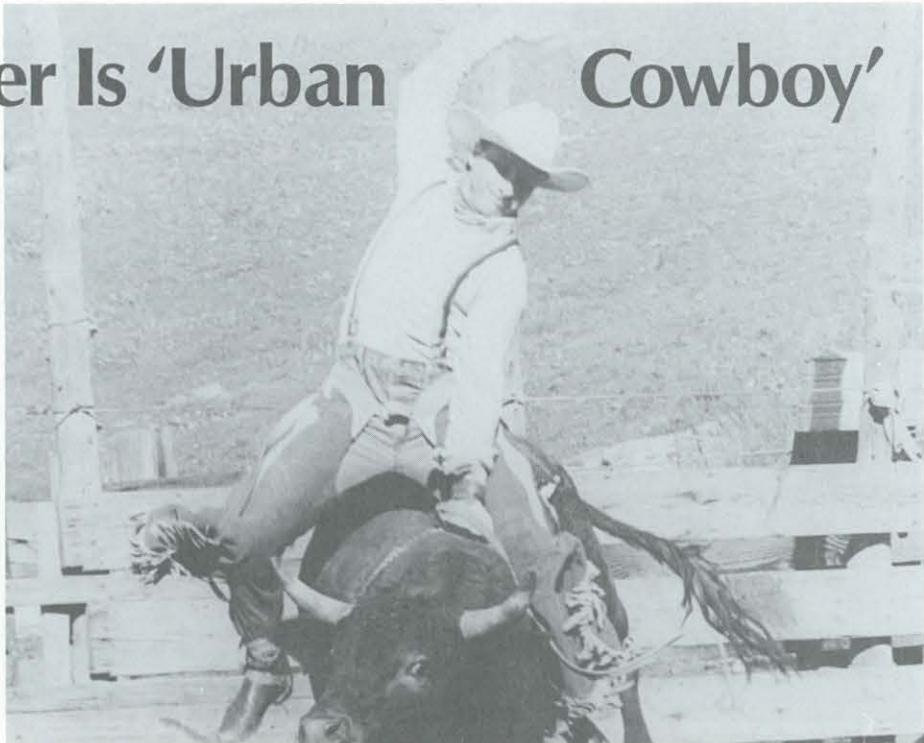
Columbus may be referred to as a "Cowtown" by some, but Sgt. Tim Calvin of the Ohio Army National Guard, says he's one of a small number of so-called 'urban cowboys' living in Columbus who ride bulls as a hobby.

Calvin, a member of the 136th Field Artillery Battalion, recently placed 6th overall and was named "Rookie of the Year" for 1988 by the Mid-State Rodeo Association. The ranking came as a result of his participation in approximately 15-20 rodeos throughout the United States during 1988.

Calvin, 24, also represents the Ohio Army National Guard as a member of the Military Rodeo Association.

Calvin called bullriding a "crazy sport that, once involved, becomes a way of life because there's no real team or coach," Calvin said.

Calvin said he became interested in bullriding while on active duty for the United States Army in Germany, where "I had some friends who rode bulls for the European Rodeo Association."



"COWTOWN COWBOY" — Sergeant Tim Calvin of the Ohio Army Guard's 136th Field Artillery Battalion struts his stuff as a bullrider. (Photo courtesy Mid-States Rodeo Association.)

Calvin said the worst part about a hobby such as bullriding is finding a place to practice. He and a roommate have a 'bucking' machine in their garage, but "it uses too much voltage to plug in," he said. Instead, on those weekends when

Calvin isn't attending guard drills, he said he goes to a stock farm in Nashville, Ohio, to improve his bullriding skills.

"Basically, it's like you're working with the animal, trying to beat it, and yet, still trying to work with it," Calvin explained.

Safety School Stresses Risk Assessment

BY KELLI BLACKWELL
HQ STARC

One of the National Guard's goals for the 1990s is an increase in safety awareness and recognizing risks before they turn into accidents.

"We're in a hazardous business. We must continue to be alert for ways to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and safety of all National Guard operations," said Col. Walter Duzzny, safety officer for the Ohio National Guard.

To promote safer procedures, the State Safety Office has created "Safety School '89," an eight-hour course updating state safety NCOs and officers on training and techniques.

Accidents cause needless loss of equipment, man hours and lives, resulting in a drain on combat readiness. During Vietnam, accidental deaths claimed 5,700

soldiers, 15 percent of that war's casualties.

Operational commanders in the National Guard need to be more aware of potential accidents. Safety needs to become part of tactical operations. Each operation must begin with a risk assessment, Duzzny said, and the operation must be determined to have either a high, moderate, or low risk factor.

The following factors are key to risk assessment for a tactical operation.

- **Mission Analysis** — Safety risks associated with each phase of the mission should be identified before the beginning of the operation.

- **Risk Assessment** — The risk implication must be determined. The questions to be asked beforehand are: What is the likelihood of a mishap? and What degree of injury or equipment damage or injury is possible? A good understanding of the facts will make for good risk decisions.

- **Supervision** — Leaders need to use the same supervision techniques, such as on-site spot checks and performance indicators, to monitor risk controls as well as monitoring overall operations.

- **Soldier Endurance** — Leaders must see that soldiers receive the appropriate amount of rest relative to the duties of the mission so that the operation can be completed with utmost alertness and awareness.

- **Equipment Factor** — Soldier must know their equipment's capabilities and condition. PMCS must be performed prior to and after operations to ensure safety.

- **Environmental Control** — The terrain, weather, and conditions of the operation's environment must be known and taken into consideration.

Using these guidelines is important in assessing the risks associated with any mission before it is undertaken.



TREATMENT — 2Lt. Daniel Sterling treats a victim with facial burns during a training exercise at Camp Grayling, Michigan. (Photo by SPC David Roby)

107th MEDEVAC TRAINING

BY KELLI BLACKWELL
HQ STARC

"When we drove up in the ambulance, we saw people strewn everywhere, screaming in pain," said 2nd Lt. Daniel Sterling, field medical assistant. "We got a call and were prepared to treat 10 casualties. But when we got there, there were 17 — one person was in a tree."

The Medical Section of Headquarters Troop, 2nd Squadron, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment took action during a mass casualty and medical evaluation (Medevac) exercise at Camp Grayling, MI, July 13.

"This is my fifth annual training here, and this was the first time we worked with Medevac," said Spec. Doug Dearth, a medic. "It was very effective training."

Various guardmembers of the 2nd Squadron acted as combat casualties, creating a combat scenario for the medics.

Sgt. David Ingold, medic, said, "We had to use triage evaluation, which is French for sorting: those who needed immediate attention were treated first; those who were likely to die, and those who could wait for medical assistance were treated last."

"The triage NCO has to play god in deciding who's going to live and who's going to die," he added.

The Medical Section provides support for five units of the 107th (Troops E, F and G, H Company and Howitzer Battery). Throughout the year, they've treated lacerations, sutured, and administered IVs to heat casualties, but the mass casualty and Medevac exercise trained the medics differently. It taught them how to respond and react during combat.

"You have X-amount of medical supplies and X-amount of room for treatment said Ingold.

Helicopters and ambulances were radioed in for the exercise.

"I had to tell some casualties that there was no room on the ambulance and we'd take them the next run. They'd grab my arm saying, 'No, take me! Don't leave me here!' I was glad when one guy broke and said, 'Pretty good acting, huh,' because it was beginning to seem too real," Sterling said.

"Our purpose is to provide immediate care in the field," said Combat Medic, Spec. Thomas Berkshire. "This AT period showed us that."

An evaluation team from the Fourth Army, Fort Bliss, Texas, graded the Ohio

National Guard during each exercise performed at annual training. Capt. Howe, an evaluator of the Medical Section scored the unit's performance as "excellent," saying that they performed the best in a mass casualty treatment exercise that he had seen in the past 2½ years.

MP Duties More Than Patrol Work

BY J.D. BIROS
196th Public Affairs Detachment

What if ...
... a soldier is placed in the shoes of a military police officer?

"They would see us as the good guys instead of the bad guys," said Spec. Deanne L. McInerney, 324th Military Police Company, Youngstown.

When the MPs begin their training, the idea constantly enforced in their minds is that the military police are "... of the troops, for the troops ..."

"We're not out to bust people, we are here to help them," said 2nd Lt. Larry St. Clair, 323rd MP Company, Toledo. "People make mistakes, but when you make one in the Army, it can cost you a lot."

Instead of arresting soldiers, the MPs try to keep them out of trouble. "We try to make everything safe for the troops. We're not here to hassle them, we work to keep things under control."

But the mission of the MPs is more than maintaining the peace. They handle VIP tours, assist and supervise transportation of soldiers to camp for annual training, accidents between civilians and military personnel, provide a crime deterring presence at the AT payroll, foot patrols at night to prevent rapes, stabbings and muggings, town patrols working with civilian authorities and assistance whenever called on.

They hold daily inspections, have classes on MP responsibilities, keep daily journals and follow the advice of the judge advocate general.

"The MPs handle situations professionally and things run smoothly," St. Clair said.

McInerney is glad she joined the Ohio National Guard as a military police officer. She said she'd have no other job in the Guard because the MPs "protect the safety of the soldiers."



ADVISING

representatives to Buckeye Boys' State on opportunities available to them in the Ohio National Guard are Brig. Gen. Thomas D. Schulte, Assistant Adjutant General for Army, Ohio National Guard, and MSgt. Denny Walter, NCOIC of the Columbus Region, State Recruiting and Retention Office. (Photo by Tracy Walcutt)

Guard Supports Boys/Girls State Programs

BY TRACY WALCUTT
73d Infantry Brigade

Assistant Adjutant Generals Thomas C. Schulte and Robert R. Preston visited the 53rd Annual Buckeye Boys' State at Bowling Green State University and the 43rd Annual Buckeye Girls' State at Ashland College June 17-25.

The conferences were created to give high school juniors the opportunity to create and organize a mock state and governmental body. The states students established were complete with a governor, adjutant general, national guard, highway patrol, Chamber of Commerce, courts and businesses.

In order to inform the students about the Ohio National Guard, Sgt. 1st Class Wayne Pelter and Master Sgt. Dennis Walter, from the State Recruiting and Retention office, were two of many advisors during the 10 day Boys' State conference.

Sgt. 1st Class Christine Manning and Staff Sgt. Pamela Power, also of the State Recruit-

ing and Retention office, advised the girls.

"We were there to tell them about women in the National Guard, and about the Guard in general," Powers said.

The students conducted campaigns for office in their governments. The students who placed second in each governor's race took the office of the adjutant general. He or she then chose a cabinet, including two assistant adjutant generals, quartermaster general, disaster services administrator and recruiting and retention manager.

The students then recruited fellow 'Staters' into the National Guard. This year, the boys recruited over 400, while the girls enlisted nearly 600 of their peers to make up the Girls' State National Guard.

"This was the first time we've recruited this many girls," Powers said. "Usually, we only enlist 80 to 100 girls."

In addition to recruiting a National Guard for the mock government, the students creat-

ed a budget, established a payroll, and participated in a disaster exercise, she said.

After swearing them into the mock National Guard, Gen. Preston took the girls on a tour of the Mansfield Lahm Air National Guard Base.

During his visit to both conferences, Gen. Schulte advised the students, "Go to college and get a viable degree, so you can offer something to society. Get an education and wisdom and experience will follow. Becoming successful doesn't necessarily mean making a lot of money. Instead, be happy ... be content with yourself."

Boys' State Adjutant General Maurice Trentel, 17, of Lakewood, said, "The lesson that goes with Boys' and Girls' State is one every high school student should learn — and that is responsibility."

Amy Hammer, of Berea, was the Adjutant General of Girls' State.

SWARING THEM IN —

Brig. Gen. Robert Preston, Assistant Adjutant General for Air, Ohio National Guard, conducts a swearing-in ceremony for Girls' State representatives. (Photo by SPC Tracy Walcutt)



Retired Colonel Welsh Dies In Colorado

It is with regret that we report the death of retired Ohio National Guard Colonel Robert James Welsh. Colonel Welsh died unexpectedly on March 12, 1989, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Colonel Welsh's widow, Jessie, is the daughter of the former Ohio Adjutant General, Major General Leo M. Kreber. Welsh's son, Robert, is Director for Planning at the Defense Communications Agency, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Colonel Robert James Welsh was born Sept. 11, 1914. He joined the Ohio National Guard Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 136th Field Artillery in 1939. He quickly rose to the enlisted rank of Sergeant and then was commissioned as a second lieutenant in Headquarters, 62nd Artillery Brigade in 1940.

Entering Active Duty in 1942, he served overseas during World War II with the 37th Infantry Division for three years. After the Allied Victory, he continued to serve in field artillery as a colonel.

Colonel Welsh graduated from Steele High School, Dayton, and attended Miami University, Oxford, before enlisting in the Ohio National Guard.

Gill Receives Hero Award

Major Dennis Gill of the Toledo Air Guard received yet another accolade for his efforts in guiding his crashing A-7 jet fighter plane away from a populated area on June 22, 1988.

Major Gill was honored on April 18, 1989 at the 22nd Annual President's Hero Award Banquet of the Toledo-Lucas County Safety Council. Major General Ron Bowman of the Ohio National Guard is a member of the Council Board of Directors.



BEIGHTLER AUDIENCE ENJOYS CONCERT — The 112d Ohio Army National Guard Band performs for employees of state headquarters at Beightler Armory. The brown bag concert on June 23 was conducted by Bandmaster, CWO 2 David Brunner. (Photo by SSgt. Jim Himes)

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The 122d Ohio Army National Guard Band is looking for good musicians. If you are a member of the Guard and would like to have a musical audition to test your skills as a possible band member, consider making the move.

To find out about the band, call (614) 889-7191/7251.

Vacancies that exist include: French horn player, and trombone, clarinet, oboe and saxophone players.

Medic Trades Stethoscopes For Crossed Rifles

After five years of directing the Medical Platoon for Headquarters Company, 1/147th INF, PSG Garry Cutright is now leading the entire Company as First Sergeant.

"In an Infantry unit a First Sergeant is usually selected from one of the Weapons Platoons but Cutright's leadership abilities and the respect he has gained from his subordinates made him the unanimous choice for the position," stated CPT David Galloway, the Company Commander.

After serving eight years in the Army as NCOIC TMC #2 at Fort Polk, Cutright came into the Guard on the Tuition Grant Program so he could study at North Eastern University.

The most notable change in the Company since his appointment is the improved and "stepped up" Physical Training Program he has put on a regular schedule. In a recent interview Cutright stated; "Physical readiness is essential for mental acuity, once we reach that point, the rest of our military tasks can be performed to a higher degree of standards."

"PSG Cutright has a lot of ambition and drive," states one of the men from his former platoon, "it's only natural to rub off on those around you."

SPACE-A Data Available

The editors of Military and Diplomats World News are offering free to members of the Ohio National Guard a listing of military SPACE-A flights and terminal telephone numbers.

To receive this information, send a stamped self-addressed envelope to: Military World News, SPACE-A, P.O. Box 10808, Dept. 9SP-907, Arlington, VA 22210-1808.

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1/147th History Highlighted

BY DAVE RISHER
147th Infantry Battalion

"Sgt. Woodrow 'Woody' Sick, with the assistance of the Retention Team of the 1/147th Infantry, put together the most impressive battalion history displays I've ever seen," said CSM John Wagner. This was the same response of everyone who viewed the display. The idea came about in order to show the guard members the long and proud heritage of the 1/147th.

While delving into the past the retention team discovered many lost or forgotten items such as an officer's uniform dating back to World War I, a captured Japanese sword from World War II, and numerous photographs taken by former members while stationed in the South Pacific. As the project began to "snow-

ball" many donations came in from other sources, especially former members, and in some cases their widows.

Sick made a special trip to Columbus to use some of items maintained by brigade pertaining to the 1/147th. Some of the old newspaper articles discovered brought to light some facts that even some of the "old timers" weren't aware of: Such as the "riots" that took place in Dayton, Ohio in 1949 during a labor strike.

The troops were so impressed with the display it was decided to present it to the families during the Annual Awards Dinner and Family Appreciation Day.

Some guardmembers saw pictures and stories about their fathers and grandfathers who also served their country proudly as members of the 1/147th Infantry!

371st Members Train With Japanese

BY DAN DARRAGH
371st Support Group

Five members of the 371st Support Group participated in an annual bilateral command post exercise in Japan.

"Yama Sakura XV" was conducted with the Japanese Ground Self Defense Force against simulated aggressor forces.

Soldiers from the 371st who visited the land of the rising sun were Lt. Col. Harold Crites, Maj. Larry Johnson, Capt. Rick Hammond, and MSgts Carl Weisenberger and Paul Von Richter.

Acting as one of the two support

groups under the 311th Corps Support Command, the mission was to provide service support to combat units.

The exercise took place on Hokkaido, the northernmost island of Japan.

Johnson said the emphasis of the mission was to depend more on mutual support than specifically host nation support.

"There was no unilateral command structure," he said. "The Japanese operated under their chain of command and we under ours. It was a true bilateral operation, requiring careful coordination."

People

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 16TH ENGINEER BRIGADE

Promotions

Sp4: Gary Conliffe

PFC: Teri Laura

Pvt. 2: Daniel Shank

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: Sgt. Claude Wright

54TH REAR AREA OPERATIONS CENTER

SFC: John O'Keefe, Brenda Cummings

Sgt.: Mitch Gorsuch

Sp4: Tommie Blackledge, John Durant, Matthew Hittle, Ashley Menges, Eric King

PFC: Paul Lambert, David Routh

COMPANY M 3/107TH ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT

Promotions

SSgt.: Gregg Hillman, Lawrence Tillman

Sgt.: Paul Lower, David Whims

Sp4: William Hughes

PFC: Theodore Troyer

Pvt. 2: Todd Clifford, Anthony Scribner

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 112TH MEDICAL BRIGADE

Awards

Army Commendation Medal: Sgt. James Sears

Army Achievement Medal: COL Robert Clark

121ST TACTICAL FIGHTER WING

Promotions

TSgt.: Susan Williams, David Thomas, Michelle Robinson, Margaret Puskar, Charles Mills, Liberace Malbon, Thomas Holmes, Sammy Hade, Roger Caldwell, Tommy Calhoun, Daniel Porter, Donald Ingram, Mark Craig

SSgt.: Jeffrey Stroud, Rodney Griffith, Joseph Daniels, Troy Brock, Angela

Stephens, James Sonderman, Todd Primer, William Pantoja

SrA: Kelly Sullivan, Shannon Standish, George Mackey, Douglas Keiffer, Rebecca Jessing, Penny Hamilton, Robert Fulkerson, Jason Francis, David Dugdeon, Marc Dopp, Shaun Beal, David Walters, Michael Schaefer, Robert Ruh, Benjamin Reed, Tobias Oswald, John Martin, Evelyn Horsley, Sue Coon, Shannon Bloom, Brenda Downes, Rodney Thomas

A1C: Alvin Sanders, Jr., Todd Steiner, David Norris

Amn.: Todd Beard, Gene Grandenburg, Jr., Janell Raymond, David Scott, Beth Shepherd, Craig Skillings

135TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

Promotions

2nd Lt.: Dwayne Hallman, Harold Thomas

1st Lt.: Michael Conneley

1st Sgt.: James Copeland

SFC: Emanuel Davis, Gregory Pollard

SSgt.: James Craig, Josephine Foose, Lucius Williams, Richard Robinson

SPC: Charles Brown, Scott Cornell, Edward Fisher, Marc Kruse, Louis Nahas, Barry Paghi, Tomothy Papp, Yasmine Suliman, Jay Miller, Diedre Schuster, Phillip Terrigno, James Vinson

PFC: Paula Martinez, Dean Boland, Charles Brown, Scott Cornell, Suzanne Crewe, Christopher Davidson, Thomas Geiger, Kimberly Phillips, Susan Tokar

Pvt.: Julia Greathouse, Laura Stevens

BATTERY A, 1/136TH FIELD ARTILLERY

Promotions

SSgt.: Joseph Headley

Awards

Army Commendation Medal: 1st Lt. Steven Schemine

Ohio Commendation Medal: Sgt. Matthew Willauer, Cpl. Joseph Jacquot, Cpl. Joel Castaneda, Cpl. Sean Smith

Army Achievement Medal: Cpl. Gregory Stephens

COMPANY B, 1/147TH INFANTRY BATTALION

Promotions

Sgt.: Philip Pittman

Cpl.: Franklin Davis, Jonathan Harding, Johnny Kennedy, Jr., Shannon Sulfridge

PFC.: Eric Hamant, Jeffery Hunn, Blake Willingham

Pvt. 2: John Green, Scott Miller, Anthony Patch, Lindley Wert

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY (-DETACHMENT 1)

1/148TH

INFANTRY BATTALION

Awards

Army Commendation Medal: PFC Todd Geren

COMPANY C (-) 1/148TH INFANTRY BATTALION

Promotions

Capt.: Joseph Harvey

SSgt.: James Schaffner

Sgt.: Robert Black, Charles Ames

Sp4: Kurt Leatherman, Charles Schreiber

155TH MAINTENANCE COMPANY

Promotions

SSgt.: Marilyn Morton-Wimberly

Sgt.: Maria Heard

Sp4: Lisa James, Donald Morris

PFC: Jenifer Williamson, Shirley King, Joseph Loucek

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 1/166TH INFANTRY BATTALION

Promotions

Sp4: Ralph Abraham, Christopher Bailey, Bryan Blankenship, Jimmie Vera, Timothy Jewett

PFC: Timothy Pitman, Jeffrey Poulton, Melissa Loudermilk

Pvt. 2: Ronald Cash, Jason White, John Pritchard

**COMPANY C, 1/166TH INFANTRY
BATTALION****Promotions**

Sgt.: Matthew Canterbury, Christopher Glauner, Robert Imel, Michael Snyder, Michael Wallbrown, Duane Smith

BATTERY C (-Det 1) 2/174TH AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY BATTALION**Promotions**

SSgt.: John Sperry
Sgt.: Rick Nelson
PFC: David Fulmer, Mark Phillips, Mike Neville, Daren Roe
Pvt. 2: Robert Green, Phillip Turner, Steve Morgan

178TH TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP**Promotions**

SMSgt.: Robert Ziegenbusch
MSgt.: Bruce Fuller, John Liscar, Raymond Lohrer, Ray Nickel, Phillip Renner
TSgt.: Arnold Blanton, Melissa Clark, Christopher Draper, John Fleeger, Jr., Donnie Freels, Jeffrey King, Shawn Ogletree, Joseph Stahl, William Anderson, Willard Brewer, Larry Bussard, Stephen Dyer, Susan Pohlen
SSgt.: Paula Cavins, John Ellington, John Hamilton III, Tammy Leitschuh, Kenneth Lute, Scott Peterson, Jenny Simmons, David Harrison, Brian Pauley, Martin Saldana
SrA: Tracy Crippin, Tony Entler, Cheryl Fookes, Rodney Hook, Scott Johnson, Kellie Kautz, Terry Miller, Matthew Nachtrieb, Douglas Palcic, Mark Thomson, Rebecca Wright, Scott Baker, Craig Bard, Shellie Cassidy, Mark Dobbs, James Glenn, Beth Hallam, Lynn Littlejohn, Mollie Maloney, Timothy McBlane, John Parker, Dayne Peterson, Scott Ramsey, Joseph Riley
A1C: Kimberly Chapman, Giles Cooper, Donald Downing, Anthony Henenkratt, Dawne Lyons, Michael McCoy, Robert Painter, Jonathan Witter, Brenda Roman-Amador, Lisa Saldana, William Wendling, Donald Weer, Natalie Weng
Amn.: Luzia Dotson, Mark Lemperle, Tessa Lutz, Emily Wolfe

**179TH TACTICAL AIRLIFT GROUP
Promotions**

TSgt.: John Campbell, Allen Easter, Denise Studer
SSgt.: Ralph Lemieux
SrA: Ronald Beiwickler, Penny Cowan, Stephanie Huffman, James Johnson, Raymond Robinson
A1C: Christine Brown, David Fidler, Wayne Grimes, David Harris

Amn.: Melissa Dohse, Scott Ruffer, Craig Kuyoth, David Ladd, Denny Lulfs, Tori Brassfield, Frank Kyser, Richard Snyder, Christopher Nunamaker, Becky Merickel, Amy Jo Verkennes, Brian Inkrott, Randy Miller, Rhonda Morris, Karen Mitchell

210TH AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY DETACHMENT (RCAT)**Promotions**

Sp4: Mark Snook
Pvt. 2: Bill Hamilton

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: Sgt. Eddy Blankenship

213TH MAINTENANCE COMPANY (GS)**Promotions**

Sgt.: Louis Dubois, Kim Prentice
Sp4: Ben Mira, Doug Kustra, Chris Webb
PFC: Byron Miller

220TH ENGINEERING INSTALLATION SQUADRON**Promotions**

MSgt.: Kenneth Burghy
SrA: Kirk Colopy, Kevin Rea, Brenda Downes
A1C: Craig Skillings

251ST COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS GROUP**Promotions**

COL: Henry Youd
Capt.: Steven Oswalt
2nd Lt.: Wade Rupper
MSgt.: Bruce Fuller, Phillip Renner
TSgt: Jeffrey King, Arnold Blanton
SSgt.: Laura Saldana
Sgt.: Dawn Massie
SrA: Kristin Stromberg, Kathy Bantz, Tina Atkins, Richard Foreman, Tracy Crippin, Randall Willis
A1C: David Johnson, Necole Potts, Frederick Wynn, Jr., Mindi Courier
Amn.: Luzia Dotson, Brian Kidd, Emily Wolfe

People

323RD MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

Promotions

Sp4: Cindy Arthur, Ken Garrett, Jeff Jones, Sherry Viltrakis, Jenny Gill, Kristin Mohr, Jerry Banks
PFC: Kim Carr
Pvt. 2: Missey Brinneman

324TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

Promotions

SPC: Brian Spackman, John Ice, Troy Cihan, Douglas Harrah, Richard Saxon, Edward Jack, Robert Whetstone, Eric Altobelli, Wilbur Kline
PFC: Michael Kerensky, Richard Howell, William Meardith
Pvt. 2: Douglas Chalker, Adrian Ieraci, Regina Isley, Albert Pacella, Michael Sellers, Charles Burrows, Kelly Norris, Lorena McFarland

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: PSgt. Charles Fender, SFC Thomas Grounds, SFC Edward Swaney, SSgt. Leonard Scott, Sgt. Timothy Browning, Sgt. Brian Feorene

COMPANY C 372ND ENGINEER BATTALION

Promotions

Sp4: Andre Gaccetta, Vincent Miller, Theodore Trapp, Gregory Wolfe
PFC: Rodney Boggs

383RD MEDICAL COMPANY

Promotions

SSgt.: Charles Coy, Bonnie Clark
Sgt.: Gregory Schweppie, Tammy Reardon, Joseph Harris
Sp4: Dorothy List, Sarah Thomas
Cpl.: Robert Dance, Carolyn Smyth
PFC: Douglas Beckmeyer, June Gayle, Tonya Lewis, Herminigildo Lozano, Mary Sander, Scott Stanfill

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: Sgt. Michael Newport, Sgt. Angela Hollingsworth
Army Commendation Medal: SSgt. Lloyd Creeger

385TH MEDICAL COMPANY

Awards

Army Commendation Medal: PSgt. Stephen Lawson, PSgt. Mark Griffin, SSgt. Phillip Wood

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 612TH ENGINEER BATTALION

Promotions

Capt.: Mark Sarka
CSM: John Farrant, Jr.
SSgt.: Frank Corbin, Charles Shuff
Sgt.: Walter Shuman, Donald Skoluda
Sp4.: Charles Bensch, Jr., James Carpenter, Brian Cunningham, Mark Dearing, Kyle Gerhart, Martin Gray, William Marchal, Shawn McClintic, Douglas Siebenaller
PFC: Douglas Deeter, Devon Johnson
Pvt. 2: James Montalvo, Mario Moreno

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: Sp4 Patrick Dick, Sp4 Kyle Gerhart

684TH MEDICAL COMPANY

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: Sgt. Kendra Collura; Sgt. Cecil Crabtree; SFC John Friesinger; Sgt. Randal Gunther; Sgt. James Jackson; SSG Michael Maughan; and PFC Dorothy Wiegleb

1487TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (-)

Promotions

Sgt.: Richard Fish, Dennis Gitz, Robert Allison, Dale Hessman
Sp4: Margo Bolinger, Brian Lohrey, Brian Watt
PFC: Anthony Smith, Julie Tulich
Pvt. 2: Hans Koenig

2007TH MEDICAL DETACHMENT

Awards

Army Achievement Medal: Sgt. Robert Feasel

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 73rd Infantry Brigade

Promotions

Sgt: Gary Campbell, James Skipper, Rory Marshall, James Love, Thomas Newkirk. Sp4: Alan Doerfler, Steven Wilson, James Siders, David Herriott, David Vaughan Jr, Louis Byers, Jeffrey Gohring, Calisto Atriano.

PFC: Alex Nguyen, Larry Helmick, Mark Welling, John Woodruff, Tim Perry, Chris Ault.

Pvt.: Edward Newberry.

Awards

Ohio Faithful Service Medal: SSgt. David Smith

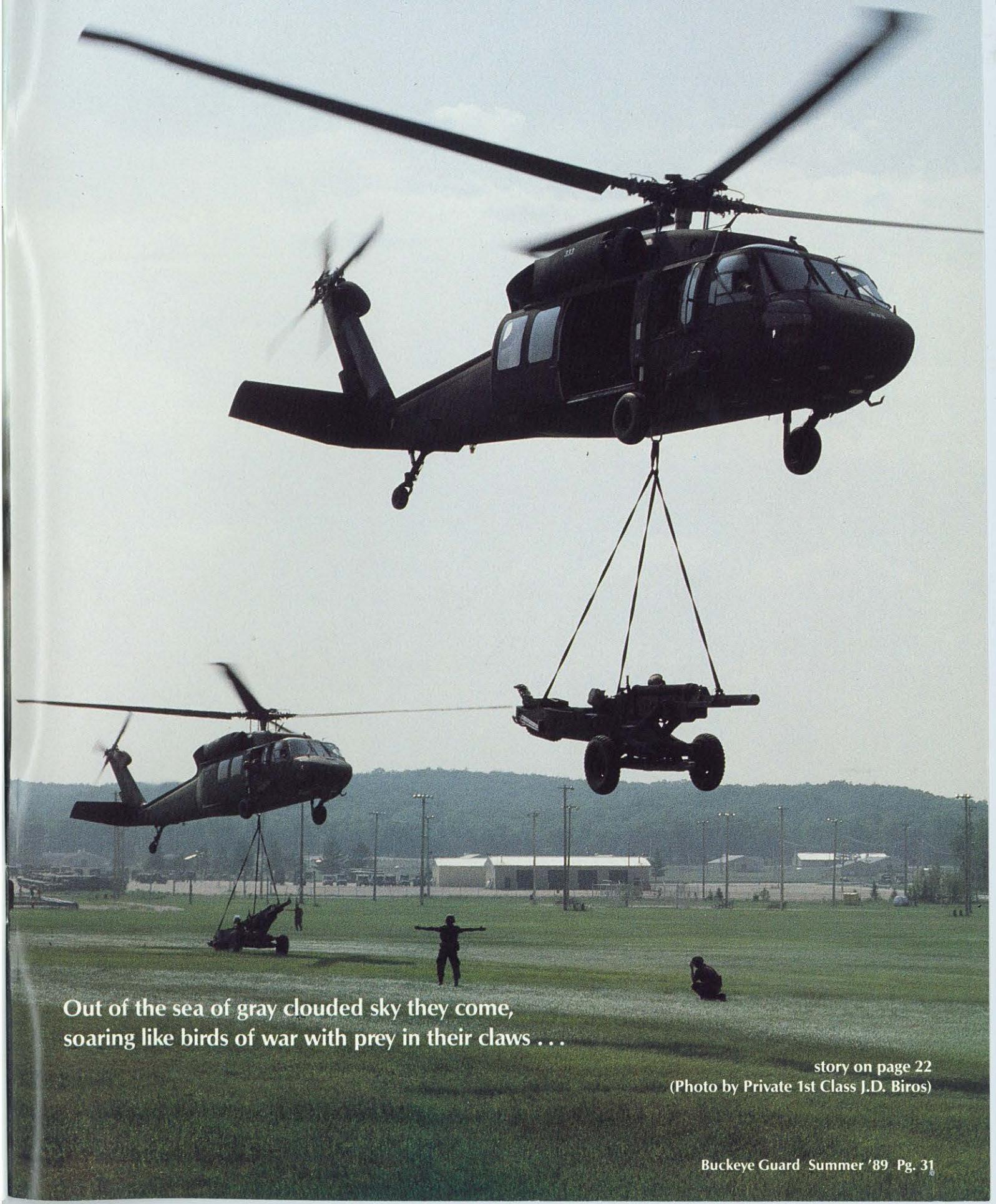
Ohio Commendation Medal: Sp4 Daniel Page, Sp4 Steven Whittington, Sp4 William Bibb.

Army Achievement Medal: Sgt. Danny Rowlee.

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**Out of the sea of gray clouded sky they come,
soaring like birds of war with prey in their claws . . .**

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(Photo by Private 1st Class J.D. Biros)



... after a long day ...

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