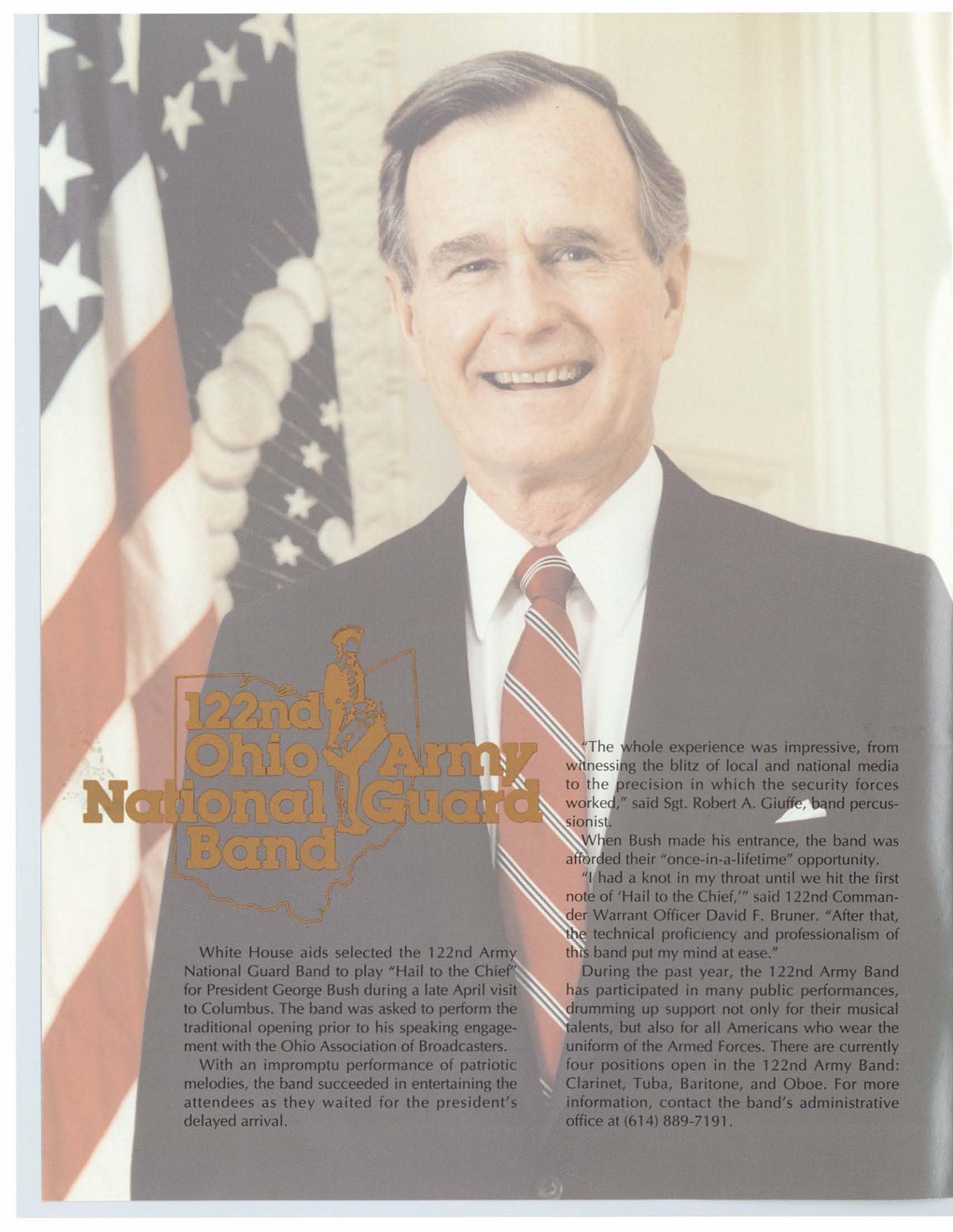


Buckeye GUARD

Summer 1992

*Powell visits 416th Engineers
at Camp Buckeye, Jamaica*





**122nd
Ohio Army
National Guard
Band**

White House aids selected the 122nd Army National Guard Band to play "Hail to the Chief" for President George Bush during a late April visit to Columbus. The band was asked to perform the traditional opening prior to his speaking engagement with the Ohio Association of Broadcasters.

With an impromptu performance of patriotic melodies, the band succeeded in entertaining the attendees as they waited for the president's delayed arrival.

"The whole experience was impressive, from witnessing the blitz of local and national media to the precision in which the security forces worked," said Sgt. Robert A. Giuffe, band percussionist.

When Bush made his entrance, the band was afforded their "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity.

"I had a knot in my throat until we hit the first note of 'Hail to the Chief,'" said 122nd Commander Warrant Officer David F. Bruner. "After that, the technical proficiency and professionalism of this band put my mind at ease."

During the past year, the 122nd Army Band has participated in many public performances, drumming up support not only for their musical talents, but also for all Americans who wear the uniform of the Armed Forces. There are currently four positions open in the 122nd Army Band: Clarinet, Tuba, Baritone, and Oboe. For more information, contact the band's administrative office at (614) 889-7191.

Contents

Ohio Army National Guard Reorganizes	4
Positioning for the 21st Century	
Tomorrow's Guard	10
Focus on Physical Fitness	
Benefits in Education	12
Tuition Grant, Student Loan Repayment, and more	
Overseas Deployment Training	14
A valuable part of "Guard Experience"	
416th Engineers Journey to Jamaica	16
Annual Training 1992	
Ohio Air Guard in Honduras	18
Training in the tropics	
AmeriFlora '92	20
Ohio hosts "Celebration of Discovery"	
Guarding the Environment	22
Reduce, Reuse and Recycle	
What's News in State Programs	24
Family Assistance, Shooters Corner	
Desert Storm Newsbriefs	26
Gulf veterans' concerns, Boy's Club offer	



ENRETE '92: The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Colin Powell, visits 416th Engineers in Jamaica. (Photo by Sgt. First Class Larry Stutts)



The 122nd Army National Guard Band performed for Commander-in-Chief during a recent Ohio visit.



Please spend a few minutes filling out the Buckeye Guard Readership Survey. Your opinion matters.



Bob Hope and Loretta Swit entertain Ohio troops at AmeriFlora '92. (Photo by Spec. Cameron Williams)

The Buckeye Guard staff always welcomes articles that cover interesting Guard personalities and unique unit training. Deadlines for Buckeye Guard submissions are:

Winter:	October 15
Spring:	January 15
Summer:	April 15
Fall:	July 15

Vol. 16, No. 2

Buckeye GUARD

Buckeye Guard is published quarterly by the Public Affairs Office, Ohio Adjutant General's Department, 2825 W. Granville Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43235-2712; (614) 889-7000. It is an unofficial, offset publication as authorized under the provisions of AR 360-81. The views and opinions expressed in **Buckeye Guard** are not necessarily those of the Department of the Army or the Adjutant General of Ohio. **Buckeye Guard** is distributed free to members of the Ohio Army and Air National Guard and to other interested persons at their request. Circulation 24,000.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

State Commander-In-Chief
Gov. George V. Voinovich

Asst. AG, Army
Brig. Gen. John S. Martin

Asst. AG, Air
Brig. Gen. Gordon M. Campbell

PUBLICATION STAFF

Public Affairs Officer
Capt. James T. Boling

Contributors:
Air National Guard Photojournalists
Unit Public Affairs Representatives

Adjutant General
Maj. Gen. Richard C. Alexander

Command Sergeant Major
State CSM Richard L. Wehling

Senior Enlisted Advisor-Air
Chief Master Sgt. Earl Lutz

Editor
Sgt. Diane L. Farrow

196th PAD Photojournalists
HQ STARC IO Photojournalists.



Brig. Gen. J. Steve Martin
Assistant Adjutant General
Ohio Army National Guard

As I stated in the Spring issue of the *Buckeye Guard*, my goal was to complete the staff planning necessary to determine how best to array the post-FY93 force structure across Ohio by May 1992.

That goal was met.

Now it is extremely important that each and every soldier in the Ohio Army National Guard (OHARNG) be informed of the plan. Hence, this is my report to you on how and why the post-FY93 force structure will be stationed should Department of the Army and National Guard Bureau force structure reductions be executed.

First, let me review the charter and parameters given to the committee that developed the force structure stationing plan. The end goal was to develop a plan that would best position the new force structure in such a manner that it can be successfully supported, sustained, and trained for the next twenty-five years.

The plan had to station units in a manner to provide the best opportunity to maximize utilization of existing MOS-trained soldiers and available training areas.

Additionally, the plan had to improve the OHARNG's ability to recruit by dispersing MOS densities more evenly throughout Ohio. Inherent in this task was the need to place units in a manner that would enhance recruiting women soldiers.

Another key factor was the requirement to enhance the ability to support

Positioning for the 21st Century

state missions by dispersing key unit types throughout the state.

Finally, the plan needed to array mechanized forces as close to out-of-state training areas as is feasible, and to facilitate combined arms training opportunities throughout the state.



Photo by Sr. Airman Debbie Zentmeyer

During a May conference, Brig. Gen. Steve Martin explains the reorganization of the Ohio Army National Guard.

The force structure array plan as developed by the committee succeeded in every area.

For example, a military police unit will be stationed in southwest Ohio for the first time in modern history. Medical units will be stationed so as to provide for medical exam stations in northeast, northwest, central, and southwest Ohio. Mechanized forces will be placed in southwest, northwest, central, north, and northeast Ohio.

As a further example, a prospective recruit in the Cincinnati area will be able to choose between armor, mechanized infantry, medical, military

police, engineer, and logistical support units which will all be within a comfortable commuting distance.

Also, it will be possible for the senior maneuver commander in the Lima area to plan and execute combined arms training involving armor, mechanized infantry, artillery, and engineer units, all of which are stationed in that part of the state.

A brief synopsis of the post-FY93 force structure array plan follows:

***ARMOR BRIGADE, 28TH DIVISION**

Two Armor Battalions, M1 equipped. One battalion in northeast Ohio headquartered in Stow. One battalion in southwest Ohio headquartered in Cincinnati.

One Mechanized Infantry Battalion, M113 equipped, headquartered in Lima. Companies arrayed into the northeast, northwest, and southwest.

One Self-Propelled Artillery Battalion, M109 equipped. Three firing batteries arrayed in the upper half of the state.

Two Armored Cavalry ground troops headquartered in Kettering. One troop in Cincinnati, one in Hamilton.

***ENGINEER FORCES**

Engineer Brigade headquartered in Columbus. Group headquarters in Hamilton and Walbridge.

One Mechanized Engineer Battalion headquartered in Walbridge. Companies arrayed into the north and northwest.

One Mechanized Engineer Battalion headquartered in Brookpark. Companies arrayed into the north and northeast.

One Wheeled Engineer Battalion headquartered in Portsmouth. Companies arrayed into the south and southwest. One company in Columbus.

***COMBAT SUPPORT/COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT**

One Support Group headquartered in Kettering.

One Forward Support Battalion (FSB) headquartered in Springfield.

One Supply and Service Battalion headquartered in Toledo.

One Transportation Company in the southwest, headquartered in Eaton with a Detachment located in Piqua.

One Transportation Company in central and northeast Ohio, headquartered in Dover with a Detachment located in Mansfield.

One Divisional Transportation Section in the east, headquartered in Steubenville.

One Military Police Company in the east, headquartered in Youngstown.

One Military Police Company in the northwest, headquartered in Toledo.

One Military Police Company in the southwest, headquartered in Middletown.

One Divisional Military Police Platoon in Columbus.

One Medical Company in the southwest, headquartered in Cincinnati.

One Medical Company in the northeast, headquartered in Youngstown.

One Medical Company in the northwest, headquartered in Tiffin.

One MASH in Toledo, with a Detachment in Greensburg.

One Medical Company in Columbus out of the FSB.

One Maintenance Company in the north, headquartered in Camp Perry

with a Detachment in Newark.

One Maintenance Company in Central Ohio, headquartered in Newark with a Detachment in Coshocton.

Three Maintenance Elements out of the FSB, one in Springfield, one in Mt. Vernon and one in Greensburg.

One Field Service Company in Akron.

One Water Purification Detachment in Kettering.

"I invite you to join me in making the OHARNG second to none."

On the following pages, Figures 1 and 2 explain the reorganization in further detail.

Figure 1 depicts OHARNG units scheduled for deactivation during FY92 and FY93.

Figure 2 depicts OHARNG units and their stationing location for FY93 and beyond. Those units that are part of the new Armor Brigade, or the Division Slice that will support that Brigade in Ohio, are identified by "28th DIV" following the unit's identification.

At this time it appears that all aviation units will be located at Rickenbacker Airport. However, several initiatives in the aviation arena are currently being explored, and no final decisions have been made. Should sufficient new aviation units be assigned to the OHARNG, the Greensburg facility will remain open. This

issue remains unresolved as of this date.

Several notes of caution must be observed. First, additional Ohio units remain on the National Guard Bureau list of units that potentially will be inactivated in the FY94, and later, time frame. These include the HHC, 112th Medical Brigade; 145th MASH Hospital; HHC, 737th Maintenance Battalion; 214th Maintenance Company; and the 1486th Transportation Company.

At this time, it would be only speculative to comment on the reliability of this information. Much may change between today and the fall of 1994.

The second note of caution is that any part or all of the aforementioned plan could change by congressional mandate. Should the Congress decide this fall to place into law a bottom limit on the size of the Army National Guard that is higher than that desired by the Department of the Army, then the National Guard Bureau will find it necessary to not inactivate some units currently shown on the inactivation list.

In summary, the OHARNG force structure array plan I have described for you might well change in the next year. If that is the case, I will inform you of that change promptly.

Let me take this opportunity to state again that the best qualified, highest level performers will do well in tomorrow's OHARNG. To fit in tomorrow's OHARNG, you must be MOS qualified, and you must have completed the appropriate level of required military education (OBC, OAC, NCOES, etc.). I highly recommend that you immediately begin to ensure that you have accomplished all that you can to make yourself highly qualified and competitive.

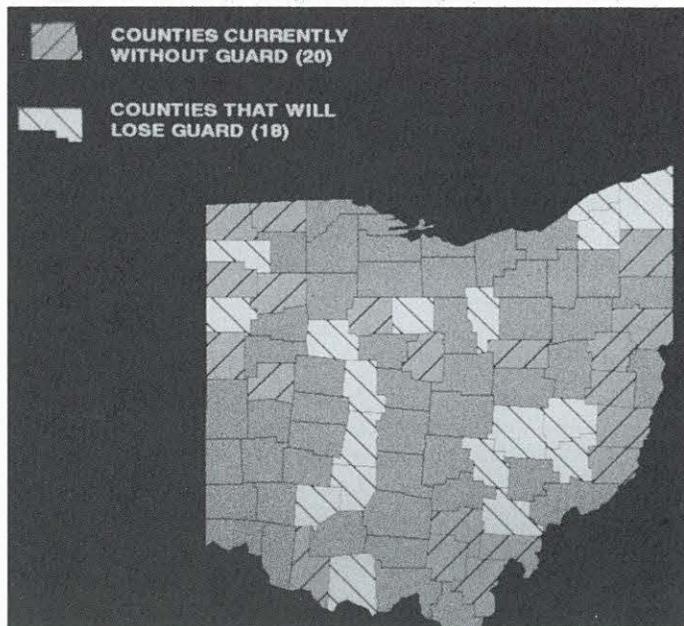
I look forward to the post-FY93 OHARNG force structure described herein. I see a better OHARNG ahead. I invite you to join me in making the OHARNG second to none. □

Figure 1 — OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD UNITS SCHEDULED FOR INACTIVATION

UNIT	ARMORY	EFFECTIVE DATE	UNIT	ARMORY	EFFECTIVE DATE
HHC (-), 1/166TH INF BN	COLUMBUS (HAUBRICH)	1 SEP 92	107TH CHEM CO	STOW	1 SEP 93
DET 1, HHC, 1/166TH INF BN	LONDON	1 SEP 92	26TH ENGR CO	CLEVELAND	1 SEP 93
CO A (-), 1/166TH INF BN	WASHINGTON CH	1 SEP 92	HHC (-), 73D INF BDE	COLUMBUS (HAUBRICH)	1 SEP 93
DET 1, CO A, 1/166TH INF BN	XENIA	1 SEP 92	DET 1, HC, 73D INF BDE	KETTERING	1 SEP 93
CO B (-), 1/166TH INF BN	DELAWARE	1 SEP 92	TRP A, 237TH CAV	CINCINNATI (READING)	1 SEP 93
DET 1, CO B, 1/166TH INF BN	MARYSVILLE	1 SEP 92	299TH SIG DET	KETTERING	1 SEP 93
CO C (-), 1/166TH INF BN	BELLEFONTAINE	1 SEP 92	837TH ENGR CO	ST. MARYS	1 SEP 93
DET 1, CO C, 1/166TH INF BN	URBANA	1 SEP 92	HHC, 1/147TH INF BN	CINCINNATI (SHADYBROOK)	1 SEP 93
CO D, 1/166TH INF BN	LONDON	1 SEP 92	CO A, 1/147TH INF BN	CINCINNATI (SHADYBROOK)	1 SEP 93
HHT, 107TH ARMD CAV REGT	CLEVELAND	1 SEP 93	CO B, 1/147TH INF BN	HAMILTON	1 SEP 93
HHT, 2/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	CO C (-), 1/147TH INF BN	HILLSBORO	1 SEP 93
TRP E, 2/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	DET 1, CO C, 1/147TH INF BN	BLANCHESTER	1 SEP 93
TRP F, 2/107TH ARMD CAV	MASSILLON	1 SEP 93	CO D, 1/147TH INF BN	CINCINNATI (SHADYBROOK)	1 SEP 93
TRP G, 2/107TH ARMD CAV	CLEVELAND	1 SEP 93	HHC (-), 1/148TH INF BN	LIMA	1 SEP 93
CO H, 2/107TH ARMD CAV	BARBERTON	1 SEP 93	DET 1, HHC, 1/148TH INF BN	FINDLAY	1 SEP 93
HOW BTRY, 2/107TH ARMD CAV	ALLIANCE	1 SEP 93	CO A (-), 1/148TH INF BN	LIMA	1 SEP 93
HHT, 3/107TH ARMD CAV	STOW	1 SEP 93	DET 1, CO A, 1/148TH INF BN	KENTON	1 SEP 93
TRP I, 3/107TH ARMD CAV	STOW	1 SEP 93	CO B (-), 1/148TH INF BN	NAPOLEON	1 SEP 93
TRP K, 3/107TH ARMD CAV	ASHTABULA	1 SEP 93	DET 1, CO B, 1/148TH INF BN	BOWLING GREEN	1 SEP 93
TRP L, 3/107TH ARMD CAV	PAINESVILLE	1 SEP 93	CO C (-), 1/148TH INF BN	VAN WERT	1 SEP 93
CO M, 3/107TH ARMD CAV	RAVENNA	1 SEP 93	DET 1, CO C, 1/148TH INF BN	DEFIANCE	1 SEP 93
HOW BTRY, 3/107TH ARMD CAV	STOW	1 SEP 93	CO D, 1/148TH INF BN	FINDLAY	1 SEP 93
HHT (-), 4/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	HHS, 1/136TH FA BN	COLUMBUS (HOWEY)	1 SEP 93
DET 1, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	RICKENBACKER	1 SEP 93	BTRY A, 1/136TH FA BN	MARION	1 SEP 93
CO N (-), 4/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	BTRY B, 1/136TH FA BN	BUCYRUS	1 SEP 93
DET 1, CO N, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	RICKENBACKER	1 SEP 93	BTRY C, 1/136TH FA BN	PIQUA	1 SEP 93
TRP O, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	HHC (-), 237TH SPT BN	SPRINGFIELD	1 SEP 93
TRP P, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	DET 1, HHC, 237TH SPT BN	COLUMBUS (BEIGHTLER)	1 SEP 93
TRP Q, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	CO A (S&T), 237TH SPT BN	OXFORD	1 SEP 93
TRP R, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	RICKENBACKER	1 SEP 93	CO B (MAINT) (-), 237TH SPT BN	MT VERNON	1 SEP 93
TRP S, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	RICKENBACKER	1 SEP 93	DET 1, CO B, 237TH SPT BN	SPRINGFIELD	1 SEP 93
CO T (-), 4/107TH ARMD CAV	RICKENBACKER	1 SEP 93	CO C (MED), 237TH SPT BN	COLUMBUS (BEIGHTLER)	1 SEP 93
DET 1, CO T, 4/107TH ARMD CAV	GREENSBURG	1 SEP 93	HHC, 372D ENGR BN	KETTERING	1 SEP 93
HHT, SPT SQDN, 107TH ARMD CAV	MEDINA	1 SEP 93	CO A, 372D ENGR BN	KETTERING (DESC)	1 SEP 93
S&T TRP (-), SPT SQDN, 107TH ARMD CAV	MEDINA	1 SEP 93	CO B, 372D ENGR BN	GREENVILLE	1 SEP 93
DET 1, S&T TRP, SPT SQDN, 107TH ARMD CAV	YOUNGSTOWN	1 SEP 93	CO C, 372D ENGR BN	LEBANON	1 SEP 93
MAINT TRP (-), SPT SQDN, 107TH ARMD CAV	WARREN	1 SEP 93	CO D, 372D ENGR BN	MIDDLETOWN	1 SEP 93
DET 1, MAINT TRP, SPT SQDN, 107TH ARMD CAV	CHAGRIN FALLS	1 SEP 93	HHD, 112TH TRANS BN	MIDDLETOWN	1 SEP 93
MED CO, SPT SQDN, 107TH ARMD CAV	CLEVELAND	1 SEP 93	323D MP CO	TOLEDO	1 SEP 93
			1484TH TRANS CO (-)	CAMBRIDGE	1 SEP 93
			DET 1, 1484TH TRANS CO	STEUBENVILLE	1 SEP 93
			2007TH DENTAL DET	PORT CLINTON	1 SEP 93

Figure 2 — PROJECTED STATIONING OF OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD UNITS

ARMORY	UNIT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ARMORY	UNIT	EFFECTIVE DATE
AKRON HAWKINS	637TH SERVICE CO	NA	COLUMBUS-HAUBRICH	HQ, 1/136TH FA BN, [155 (SP)], 28TH DIV	1 OCT 92
ALLIANCE	BTRY A, 136TH FA BN, [155 (SP)], 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93		DET 1, MANPADAD BTRY, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
BARBERTON	CO B, 1/166TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93		MP PLATOON (DIV), 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
BELLEFONTAINE	CO B (-), 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93		Q-36 RADAR SEC, TARGET ACQ BATT, DIV ARTY, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
BOWLING GREEN	DET 1, CO C, 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93		METEOROLOGICAL TEAM, 1/136TH FA BN, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
BROOKPARK	HHC, 112TH ENGR BN (MECH)	NA	COLUMBUS-WESTERVILLE	MED CO, FORWARD SPT BN, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
	EN CO, 112TH ENGR BN (MECH)	NA	COSHOCTON	DET 1, 211 MAINT CO	1 SEP 94
CAMP PERRY	186TH ENGR DET (UTIL)	1 SEP 93	DELAWARE	DET 1, CO B, 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
	213TH MAINT CO (-)	NA	DOVER	1485TH TRANS CO (-)	1 SEP 92
CAMP PERRY/TOLEDO	145 MASH (-)	NA	EATON	1487TH TRANS CO (-), DET 1	NA
CHILLICOTHE	EN CO, 216TH ENGINEER BN	NA	FELICITY	1193D PANEL BRIDGE	2 SEP 93
COLUMBUS-ANNEX	HQ, TROOP COMMAND (DET 1 STARC)	NA	FINDLAY	DET 1, HHC, 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
	122D ARMY BAND	NA	FREMONT	EN CO, 612TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	NA
	54TH RAOC	NA	GREEN ROAD-WARRENSVILLE	CO C, 1/166TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
	196 PUBLIC AFFAIRS DET	NA	HTS	DIVISIONAL ENGR CO, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
	237TH PERSONNEL SERVICE CO	NA		MANPAD BTRY (-), 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
	337TH PERSONNEL SERVICE CO	NA	GREENSBURG	HQ, 73D ARM BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
COLUMBUS-BEIGHTLER	HHD, 112TH MEDICAL BRIGADE	NA		CO D, 1/147TH INF (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
	74TH MOVEMENT CONTROL CENTER	NA		ELMNT OF CO, 237TH FWD SPT BN, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
	HHC STARC	NA		DET OF 145 MASH	1 SEP 93
COLUMBUS-BUSH	HQ, 16TH ENGINEER BRIGADE	NA	GREENVILLE	CO C, 1/147TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
	EN CO, 216TH ENGINEER BN	1 JAN 93	HAMILTON	CAV TROOP, 2/107TH DIV	1 SEP 93
				CAV SQDN, 38TH INF DIV	1 SEP 93
				HQ, 134TH ENGINEER GROUP	NA
			HILLSBORO	CO 1 (-), 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
			IRONTON	HHC, DET 216TH ENGINEER BN	NA
			KETTERING	FWD SIGNAL PLATOON, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
				EN CO, 216TH ENGINEER BN	1 SEP 93
				HHC, 371ST SUPPORT GROUP	NA
				641ST QM DET (WATER)	1 AUG 92
			KETTERING (DESC)	HHT, 2/107TH DIV CAV SQDN, 38TH INF DIV	1 SEP 93
			LEBANON	CO B, 1/147TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93



GUARD PRESENCE

(continued)

(Figure 2 continued)

ARMORY	UNIT	EFFECTIVE DATE	ARMORY	UNIT	EFFECTIVE DATE
LIMA	CO A, 1/147TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93	SPRINGFIELD	HHD, 237TH FWD SPT BN, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
	HHC (-), 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93		PROPERTY BOOK SECTION, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
LOGAN	DET EN CO, 216TH ENGINEER BN	NA	ST MARYS	EN CO, 612TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	1 SEP 93
LORAIN	EN CO, 112TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	NA	STEUBENVILLE	TRANSPORTATION PLATOON, MAIN SPT BN, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
MANSFIELD	DET, 1485TH TRANS CO	1 SEP 92	STOW	HHC, 1/166TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
MARIETTA	STATE HISTORIAN	1 SEP 92		CO D, 1/166TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
MARION	BTRY C, 1/136 FA BN, [155 (SP)], 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93		CHEM PLATOON/SMOKE SCTN, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93
MCCONNELSVILLE	2/174TH HAWK BN	NA	TARLTON	EN CO (-), 216TH ENGINEER BN	NA
MEDINA	SVC BTRY, 1/136TH FA BN, [155 (SP)], 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93	TIFFIN	385TH MEDICAL COMPANY	NA
MIDDLETOWN	324TH MP CO	1 SEP 93	TOLEDO-SECOR	135TH MP CO	1 SEP 93
MT VERNON	ELMNT OF MAINT CO, 237TH FWD SPT BN, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93		HHD, 137TH S&S BN	NA
NAPOLEON	CO C (-), 1/148TH INF BN (M), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93	URBANA	CO E (ANTI-ARMOR), 1/148TH INF BN (MECH), 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
NEWARK	211TH MAINT CO (-)	1 SEP 94	WALBRIDGE	HQ, 416TH ENGINEER GP	NA
	DET OF 213TH MAINT CO	NA		HQ, 612TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	NA
NORWALK	EN CO (-), 612TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	1 SEP 93		EN CO, 612TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	NA
OXFORD	SUPPLY CO, 237TH FWD SPT BN, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93	WILLOUGHBY	372D MAINT	NA
PIQUA	BTRY B, 1/136TH FA BN, [155 (SP)], 28TH DIV	1 SEP 93	WOOSTER	EN CO, 112TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	NA
	DET, 1487TH TRANS CO	NA	XENIA	DET 1, CO A, 1/148TH INF BN (MECH) 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93
PORTSMOUTH	HHC (-), 216TH ENGINEER BN	NA	YOUNGSTOWN	EN CO, 112TH ENGINEER BN (MECH)	NA
RICKENBACKER	AIR CAV TRP, 2/107 DIV CAV SQDN, 38TH DIV	1 SEP 93		383D MEDICAL COMPANY	1 SEP 93
	AIR CAV TRP, 2/107 DIV CAV SQDN, 38TH DIV	1 SEP 93		838TH MP COMPANY	NA
	OHIO MILITARY ACADEMY	NA			
	1/137TH AVN BN (AVIM)	NA			
	2/137TH AVN BN	NA			
RAVENNA	CO A, 1/166TH TANK BN, 73D BDE, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93			
READING ROAD	CAV TRP, 2/107 DIV CAV SQDN, 38TH INF DIV	1 SEP 93			
	HHD, 512TH ENGINEER BN	NA			
	684TH MEDICAL CO	1 SEP 93			
SANDUSKY	DET 1, ENGINEER CO, 612TH BN (M)	1 SEP 93			
SHADYBROOK	HHC, 1/147TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93			
	CO D, 1/147TH TANK BN, 28TH DIV	2 SEP 93			
SHREVE	5694 ENGINEER DET	NA			

OFFICER ACTION — OHIO REORGANIZATION

During the restructuring of the Ohio Army National Guard, officers whose duty positions are deleted or changed during reorganization, may be carried without branch transfer or redesignation of primary specialty in a duty position corresponding to their grades for up to 12 months.

Immediately upon reassignment, an educational stipulation will be imposed on cases which require a branch transfer. Transferring officers have one year from the time of reorganization to complete this education prior to Federal Reorganization Board action. Action to become qualified in the new specialty may begin prior to the reorganization.

For further information, review Paragraph 6-9, National Guard Regulation 600-100, or contact Mr. Stone with the Military Personnel Management Office, Officer Personnel Section, at commercial (614) 889-7042 or autovon 273-7042.

TRAIN-UP OF THE HEAVY FORCE: A CONCEPT

In October 1992, the flags of the new Armored Brigade will be unfurled. What approach should be taken in retraining the force that will fill this unit?

The answer is twofold.

First, focus on conversion of the high-density MOSs peculiar to an Armored Brigade, including the M1 Crewmen (19K), followed by Maintenance Personnel (63E, 63T, 63H), and finally Cavalry Scout (19D).

Secondly, initiate a viable New Equipment Training (NET) program for those MOSs that remain, but which also require retraining on armored equipment. The major pieces of equipment selected for conversion training will be the M113 Armored Personnel Carrier, the M106 Mortar Carrier, M109 155mm SP Howitzer and HEMTTs (refueler, wrecker and cargo versions).

The goal for this train-up will be to have the majority of the Brigade's personnel MOSQ and familiar with their assigned equipment by October 1994.

This will be a major undertaking and will require detailed coordination between the State Staff, and the staffs of the 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, 73rd (Separate) Infantry Brigade, Troop Command and the newly fielded Brigade.

The 107th ACR will play a key role in this training strategy by serving as the cadre for the 19K and 19D MOS qualification and by coordinating the NET for the M113, M106 and M109. The HEMTT training is Troop Command's

responsibility. The 73rd SIB will provide critical support in identifying students and providing instructors in Mortars and Field Artillery.

MOS training for the 19Ks and 19Ds will begin with the IDT Phase starting in January 1993. It will be followed with an AT Phase in August 1993 which will complete the base qualification. The 19Ks will then be scheduled for crew tactical training at Gowan Field; half the personnel in October 1993 and half in January 1994.

Due to the complexity of the training required to qualify the 63-series MOSs, most personnel will be required to go to Regional Training Sites for qualification. Maintenance personnel training must be stressed to ensure that adequate numbers of trained maintenance personnel are available when the new armored vehicles are fielded.

All New Equipment Training will be conducted during a single AT periods in June 1993.

It is imperative to the success of this program that students are identified prior to October 1st, 1992. The student load will come primarily from soldiers of the 73rd SIB and the 372nd Engineer Battalion. These soldiers will form the nucleus of the Armor, Mechanized Infantry and Field Artillery units of the new Brigade in western Ohio.

The training philosophy for Ohio's Armored Brigade must be "CARPE DIEM" (Seize the day). We must start today to have a functional Brigade in 1994.

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD CAREER INTEREST FORM

Army Guardmembers who are interested in crosstraining or transferring current skills to units expected to be retained in the post-1993 Ohio Army National Guard are encouraged to complete the following information.

(PLEASE PRINT)

Name (Last, First, MI) _____

Rank _____

SSAN _____

Current Unit _____

Current MOS _____

Status (Mil Mbr/AGR/Tech) _____

I want to receive information on how to become a _____ in the _____
located in _____ (specialty/MOS) (New or existing unit)
(City/town)

My unit is currently on the list for deactivation: YES/NO

HOME ADDRESS: _____
(Street/city/state/zip)

HOME PHONE: _____ BUSINESS PHONE: _____

COMPLETE FORM, DETACH AND MAIL TO:

Adjutant General of Ohio
ATTN: AGOH-MPMO (LTC Hanback)
2825 W. Granville Rd.
Columbus, Ohio
43235-2712

Tomorrow's Guard

FOCUS: Physical Fitness



by Staff Sgt. Terri Alston
220th Engineering Installation
Squadron

Guardmembers will have to beef-up their exercise habits in order to stay in compliance with new weight and fitness regulations put out by both Army and Air Force.

With the upcoming reductions to the Reserve Component, these regulations will not be taken lightly.

The Army has toughened its physical fitness standards and weight control program to ensure that the best soldiers are retained.

Promotions are being denied to individuals who can't pass the Army Physical Fitness Test (AFPT), and two consecutive failures will be cause for discharge.

Similarly, stricter enforcement of the weight control program will be observed.

Soldiers not in compliance with body-fat standards will be denied enrollment to any professional military school; a mandatory bar to reenlistment or separation proceedings will be initiated for any soldier who does not make satisfactory progress in the weight program after six months; and soldiers who regress within 12 months after removal from the program will be subjected to mandatory separation processing if no medical disease underlies the weight condition.

"Physical readiness is the cornerstone of combat readiness," said a release from the National Guard Bureau. "Soldiers who are not fit will not fight well on the battlefield."

The Air Force has changed to a body fat measurement (BFM) instead of using scales. Weigh-ins will no longer be done on an annual basis, but conducted randomly throughout the year.

Old practices of starving and spending hours in the sauna to shed those extra pounds before a weigh-in will no longer work. Random selections are done with no warning. And losing water weight will not change the body fat measurement.

Air Force members with unacceptable body fat measurements will be placed on the Weight Management Program.

According to Air Force Regulation (AFR) 35-11, "Being overfat can negatively affect flexibility, mobility, and endurance, and thereby impact Air Force readiness...maintaining one's body fat standards is a vital part of our peacetime preparation for combat readiness."

Men's BFM is taken around the neck and abdominal section. Women are measured around the neck, waist, and hip. AFR 35-11 takes this measurement and compares it to a height chart to determine the BFM.

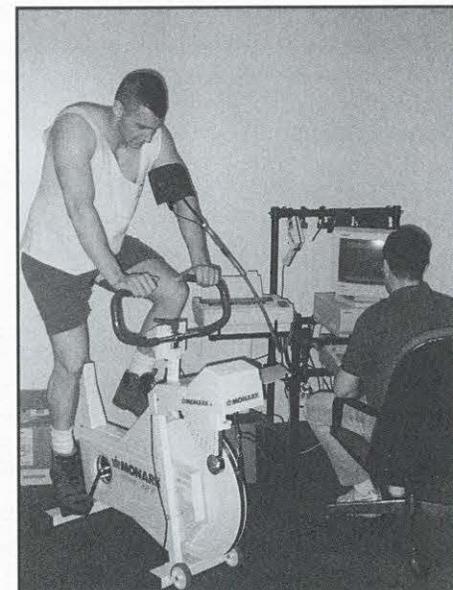
The National Guard has always stressed the importance of physical fitness, but with these new regulations, it will be tougher for members to try to "get by" the system. □

Microfit

Do you know how fit you are? Would you like to know your percentage of body fat? How about how healthy your cardiovascular system is when put under an aerobic test?

The gym at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base has a computer set-up, called Microfit, that can give all this information and more.

With new weight and fitness regulations in effect for guardmembers, this test can be very beneficial. It gives current physical fitness evaluations and provides information and guidance on how to improve each individual's fitness level.



Airman First Class Steve Tenney, 121st Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, cycles his way through the aerobic portion of the Microfit Fitness Profile with Lance McCartney monitoring his progress.

"The Microfit is one of the most technologically advanced fitness tests around," said Lance McCartney, recreation director for the gym. "Guardmembers should definitely take advantage of this opportunity."

The Fitness Profile is given every Monday, Wednesday and Friday by appointment only. It is free of charge to Guard and Reservists, and a \$15.00 charge for dependents.

"This is the same fitness test given by health clubs which can cost up to \$200.00," said Danny Wells, RANGB assistant recreation director.

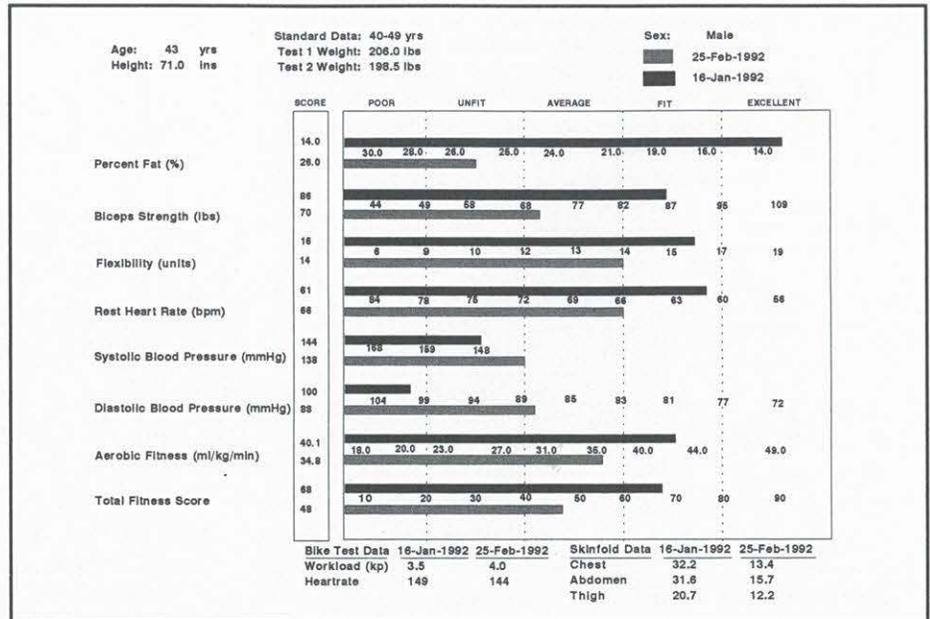
The test takes about an hour to complete. Results are totally confidential and maintained to indicate progress from one test to the next. Individuals are authorized 12 tests annually.

The first portion of the Fitness Profile involves health and life-style questions, and a resting heart rate and blood pressure is taken. Examples of questions asked are: "How often do you wear your seat belt?" and "How much alcohol do you consume in a week?"

After this series of questions, a printout will give a "Health Risk Appraisal." This appraisal lists factors which can lower the risk of serious injury and preventable health problems.

During the next part of the Fitness Profile, member's weight and body fat measurement will be taken. Then a flexibility and strength test is given.

The last step of the exam is the aerobic/cardiovascular test. The test is conducted on a exercise bike. A certain speed must be maintained, and the administrator of the Fitness Profile will periodically take blood pressure readings and increase the resistance of the bike until a target heart rate is achieved. After the target heart rate is maintained for a few minutes, the administrator will lessen the resistance for a gradual cool-down and a final blood pressure reading.



The physical part of the profile is done. The computer will print out a Fitness Profile chart which rates the individual as poor, unfit, average, fit, or excellent in the following areas: body fat, biceps strength, flexibility, resting heart rate, systolic blood pressure, diastolic blood pressure, and aerobic fitness. Then it will rate a Total Fitness Score.

The Total Fitness Score is a composite of the test results. If desired, the computer will print out an individualized exercise plan to help improve fitness in the rated areas. The chart shown above confirms the improvement experienced by one guardmember who followed the fitness program recommended by the Microfit program.

Available since mid-January, the Microfit program has tested more than 250 individuals; out of those who returned for re-testing, all showed significant improvement as a result of the fitness programs tailored for them.

Ultimately, guardmembers are responsible for maintaining their own individual fitness programs. Alternatives vary from following the tailored Microfit program, to creating a personal fitness regiment at home, to utilizing military facilities or local health clubs.

Physical fitness has always been important for your personal well-being, and it is fast becoming a priority for your future with the Ohio National Guard.

To make appointments for the Microfit test, call the RANGB Gym at commercial (614) 492-4159 or auto-voicemail 950-4159. □

Bally's

Membership Discount

The Ohio National Guard is committed to health and fitness. As part of this commitment, it has teamed up with Bally Scandinavian to offer you and your immediate family membership discounts at all of their 25 Ohio locations.

Guardmembers and their families will receive a minimum 15 percent discount by presenting a military ID. For guardmembers who enroll in groups of five or more, a 25 percent or higher discount is available.

At your next drill, seek out others who may be interested, and arrange for a membership orientation and a free one-week pass by calling 1-800-247-2494, extension 0138. □

Editors Note: The Buckeye Guard staff is establishing a "Benefits" column. This column will provide benefit information in each of the quarterly issues, rather than in the traditional special edition each year. Since education is rapidly becoming a focal point for advancement and retention in the National Guard, related benefits are the topic of this first column.

WHAT ARE THE EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS AVAILABLE?

- * **Chapter 106, Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB).** To be eligible, a service member (commissioned, warrant or enlisted) must have a high school diploma or GED, completed basic training and Advanced Individual Training or Tech School, participate in drill weekends and have a six year commitment to the Selected Reserves. The high school diploma or GED must have been earned prior to completion of AIT. Benefits can be used toward a second Baccalaureate if a soldier used the benefits to obtain his/her first Baccalaureate degree.

Chapter 106 of the MGIB pays the following for undergraduate study:

- \$170 per month for full-time (12 hours or more)
- \$128 per month for 3/4 time (9-11 hours)
- \$ 85 per month for 1/2 time (6-8 hours)
- \$ 43 per month for less than half-time

Maximum amount anyone can receive is \$6,120.

Funds are also available for selected flight training programs, vocational/technical programs, cooperative training, OJT and apprenticeship, and correspondence courses.

- \$105 per month for first six months.
- \$ 77 per month for second six months.
- \$ 49 per month for remainder of program.

Maximum amount anyone can receive is \$5,040.

Effective October 1, 1993, benefits paid under Chapter 106 may be reduced to the amount paid prior to Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

- * **Chapter 30, Montgomery GI Bill.** This program provides matching federal funds for educational savings and is available to both Air and Army Guard members serving a Title 32, AGR (Active Guard/Reserve) tour.
- * **College Credit for Military Experience.** The American Council on Education (ACE) has evaluated military training and has recommended that service members be awarded college credit for this training. Community College of the Air Force transcripts recommend credit accepted by most colleges.

Benefits in

- * **Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Educational Support (DANTES)** DANTES was established to provide educational assistance to military members, through the availability of convenient examination programs.

College Credit-by-Examination testing is conducted, including DANTES General, such as math, English, or humanities, and DANTES Subject, to include accounting, management, foreign languages, history and more. These tests are developed by college professors and are administered by the Educational Testing Service in Princeton, New Jersey.

Graduate Record Exams and Graduate Management Admission Tests are also available through DANTES. All tests are given to service members at no cost to them.

There are five DANTES testing sites in Ohio:

- * Bightler Armory, Columbus
- * Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton
- 9th U.S. Coast Guard District, Cleveland
- U.S. Air Force Reserve, Vienna
- U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, Toledo

- * Recommended test sites for Ohio National Guard.

WHAT ARE THE CIVILIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO SERVICE MEMBERS?

- * **Servicemembers Opportunity College (SOC).** This is a network of more than 750 colleges and universities that function in cooperation with the Department of Defense to help meet the higher education needs of service members. SOC offers degree programs up to and including graduate degrees.
- * Degree programs can be structured in the traditional classroom setting or in a home study program, in the form of correspondence and/or independent study.
- * Service members without a high school diploma can enroll in GED or high school diploma programs.

All eligible members of the Ohio National Guard can take advantage of these benefits and programs. Air Guard members should contact their base Education Office for further information.

The Education Service Office can help Army Guard members meet their educational needs by helping them tailor a degree program that will meet their professional and personal goals. Contact Maj. Finney or Maj. Hoon at (614) 889-7275. □

EDUCATION

STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

The Student Loan Repayment Program provides repayment of outstanding eligible federal student loans insured or guaranteed after October 1, 1975 under the Higher Education Act. These loans include the Stafford loans (formerly GSL), Perkins loans (formerly NDSL), Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS), Supplemental Loans for Students (SLS) and the Auxillary Loans to Assist Students (ALAS).

The SLRP can be combined with other Selective Reserve Incentive Programs, the Montgomery GI Bill, and Tuition Grant.

You do not have to be currently in school to qualify for the SLRP. However, there are certain eligibility requirements that must be met. Some of the requirements include:

- * Must be either a high school graduate or expect to graduate within 18 months of enlistment/extension — GED qualifications are not acceptable.
- * Must score 50% or higher on the AFQT Entrance Examination.
- * Must be in a National Guard Bureau-published critical skill or unit, and cannot be slotted as excess.
- * Must enlist/extend for at least six years, with the selection of this bonus being made at the time of enlistment/extension.

Pending availability of federal funding, this incentive pays annually 15 percent of the total balance of all loans plus accrued interest or \$500 plus accrued interest, whichever is greater.

Paperwork needs to be submitted through your unit on an annual basis to ensure timely and accurate payments.

To determine eligibility, Army Guard members should contact your unit administrator. For further information on this program, write Sgt. Lance Ford, HQ STARC, 2815 West Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235-2712 or phone commercial (614) 889-7283, autovon 273-7283.

Air Guard members should contact their base Education Office, or write Senior Master Sgt. Keith Zimmerman, HQ Ohio ANG, Building 440, Rickenbacker ANGB, Ohio 43217 or phone commercial (614) 492-3455, autovon 950-3455. □

TUITION GRANT

The Ohio National Guard Tuition Grant Program is a state-funded scholarship program for individuals pursuing an Associate or Baccalaureate degree who enlist or reenlist in the Ohio National Guard for a six year period.

For this commitment, guardmembers enrolled as full-time students are eligible for financial aid for 12 quarters or eight semesters of undergraduate work at an Ohio Educational institution. A state-assisted institution is paid 60% of the tuition charges for a student, while the private school is paid 60% of the average tuition charges of state-assisted universities.

Grants are limited to the annual average student load of 4,000 full-time equivalent students per term, as funds are available.

To be eligible for this program, the guardmember must be an Ohio resident, possess a high school diploma or a GED, and completed initial active duty training (IADT), to include basic and other skill training requirements which result in the award of an Army Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) or Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC).

Guardmembers must submit initial applications for approval to the Tuition Grant Office and be actively enrolled as a full-time student NOT LATER THAN 12 MONTHS AFTER: date of completion of IADT; or date of enlistment or reenlistment; or date of extension of current enlistment.

Initial and reactivation paperwork needs to be submitted by the designated deadlines:

Fall Term	1 July
Winter Term	1 November
Spring Term	1 February
Summer Term	1 April

A student must also maintain a minimum of 12 credit hours per term; otherwise, the student will be held accountable for reimbursement.

The Tuition Grant Office, within the Adjutant General's Department, is responsible for the centralized administration of the program. For more information, contact the Tuition Grant Office at (614) 889-7032 or 889-7047, or write to The Adjutant General's Department, ATTN: AGOH-TG (Room 139), General Beightler Armory, 2825 West Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235-2712 □

Overseas Deployment Training

*“A valuable part of
the “Guard Experience”*”

Capt. James T. Boling
State Public Affairs Officer

Approximately 1,000 engineering and medical personnel from the Ohio Army National Guard are participating in a six-month exercise (January through June) in Jamaica designed to test reserve component capability to plan for and conduct wartime mission-oriented contingency planning and training in austere overseas environments. Overseas deployment also affords the National Guard an opportunity to conduct and gain experience in mobilization, deployment, reception and execution of training and redeployment activities.

Through the Overseas Deployment Training Program, or ODT, the Department of Defense tasks units to train in their wartime areas of assignment or in parts of the world which best represent the climate and operating conditions of their wartime theaters. This type of hands-on experience proved invaluable during Operation DESERT STORM as the

United States mobilized and deployed the single largest combat and support force in the history of warfare.

In the past five years, the Ohio National Guard has deployed more than 20,000 soldiers and airmen to train all throughout Europe, in the bitter arctic cold of Alaska, the jungles of South America, the tropical climes of Jamaica, Panama and Honduras, the arid deserts of the Southwest and the mountainous regions of Korea, Japan, Venezuela and Ecuador.

Overseas Deployment Training of National Guard units is considered one of the best measures of reserve component combat and mission readiness and is funded entirely by the Department of Defense as part of the military operations budget. No state funds are expended at any time in support of unit military training.

One important aspect of reserve component overseas training is National Guard participation in “nation assistance” projects. Nation assistance projects are requested by the host country through the U.S. Department of State. The State Department then asks the Department of Defense to incorporate “nation assistance” into its

Overseas Deployment Training Program. These goodwill projects include the use of National Guard engineers to build roads, hospitals, schools, and many other facilities in depressed Third World countries.

As an ancillary function of nation assistance, reserve medical, dental and veterinary specialists provide much needed medical care to individuals who may never receive it in their own country. Treatment of native diseases in Third World countries is an important part of military medical training because these are the type of maladies our soldiers may contract if called to serve in combat in that area of the world.

Nation assistance projects are considered by the Department of Defense as high priority, high profile missions for National Guard members and reservists and serve to enhance U.S. relations in Third World hemispheres. The type of training conducted under this program is unavailable anywhere in this country due to federal laws prohibiting military competition with the free enterprise system in the United States.

The Department of Defense recognizes the additional burdens placed on employers and communities of National Guard members and reservists through participation in the Overseas Deployment Training program. On occasion, the DoD will grant participating units permission to conduct civic leader tours to U.S. and overseas training areas so that employers and centers-of-influence in Guard communities can witness firsthand the skills applied by National Guard members in the performance of their military mission and how those missions support the Total Force military effort around the world.

These civic leaders are afforded DoD "mission observer" status on military aircraft in order to see how strategic airlift supports overseas movement of troops. Civic leaders accepting DoD invitations to visit training areas travel at no expense to the government and are responsible for all costs incurred, including meals

"ODT ... for the betterment of community, state, nation, and the world."

and lodging for the duration of their stay. The value gained through allowing community leaders the opportunity to see their hometown guardmembers in action reap immeasurable rewards for our organization through increased understanding and employer support for the Guard as a whole and the individual sacrifices made by each and every one of our members in serving their state and nation. The Ohio National Guard hosted two increments of civic leaders in support of "Enrete 92" in Jamaica.

As you can see, Overseas Deployment Training for the Ohio National Guard provides many benefits for the United States, the countries we train in, and contributes greatly to individual and unit readiness. Guardmembers also have the opportunity to experience different cultures and societies which enrich personal growth as well. They come back to Ohio with a sense of compassion and tolerance of those less fortunate they may never have gained by training in the United States. This adds fuel to the fire of volunteerism so prevalent in our guardmembers and only makes them more valuable to their communities and the state of Ohio.

The Ohio Army and Air National Guard, in addition to their many federal training requirements and volunteer activities, support communities throughout the state of Ohio with engineering assistance, loan and lease of military equipment, and direct unit support whenever feasible. The skills honed by participation in the ODT program are applied at home by providing tangible support to disadvantaged communities through the military's Domestic Action and Community Relations Programs, whereby federal assets are made available to eligible civilian organizations and projects for the public good. We routinely support hundreds of these requests each year.

Some of the engineering projects we are currently supporting include: construction of a full-length taxiway at the Portage County Airport; demolition and clearing an abandoned water plant in the city of Toledo Public Utilities Division; completion of plumbing and electrical work in the Horizon Activities Center for handicapped children in North Olmstead; and many more too numerous to mention.

Overseas Deployment Training is a valuable part of the "Guard experience." It tests mobilization and readiness skills, enhances U.S. diplomatic efforts in the Third World, provides tangible assistance to fledgling democracies, and broadens the social development of National Guard personnel. These experiences are then brought home and cultivated in Ohio through the community relations and domestic action programs, where many opine they are needed the most. In a time when the utility of the military is questioned at every opportunity, one need only look as far as the ODT program to see that defense dollars can be used wisely and efficiently for the betterment of community, state, nation, and the world. □



Family Assistance

Programs and Community Support

As the Guard moves through the 1990s, its role in the community is becoming more important. Problems in the schools, drug and alcohol abuse and environmental issues are becoming a greater concern for all. In an effort to help with these issues, Family Support Groups from across the state are getting involved in programs to deal with these concerns. Drug Demand Reduction, Adopt-a-School, and Adopt-a-Highway are just a few of the programs Family Support Group are involved in.

The Family Support Group can be a valuable tool for a commander who is interested in getting his/her unit more involved in the local community. A good Family Support Group has an established volunteer network and the energy, desire, and people to do the job. If you're concerned about what's going on, *get involved!*

If a commander or Family Support Liaison Officer has any questions about how to get involved, call the Ohio National Guard Family Program Office at 1-800-589-9914.

Workshops Planned

The Ohio Volunteer Family Assistance Council (OVFAC) will sponsor a training workshop in August of this year. The workshop will have two levels of training. Level I will be for basic Family Support Group training, and Level II will be for persons who have had the basic courses in previous workshops. The workshop will be conducted in a university format; participants will attend a few mandatory classes and get to choose their other classes from a list of special-interest topics.

The OVFAC will be working on this project for the next several months and will inform the Family Support Groups of the date and location as soon as it is confirmed. The OVFAC hopes this new approach to training will be interesting and fun. Look for future announcements about OVFAC University! We invite you to be a graduate of the first class of 1992.

Capt. Jeff Farrell
State Family Program Coordinator

Ohio biathletes take on snows of Vermont



1992 BIATHLON TEAM. (Standing, left to right) 2Lt. Michael Malloy, Co. A, 1/147th Infantry; Capt. Phillip Bronsdon, Co. B, 1/166th Infantry; Master Sgt. William Pifer, 200th CES; Staff Sgt. Todd Friend, STARC (-). (Kneeling) Spec. Tracy Vandeventer, Det. 3 STARC (OMA); Maj. Chris Cline, 112th Medical Brigade.

by Maj. Chris Cline
112th Medical Brigade

The Ohio National Guard Biathlon Team made its best showing during the annual Chief, National Guard Bureau Championship at Camp Ethan Allen, Vt., in February.

Biathlon competition combines the sport of cross country ski racing and precision rifle marksmanship. Carrying rifles on their backs in special harnesses, competitors race on forest trails, returning to the range area every three to five kilometers to engage targets.

Although the combination of physical activity and marksmanship is considered a major challenge of this sport, time is the sole determinant of success. Results are based on ski times, with time penalties assessed for targets missed. The lowest time wins.

Ohio placed 14th in the culminating relay event held the last day of competition. Twenty-six states competed in weather that included races in frigid -10 degree weather.

Cold conditions are hard on the biathletes, who wear only lycra racing suits. Subzero temperatures also increase friction, resulting in "sticky skis" and more effort. Balmy temperatures in the lows 20s are considered ideal.

The Ohio team skied four races in six days for a total 52.5 kilometers; 10km and 20km individual races were

skied on back to back days. The 15km patrol race and the 7.5km relays, in which four team members ski as a team, each were preceded by a rest day.

Both Maj. Chris Cline, team captain, and Staff Sgt. Todd Friend, who served as coach at the championship, were pleased with the results.

"The teams ahead of us are snow states, and the opportunity to train on snow gives them a big advantage," Cline

said. "We will certainly work to do better, but this was a good year for us, with our highest place yet. Every team member established new personal records in almost every event."

The biathlon team is always looking for new members with strong aerobic conditioning — especially in cross country ski racing. Contact State Marksmanship Coordinator Maj. Vince Jiga if you're interested. □

SHOOTERS CORNER

by Maj. Vincent Jiga
State Marksmanship Coordinator

The indoor rifle and pistol matches were held at Ohio State University on March 7-8. The turnout was great. The number of shooters coming out for these matches continues to grow. We had 44 rifle shooters, 18 old, and 26 new. For the pistol match we had 67 shooters, 27 old and 40 new. The results of the match are listed below.

I appreciate the interest that is being shown by com-

manders throughout the state. Without your support we could not keep the program alive.

On the weekend of April 25-26, 25 Guard shooters volunteered to help with the spring Director of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM) match that was held at Camp Perry. These individuals coached junior shooters and taught safe weapons handling. We worked with more than 60 boys and girls from age 12 to 18. Juniors and guardmembers alike enjoyed themselves despite rain and cool weather. All who helped deserve a well earned "Thanks."

Match results for the state indoor championships:

PISTOL

Individual Matches

Match Winner	1Lt. Willard G. Long, Det 1, HHC 166th Inf Bn
First Open	TSgt. Kenneth F. Strohm, 200th RHCES
Second Open	MSgt. Wilson R. Clabaugh, 200th RHCES
Third Open	TSgt. Terry L. Eishen, 200th RHCES
Fourth Open	SrMSgt. Courtney L. Boling, 179th TAG
Fifth Open	Sgt. Douglas E. Elieff, 145th MASH
First Novice	SrAmn. Lloyd J. Leinbaugh, 200th RHCES
Second Novice	MSgt. Anatoli J. Obrynba, 200th RHCES
Third Novice	Spec. Robert A. Smith, HHC, 73d Inf Bde
Fourth Novice	Spec. Carl A. Duch, Btry B, 2/174th ADA Hawk
Fifth Novice	TSgt. Paul E. Picking, 179th CAMS
Sixth Novice	SSgt. John R. Kraps, Trp G, 2/107th ACR
Seventh Novice	SSgt. Mike J. Cors, HQ, STARC

Team Matches

First Place Team	200th Red Horse Civil Engineering Squadron
Second Place Team	179th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
Third Place Team	HHC 73rd Infantry Brigade

RIFLE

Individual Matches

Match Winner	SSgt. Orville Platte Jr., 200th RHCES
First Open	TSgt. Terry L. Martino, 121st CAMS
Second Open	TSgt. James L. Sayre, 121st CAMS
Third Open	Maj. Christopher T. Cline, 112th Med Bde
Fourth Open	TSgt. Terry L. Eishen, 200th RHCES
Fifth Open	SrAmn. Lloyd J. Leinbaugh, 200th RHCES
First Novice	Spec. Daniel L. Mitcham, HHC 73d Inf Bde
Second Novice	TSgt. Terry W. Broyles, 121st CAMS
Third Novice	SSgt. Roy A. Schrader, 200th RHCES
Fourth Novice	Spec. Robert A. Smith, HHC 73rd Inf Bde
Fifth Novice	TSgt. Edward J. Lacroix Jr., 200th RHCES
Sixth Novice	Pfc. Scott M. Mingus, 135th MP Co
Seventh Novice	Spec. Ronald W. Degroff, 323rd MP Co

Team Matches

First Place Team	200th Red Horse Civil Engineering Squadron
Second Place Team	121st Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
Third Place Team	HHC 73rd Infantry Brigade

If you need information on the marksmanship program, contact Maj. Vince Jiga (614) 889-7424 days, (614) 855-3304 evenings.



AFIS

News Briefs

Active Guard Reserve officers and enlisted Desert Storm returnees and other members of the reserve components are currently authorized to retain one Desert Battle Dress uniform pending a Congressional decision to amend Title 10, of the U.S. Code.

The amendment would authorize the service secretary concerned to issue a uniform gratuitously to eligible soldiers. If the AGR soldier separates prior to Congressional approval, DBDU must be returned. **Army Reserve**

The 1992 Appropriation's Act authorized the Department of Defense to forgive more than \$133 million owed by active and reserve component soldiers from Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

The DoD is forgiving legitimate individual debts up to \$2,500 and refunding all interest, penalties and administrative fees related to debts incurred by current service members who received advanced payment and overpayment, and those who were

released from active duty or demobilized before full repayment was possible. **Voice of First Army**

Military members who directly participated in Operation Desert Storm may qualify for a Kuwait Liberation Medal from the Saudi Arabian government.

Established by the Saudi Arabian king, the medal is for military men and women who were in the war zone between Jan. 17, 1991, and Feb. 28, 1991. Its intent is to honor the outstanding performance of coalition forces in their historic liberation of Kuwait last year.

To be eligible, an individual must have served at least one day with a unit in ground or shore operations, or flown as a crew member during at least one aerial mission. An individual who was on temporary duty in the war zone must have served at least 30 days consecutively during this period.

Designated by executive order, the Persian Gulf war zone consists of Bahrain, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Also considered part of the war zone are the Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Gulfs of Oman and Aden and portion of the Arabian Sea. **AFIS**

Editor's Note: *Spec. James Sparrow gave an impassioned acceptance speech for the Governor's Award which honored Desert Storm veterans. The inspiration for the night's only standing ovation is printed below.*

I am very proud to accept this award on behalf of Ohio's citizen-soldiers. I am also humbled to be chosen as the voice of everyman. For the Ohio National Guard is everyman. Though I stand before you, clad in the uniform of the United States Army soldier, I am by trade a schoolteacher. In the Saudi I soldiered alongside hundreds of other civilians: Ohio's son's and daughter's, teachers and tradesmen, mechanics and students. We in the Guard are you, and we are common.

However, at this time last year, Ohio's common men were doing an uncommon thing. The world believes, and I also believe, that what we did in the Middle East was honorable and just. It seems I did a great thing, and I am not a great man. However, I had the marvelous fortune to be associated with a great undertaking. I, and all Desert Storm veterans, get to reflect the glory of our country's victory, just as the moon reflects the glory of the sun.

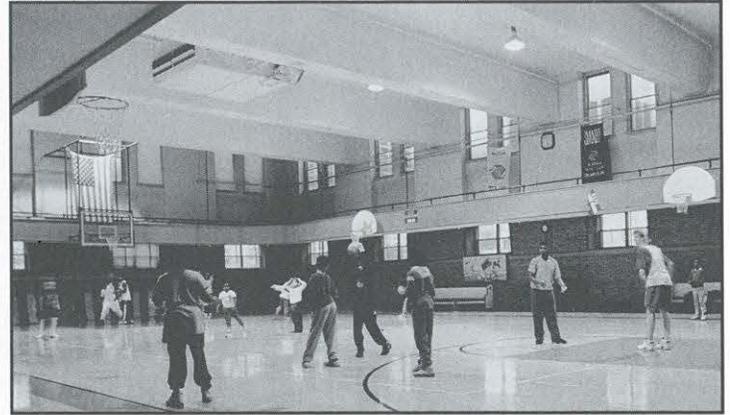
Eighteen months ago, I existed in happy obscurity. The spirit that made America great lay dormant in me. Then my country called and gave me inspired leadership and support; I came to see myself as you saw me, and emerged, through some alchemy I don't understand, to serve with distinction as a tiny cog in a mighty engine of justice. As my reward I have gained the admiration of free men everywhere. I shall remember the thrill of it until I am on my deathbed.

I will also remember the thrill of my homecoming. When we came home a year ago, there were parades, and we were confident. Now the mood of the country is strangely pessimistic and oddly xenophobic. I refuse to take counsel of these fears. I contemplate the future with stern and tranquil gaze. A great cause plucked me from obscurity and transformed me from a common citizen into the distinguished citizen who stands before you tonight. We live in a historic time and great causes lie all about us. My experience demonstrates that in each of Ohio's citizens exists the greatness to make us worthy of our time. Thank You.



Kuwait Liberation Medal

Boy's Club offers fun, friends, education



by Spec. J.D. Biros
196th Public Affairs Detachment

One hidden treasure for children in central Ohio can be found in downtown Columbus at the Salesian Boy's Club.

Now that treasure has become even more valuable for boys of Desert Shield/Storm veterans. As part of a grant from the Department of Defense, the Salesian Boy's Club is offering a free week at its summer camp to boys of National Guard members and Reservist activated during Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

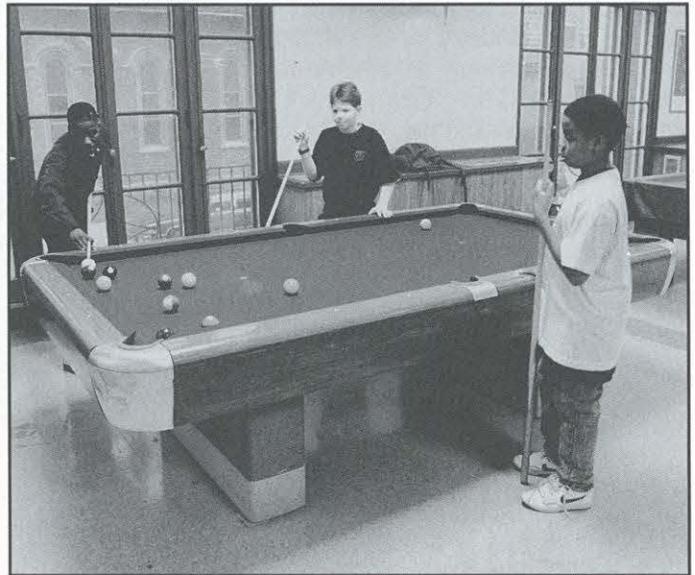
From outside the building located at 80 S. 6th St., it's hard to believe that inside the several story, stone structure is a world of entertainment and educational activities for young boys. Aside from the library, reading room, computer lab and other tutor services to help enhance young minds, the Salesian Boy's Club also offers a full gym, an indoor running track, a swimming pool, a bowling alley, a miniature golf course, a rec room with billiard tables and arcade video games, and a cafeteria.

"We definitely have a wide variety of activities for the boys," said Michael Ross, assistant director of the club. The youth center employs 10 full-time and 20 part-time personnel to "participate actively in the activities of the boys."

According to Ross, the Boy's Club is open year-round for boys to spend time interacting with their peers and strengthen their knowledge in various areas of academia to include art and computer science. "It's a youth guidance and development center," Ross said.

In addition to the on-site activities available, the summer camp program sponsors field trips to various places around Ohio. The road trips allow the boys to venture out to museums and parks while still under adult supervision.

Ross said the Summer Camp is not only a means entertainment and social interaction, but it is also an outreach



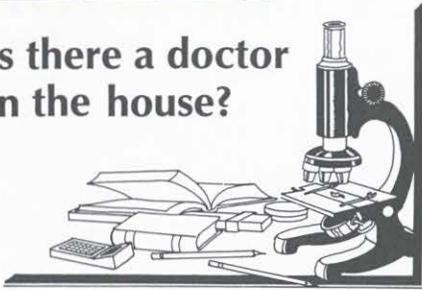
for children of Reserve component members who were activated for the war in the Persian Gulf. The periods of activation were traumatic for many families, and the Boy's Club offers an avenue to assist in dealing with any problems still evident in young boys, Ross said. The center is also a lot of fun, he added.

For mothers and fathers preparing for annual training, Ross said the Summer Camp can provide safety, security and guidance for boys during that two week period. For boys aged 7 through 14, the Summer Camp is open June through August from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. During the school months, the club is open Tuesday through Friday 3 p.m. through 9 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information about the Salesian Boy's Club, contact Michael Ross at (614) 464-4045. □

Buckeye Briefs

Is there a doctor in the house?



The 112th Medical Brigade has a position open for a veterinary staff NCO, skill level E-8. Personnel with a preventative medicine background or who meet the requirement as an Inspector, Agriculture Commodities, DOT Classification 168.287-010, contact Sgt. Maj. Rodney J. Newell by letter at Headquarters, 112th Medical Brigade, 2815 W. Granville Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43235-2712. □



Secretary of State Bob Taft reminds you to register to vote. You are eligible to vote if you are a citizen of the United States, you are at least 18 years old by the general election, and you are a resident of Ohio. You must be registered to vote in the precinct in which you reside at least 30 days before the election, by October 5th to be eligible to vote in the November election.

Contact your local board of elections to register to vote, or call the Secretary of State's Office at (614) 466-2585 to obtain forms to register by mail. Don't delay — register today. □

Chapel News



Brig. Gen. Philip Williams (center left), deputy chief of staff for the Ohio Air National Guard, and Col. Fred Larson (far left), commander of the 179th Tactical Airlift Group, presented the First Christian Church and its congregation a certificate of appreciation for their "willingness to share" fellow guardmember, Reverend Charles R. Miller (far right). The plaque was presented to Steve Stover

(center right), chairman of the church board.

State Chaplain John Ellington foresees this as the first of many recognition ceremonies across the state. This program was initiated by the Ohio Air National Guard to recognize all churches who are willing to sacrifice their chaplain to the Guard one weekend a month and two weeks a year. □

REUNION NOTES

Officials at the national headquarters of the American Legion have announced that VetNet, the Legion's electronic reunion service has been replaced with Veterans Electronic Telecommunications Services (VETS).

VETS will give veterans an opportunity to get nationwide information on military reunions by calling 1-900-737-VETS, at \$1.95 per minute.

To provide information to VETS write: American Legion Magazine, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind. 46206. Include all pertinent information, i.e. time, place, point-of-contract, phone number, etc.

148th Infantry Regiment Veterans

37th Infantry Division
August 28 & 29, 1992

Camp Perry Training Site
Port Clinton, Ohio

For further information contact:
Hank Donnell
8117 Scarborough Court
Indianapolis, Ind. 46256

37th Division Veterans Association

September 4, 5, 6, 1992

Radisson Hotel — Columbus North
4900 Sinclair Road
Columbus, Ohio 43229

For further information contact:
Headquarters, 37th Division
Veterans Association
65 South Front Street Room 707
Columbus, Ohio 43215
(614) 228-3788

101st Airborne Division Association

47th Annual Reunion — 50th
Anniversary of Activation
August 20, 21, 22, 1992

Sheraton Colorado Springs Hotel
Colorado Springs, Colo.

For further information contact:
Ivan Worrell
Executive Secretary
101st Airborne Division Association
101 E. Morris St.
Sweetwater, Tenn. 37874
(615) 337-4103

SUMMER SPORTS

Batter up!



The Ohio National Guard Softball Tournament is scheduled for July 25-26. The 178th Tactical Fighter Group will host the event at the Davey Moore Softball Complex, Springfield, Ohio. Overnight accommodations at military rates may be arranged at the Springfield Holiday Inn.

Entry forms will be mailed to units soon, or call the Ohio National Guard Enlisted Association at 1-800-642-6642 for advance entry forms. Contact Dave Adducchio at (513) 328-8256 or DSN 346-2256 for further details. □

10th Annual TAG Golf Tournament



The Ohio National Guard Citizen Soldier Museum is administering the 10th Annual Adjutant General's Golf Tournament on Aug. 28th. Located in Lockbourne, Ohio, the tournament will be held at Steeplechase Golf Course, with tee times being scheduled from 7 a.m. to noon.

A \$40 entrance fee, which covers the cost of the game, a cart, lunch and dinner, is due in by Aug. 20th. Call Jerry Wilson at 1-800-642-6642 for application information.

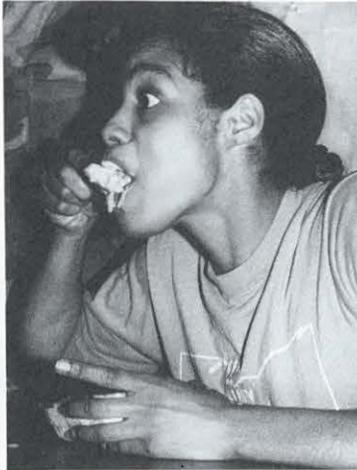


Photo by Spec. Cameron Williams

I CAN'T BELIEVE I ATE THE WHOLE THING! Sgt. Tonya Wheatley, 337th PSC, takes the term "Operation Feed" to heart as she inhales that last bite of ice cream during a banana split eating contest, one event of many on FUNraiser Day at Beightler Armory in late April.

With a holiday collection of canned goods in December combined with a flurry of activities in April, the Adjutant General's Department succeeded putting food in the mouths of Ohio's hungry by raising over \$2,000 in cash donations and collecting over 5,500 cans in this year's Operation Feed Campaign. A special thanks to all who donated and to this year's coordinator, Michelle Noel, who pulled it all together. □



First Statewide Ohio Veterans Memorial Foundation

COLUMBUS-From World War II to the Persian Gulf, in times of war and peace, nearly two million Ohioans have answered our nation's call to duty. Many more will answer that call in the future. Now, all those men and women will be honored with the Veterans Memorial Foundation.

The Memorial will become the new front door for visitors to Capitol Square, the center of government for Ohio. It will be the first veterans' memorial placed on the Statehouse grounds in 60 years, and the first memorial ever to honor all Ohio veterans.

If you'd like to contribute to this campaign, send checks payable to the Disabled American Veterans, annotating the "Veterans Memorial Fountain," to 65 S. Front St. Room 708, Columbus, Ohio 43215. □

SAM'S CLUB
MEMBERS ONLY
A DIVISION OF WAL MART STORES, INC.

All military personnel are now eligible for a 90-day pass at SAM'S CLUB. SAM'S CLUB is a members-only, cash-and-carry warehouse offering a selection of brand-name merchandise at the lowest possible wholesale prices.

To get your 90-day pass, bring this insert to the membership desk of

any SAM'S CLUB and present your military identification card. All pass holders must pay in cash and add a 5% upcharge for all purchases.

If you're impressed with the prices offered while using the 90-day pass, you may choose to apply for an Advantage Card Membership, \$25 for one card or \$35 for two. With the Advantage Card, you pay only the posted price, no 5% upcharge, and your membership comes with a one year guarantee, fully refundable if you are not satisfied. □

People

Osborn named 1st Army/ FORSCOM NCO of the Year



SFC James W. Osborn

Ohio's own Sgt. First Class James W. Osborn won the First U.S. Army/FORSCOM Army National Guard NCO of the Year competition at Niagara Falls, N.Y. earlier this spring.

The Ohio Military Academy instructor sharpened his competitive edge by spending the first week of May in Washington D.C. rivaling against ten other NCOs for the title "National Guard Bureau NCO of the Year."

State Command Sgt. Maj. Richard L. Wehling expressed great pride in Osborn's accomplishments.



LaPrise promoted to general



ITS ALL SMILES as Maj. Gen. James Williams and Ann LaPrise pin the shining stars on the new general.

William LaPrise, Ohio Army National Guard's assistant adjutant general for training, was recently promoted to brigadier general.

Deputy STARC Commander Maj. Gen. James Williams and LaPrise's wife, Ann, had the honor of pinning the silver stars on the new general. His three daughters, Laura, Krista, and Suzanne, as well as his parents also

attended the happy occasion.

The ceremony took place in early March at Kreber Armory in Kettering, where LaPrise served as commander of the 371st Support Group from August 1986 to March 1991. LaPrise's military career also includes earning his commission in 1966, serving in Vietnam, and commanding the 112th Transportation Battalion.

Intelligence honored

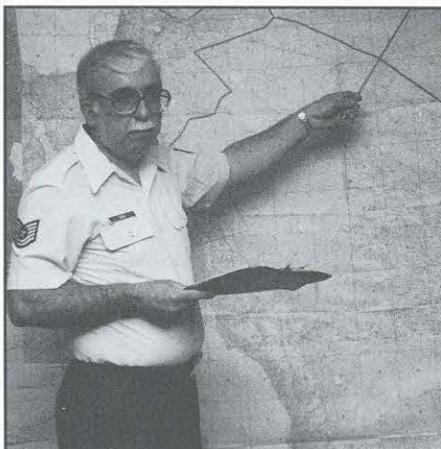


Photo by Sgt. Rhoda Pined

SHEA ANNOTATED ESTABLISHED air refueling tracks, as well as known threats, enemy positions, missile rings and naval vessel locations on a large wall chart of the Arabian peninsula.

Kudos to Tech. Sgt. Thomas Shea, noncommissioned officer in charge for the 160th Air Refueling Group Intelligence Branch, who was named the Outstanding Strategic Air Command (SAC) Intelligence Noncommissioned Officer of the Year — Reserve Forces.

Although he grabbed the top award, Shea said, "Just getting the nomination was honor enough."

Shea's nomination was based heavily on his accomplishments during Operation Desert Storm where he "...developed additional means to acquire and track intelligence information at the remote operating location" in Saudi Arabia.



Buckeye GUARD

Survey



The *Buckeye Guard* staff wants to know what you think about the magazine. If you take the time to fill this out, we'll take the time to listen. Please send completed forms to State Public Affairs Office, 2825 West Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235-2712.

Please return by September 1, 1992.

1. Define your status:

- Army Guard
- Air Guard
- Technician (Army or Air)
- AGR (Army or Air)
- Family of military member
- Civilian

2. Male or female?

- Male
- Female

3. What is your educational background?

- Masters or higher
- Undergraduate degree
- Associate degree
- High school diploma
- Other (specify) _____

4. Why did you join the National Guard?

- To Serve State and Nation
- Tuition assistance
- Leadership opportunities
- Challenge/Adventure
- Patriotism
- Money/Benefits
- Military skills training
- Camaraderie
- Travel
- Other (specify) _____

5. Do you take advantage of the discounts publicized in the *Buckeye Guard*?

- Yes
- No

6. What's your race?

- Caucasian
- African American
- Hispanic
- Asian
- Other (specify) _____

7. What's your marital status?

- Single
- Married
- Divorced/separated
- Widowed

8. Do you have children?

- Yes
- No

9. Your rank is:

- Officer
 - 0-6 and above
 - 0-4 to 0-5
 - 0-1 to 0-3
 - Warrant
- Enlisted
 - E-8 and above
 - E-5 to E-7
 - E-1 to E-4
- Civilian

10. Your age group:

- Under 25
- 26-35
- 36-45
- 46-55
- Over 56

11. How regularly do you read the *Buckeye Guard*?

- Every issue
- Most issues
- Once in a while
- Never (please comment on #18)

12. Who else reads your *Buckeye Guard*?

- No one
- Spouse
- Family member
- Others (specify) _____

13. Rate the following 1 (outstanding), 2 (good), 3 (average), 4 (below average).

- _____ Overall appearance
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Headlines
- _____ Writing (readability)
- _____ Writing (excitement)
- _____ Art (other than photos)
- _____ Design

14. What is your opinion of the *Buckeye Guard*?

- Enjoy it
- Acceptable
- Little interest

15. Which sections do you read?

- Military news/National & Local
- Unit training
- Community involvement
- Feature/topical stories
- Sports/Physical Fitness
- News Briefs
- Buckeye Briefs
- People
- Command profiles

16. Rate the following categories of interest to you. Use a scale of 1 (high) to 10 (low), using each number only once.

- _____ Military news
- _____ Unit training
- _____ Community involvement
- _____ Feature/Topical stories
- _____ Sports/Physical Fitness
- _____ Family Support
- _____ News Briefs
- _____ Buckeye Briefs
- _____ People
- _____ Benefits

17. Rate the *Buckeye Guard's* coverage of the following categories. Use a scale of 1 (too little coverage), 2 (about right), 3 (too much coverage).

- _____ Military news
- _____ Unit training
- _____ Community involvement
- _____ Feature/Topical stories
- _____ Sports/Physical Fitness
- _____ Family Support
- _____ People stories
- _____ Benefits

18. Personal comments (what you'd like to see more of, less of in the magazine, what you'd change, etc.). _____

Swit, Hope entertain
Ohio troops at AMERIFLORA
page 20



Buckeye
GUARD

The Ohio National Guard
2825 W. Granville Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43235-2712

OFFICIAL BUSINESS
PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE, \$300

BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
LOUISVILLE, KY
PERMIT NO. 59