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To All Members of the Ohio
Army and Air National Guard

Christmas 1990

The holiday season is a time of peace, love and happiness; a time to join with family and friends; a time to cherish. A time to remember the past and contemplate the future.

Looking back over the past year, we, as Ohioans, have much to be proud of. We worked together, citizen-soldiers and civilians, to come to the aid of Shadyside and other communities devastated by spring and summer's severe storms. Through programs like Operation Feed, United Way and the Combined Federal Campaigns, we gave generously of ourselves to those in need.

Symbols of our concern and support are everywhere. Red ribbons display our involvement in the war on drugs, and orange ribbons proclaim our pride and appreciation for those Americans serving the call of freedom in the Middle East. This spirit of cooperation, dedication and volunteerism has fostered an overwhelming sense of community pride throughout Ohio.

We have worked hand-in-hand to achieve this sense of pride over the years and to keep Ohio the finest state in the union. For this, I am proud and thankful to have represented the Ohio Air and Army National Guard, and to have served as Governor of this great state.

As we enjoy the togetherness of our holiday celebrations, let us pause to remember those Ohioans who are serving their state and nation far from home on foreign soils. And, as we reflect, let each of us say a prayer for peace on earth.

From the Governatorial Staff and the Adjutant General's Department, have a happy, safe holiday season.

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A-7D Corsair's from the 121st TFW prepare to do battle in the 1990 Ohio Turkey Shoot competition. (Photo by Capt. Jim Boling)



The Governor of Ohio and the Adjutant General's Department wish all a safe and happy holiday season.



A 160th Air Refueling Group aircrew refuels an F-111 somewhere over the Saudi Arabian desert. The 160th has been participating in DESERT SHIELD since the first few weeks of the operation. (Photo by 2nd Lt. Ann-Maria Noland)



Family members say farewell as the 1487th Transportation Company departs for their mobilization station. (Photo by Master Sgt. Jim Hall)

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The lost art of mentoring

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Editor

We, the undersigned, proud Engineers of Charlie Company, 112th, are disappointed with the article that appeared in the BUCKEYE GUARD, Fall 1990, regarding the flash flood disaster in Shadyside.

We feel the story minimized our contribution in the massive clean up. For seven stressful days and nights we toiled in shifts around the clock in an effort to return that part of Belmont County to some semblance of normalcy.

From 15 Jun 90 to 21 Jun 90, we pumped out cellars, bulldozed away debris, removed dead animals, gathered up belongings, dug out buried vehicles and more.

We pride ourselves in being all that we can be.

Sincerely yours,

C Company, 112th Engineer Brigade
(Signed by 45 unit members)

From the Editor:

I sincerely regret the omission of your unit in the Shadyside Disaster article. Although the article credits National Guard soldiers as being on site by Friday afternoon, we failed to make it clear that it was the 112th Engineer Battalion on scene.

All of the National Guard troops who responded to the Shadyside disaster should be commended for their outstanding efforts during the disaster relief.

RICKENBACKER ANG BASE—Mentoring is something that we talk about from time to time, but I wonder how many of us practice it. The dictionary defines a mentor as: "A wise and trusted counselor or teacher." I believe that it is this and much more. True mentoring is honest, patient and concerned leadership. What makes me an expert on the subject? I was lucky enough to be exposed to mentoring early on in my full-time career and I've benefited from it ever since. I didn't fully appreciate it then, but I realize now just how fortunate I was.

In 1985, I started my first full-time job in the National Guard as a Training Technician at a Major Command Headquarters. I was a young E-5 with no full-time experience and a very limited knowledge in training management. I had all the right elements for failure.

However, my first line supervisor was an experienced, knowledgeable sergeant major who was determined to make me successful. On a daily basis, he went above and beyond the basic requirements of a supervisor. No matter how many times I

asked the same questions or made the same mistakes, he was always there to put me back on track. He was also quick to let me take credit for successful projects that he could very easily have taken full credit for. That seems to be a rare quality in leadership.

I left that sergeant major after two short years to pursue what I thought were greener pastures in the Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) program, but it seems that the longer I'm away from him, the more I appreciate him.

Every day I use the lessons that the sergeant major so patiently taught me. In fact, whenever I get into trouble, it's usually because I have strayed from his teachings.

As I look around me today, I don't see a lot of mentoring taking place. Are we so busy that there's not enough time to be a *trusted* counselor or teacher? Has mentoring become a lost art?

Soldiers at all levels deserve honest, patient and concerned leadership. It was a good learning experience for me to work for the sergeant major and I feel that I owe him a great deal. However, I am certain that if I use the same leadership technique with my subordinates, the sergeant major would consider the bill paid in full.

Last Words:

*The Adjutant
General's Department
Wishes You A Safe
And Happy Holiday!*



Guard Profiles



Name: Jon R. Wilkinson

Age: 55

Occupation: Senior Enlisted Advisor, Ohio Air National Guard

Life has taught me: Trust, but verify

If I could have just one day all to myself,

I would: Take a long bike ride

The one film I would have liked to have starred in is: Casablanca

When no one's looking I: Read the "National Enquirer"

When I was little I wanted to be: A senior NCO

The worst advice I ever received was: After the Army Reserve you won't like the Air National Guard

The best advice I ever received was: Join the Air National Guard

If I could dine with anyone, past or present,

I would invite: Abraham Lincoln

The best moment in my life happened

when I: Heard the doctor say on two occasions, "it's a healthy girl"

My favorite book: The complete verse of Rudyard Kipling

My favorite movie: African Queen

If I could leave today's guardmembers with one piece of advice it would be: There

are many reasons to stay in the National Guard but the three most important are duty, honor, and country.

Correct address supports Desert Shield mail

by F. Peter Wigginton

American Forces Information Service

Getting mail to service members overseas has always been important. DoD officials say Desert Shield postal operations have taken on even greater significance because of host-nations' political, cultural and religious concerns.

The commander of U.S. forces in the Middle East, Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, has asked people to use good judgment and to respect the local culture when they send mail to the region.

Saudi mail restrictions, for instance, ban sexually suggestive photographs or magazines that contain nudes or scantily clad men or women or promote "exotic" lingerie. Military Postal Service representatives suggest pictures of women and girls should reflect "American standards of good taste."

Small quantities of religious materials for the personal use of a U.S. service member are OK—a single Bible or prayer book, for example, said a military postal service representative. On the other hand, bulk shipments of religious materials could be interpreted as an effort to convert the Saudi public.

Adhering to DoD mail guidelines ensures parcels will reach their Persian Gulf destinations and will help dispel the "ugly American" image that adversaries are trying to promote, said a DoD spokeswoman.

Military postal agency authorities also indicated mailing procedures may be simplified by avoiding unnecessary errors. Navy Lt. Cmdr. Bernita Dodd, agency chief of operations, said people writing to Desert Shield service members have two options for reaching addressees.

Senders who want to reach a specific individual must provide the person's name, unit and the proper APO or FPO number. "If they don't have the proper APO/FPO number for the Saudi operation, then they should use the address of the unit before it deployed. The mail will be forwarded," she said, adding forwarded mail will reach service members faster than incorrectly addressed mail.

She repeated that the previously publicized "Any Servicemember" APO and FPO addresses are strictly for generic letters not intended for specific service members. Such mail for Army, Air Force and Marine Corps ground unit personnel should be addressed to:

**Any Servicemember
APO NY 09848-0006**

Generic mail to Navy and Marine Corps personnel onboard ships should read:

**Any Servicemember
FPO NY 09866-0006**

Military Postal Service Agency, Dodd said, ensures Operation Desert Shield participants and all other military postal customers receive proper mail service and that their mail problems and complaints are resolved. She invites questions and comments at 1-703-325-8796/8869, or Autovon 221-8796/8869.

112th Transportation Battalion

Story and photos by Master Sgt. Jim Hall
196th Public Affairs Detachment

WILMINGTON—If you think parallel parking the family gas guzzler in a tight spot is a headache, try to imagine the migraine you'd get trying to put the 55-foot of 14-ton tractor-trailer into a 61-foot parking space.

Now imagine doing it competitively and for fun on a cold October day. Sprinkle in a spattering of on and off misting rain, and you've got the makings of a 112th Transportation Battalion 'Rodeo'.

But wait, there's more. That's only one tenth of the fun at the annual 'Rodeo' held at the Laurel Oaks Career Development Center in Wilmington each year. There's also an in-ranks inspection, a written driver's test, a graded preventative maintenance checks and services (PMCS), and six other obstacles that tests the driver's skills on their assigned vehicles.

Battalion units participating in the 'Rodeo' include: Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Middletown; the 1484th Transportation Company out of



Sergeant Patrick Homan, 1485th Trans. Co., keeps an eye on the water-filled soft drink cans in the diminishing clearance obstacle as Sgt. Robin Robbins walks along behind grading Homan on maneuvering the obstacle.

Stubenville and Cambridge; the 1485th out of Dover; the 1486th out of Ashland

and Mansfield; and the 1487th out of Eaton and Piqua. For the five companies and detachment that make up the 112th, the 'Rodeo' is a showdown to prove just who the best drivers in the battalion are, according to Master Sgt. Ted Wilhoit, the battalion training sergeant.

"Remember that our mission is to provide command and supervision of units engaged in motor transport operations," Wilhoit said. "So, in a professional competition like the 'Rodeo' only the best four drivers from each company get to compete. We run this competition without ground guides, tough and by the book (FM 55-30, Motor Transportation Operations). This is a battalion S-3 function, with all unit truck masters on hand to do all the judging except the in-ranks inspection. Command Sgt. Maj. Kenneth VanSickle is the expert in that area."

The competition begins with an in-ranks inspection that misses nothing or rather, nothing that VanSickle misses. The inspection is worth 50 of the 510 points possible in the event.

From the inspection, it's on to PMCS that's combed and graded by battalion



Sergeant First Class William Fookes, battalion maintenance inspector, queries Spec. Susan Henry, 1485th Trans. Co. about the preventative maintenance checks and services (PMCS) she conducts on her vehicle during 'Rodeo' competition.

tests drivers 'Roadeo'-style

maintenance inspectors Staff Sgt. Butch Swartz, Sgt. 1st Class William Fookes and a no-holds-barred paperwork check by Master Sgt. Richard Schwegman.

Surviving the first two events, the drivers climbed behind the wheel and began twisting, turning, backing, braking, inching and dodging their way through seven, 50-point obstacles that included an alley dock, serpentine maneuver and offset alley.

Though an obstacle was bumped or scraped now and then, everyone, including invited family members, remained safe. But, there was a chance of an unexpected shower if one got too close to a water-filled soft drink can that was crushed by a straying wheel during the straight line or diminishing clearance events.

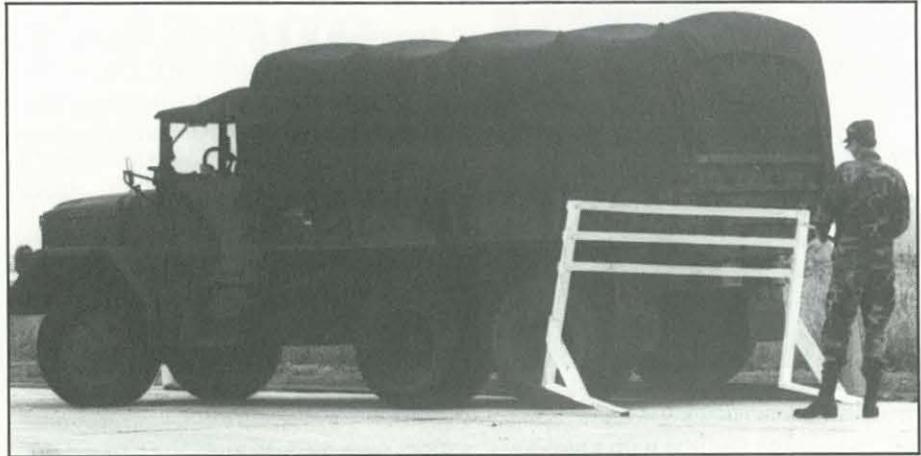
It wasn't all competition. The drivers and other members of the battalion did get an 11:30 break to participate in a battalion change of command ceremony and awards ceremony. During the ceremony, Lt. Col. Robert Carlson passed the battalion colors on to the new 112th Trans. Bn. commander, Lt. Col. James Kelleher, and several battalion soldiers received awards. Following the ceremony, Carlson was also presented mementos of appreciation from all of the units.

After the ceremony and a quick lunch, it was back to the 'Roadeo.'

By the end of the day there had been a lot of sighs of relief, back-slapping, handshaking, and a few murmured expletives. There were winners and losers, and all that remained was the awards ceremony to announce the winners.

The 'Roadeo' awards ceremony began after dinner. One by one the winners were announced: hauling off the overall unit award for the 'Roadeo' for the first time was HHD; driving into first place in the M35A2, 2 1/2-ton truck division was Spec. Christopher Lewis, HHD; wheeling into first in the M818 5-ton tractor and M127A1 12-ton trailer division was Spec. Michael Blankenship, 1484th Trans. Co.; and back to reclaim first place, after finishing second in 1989, in the M915A1 14-ton tractor and M872A1 34-ton trailer division was Sgt. Phillip Bush, 1487th Trans. Co.

Bush, who served four years in the army



Easy, easy, oops. The driver of this M35A2, 2 1/2-ton truck drops some points at the parallel parking obstacle.

prior to joining the Ohio Army National Guard six years ago, has an impressive 'win' list in the 112th's 'Roadeo' competition. He placed first in his division in 1987 and '88, slipped to second in 1989 and shifted gear back into first this year.

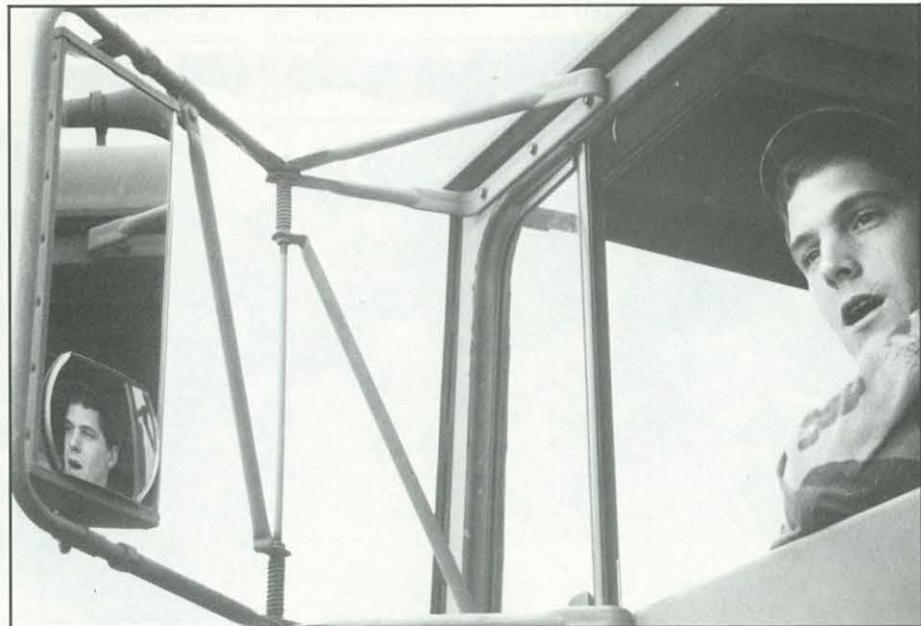
A workshop supervisor for Ohio Penal Industries at the Warren Correctional Institution, Bush practices and works on his assigned vehicle in his spare time throughout the year. But prior to the 'Roadeo' he steps up the effort.

"I worked on my vehicle approximately

20 hours just prior to the 'Roadeo,'" he said. "This is my fourth year in the 'Roadeo', and I know you've got to work to win. The 'Roadeo' is real challenging every year, and the competition keeps getting stiffer. People are putting a lot of time into it and practicing on their own time. That's what it takes."

What advice would the past and present champ offer other drivers?

"Read the manual and pay close attention to the dimensions of different obstacles, and set up your own course to practice on. I do."



Specialist Ryan Frizzell, 1486th Trans. Co. checks out his mirror before starting through the obstacle course at the 112th Trans. Bn. 'Roadeo'.

145th MASH: On line and ready for action

Story and photo by
2nd Lt. Aria Ala-U-Dini
HHC, 112th Med. Bde.

CAMP PERRY—Armed with U.S. Army's newest and most sophisticated field hospital, the Ohio Army National Guard's 145th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) is on line and will soon be ready to provide medical support wherever and whenever they are needed.

The 145th MASH, located at Camp Perry, recently completed training at Camp Bullis, Texas, to become familiar with Deployable Medical Systems (DEPMEDS), a self-contained, transportable medical unit which during war-time will allow it to deploy a 60 bed hospital in virtually any environment.

Maj. Joseph Kohut, the unit's executive officer, said one major advantage that DEPMEDS offers is that it is completely self-contained. "If a local hospital gets wiped out, we can go in and set up another hospital with operating rooms in a matter of hours," he said.

There are currently 50 DEPMEDS operating in the Army's medical department and another 156 units will be receiving the system based on a prioritized list.

According to Capt. Cole Slattery, the DEPMEDS project officer at Camp Bullis, the system is not unique to the Army. The U.S. Navy and the U.S. Air Force also use the DEPMEDS.

"The system evolved out of a joint military task force. It was collated from all branches," he said. The team that created the DEPMEDS concept took the best parts from each one of the services and created a better transportable hospital.

"All the equipment already existed in the military's inventory. But some modifications were made to make the system fully compatible for all the sister services," Slattery said.

For the Army, DEPMEDS replaces the older MUST (Medical Units Self-contained Transportable) system, which consumed almost 1,000 gallons of jet fuel per day to operate.

"The MUST system created a logistical nightmare for the Army," Slattery explained. It also lacked flexibility and commonality among the quad-services, Slattery said.

The DEPMEDS is a series of specially modified temper tents and iso-shelters which attach together to create a fully functional hospital. When the 145th's five iso-shelters and six tents are deployed, the

hospital will be capable of fielding two operating rooms where emergency surgery can be performed around the clock.

The MASH will also be capable of handling patients in four intensive care wards, and can hold them up to 72 hours before further evacuating them to the rear.

"Giving us that kind of capability so close to the front lines of battle can really translate into a lot of lives saved," Kohut said.

"It's a living program; constantly being modified and upgraded, with each generation being better than its predecessor," Slattery said.

The version that the 145th MASH has received is the most up-to-date and modern in the Army's inventory.

According to the hospital commander, Col. Charles Dillard, because the hospital unit is modular in design, it is more transportable than the older systems.

"By definition, we are a *mobile* surgical hospital. We can move rapidly with the troops and set up quickly to provide them with medical support," he said.

The MASH personnel can set up a functional hospital in as little as six hours. The entire hospital can be set up in under 24 hours.

Because of the size and weight of DEPMEDS, the system can not be transported easily. For this reason the MASH's equipment is already in place at the unit's emergency deployment site.

The MASH is presently equipped with only a MEET (Minimum Equipment Essential for Training) set which will allow it to remain proficient in all aspects of deployment readiness.

According to Kohut, the unit hopes to receive an augmentation set. With the additional equipment, the MASH will be capable of setting up a fully functional 12-bed hospital for state emergencies.

"We are one of six MASH units in the Army National Guard. We are also part of one of only three medical brigades in the U.S.," Dillard said. "With this new system, we can really improve our image and contribute greatly to the Army's total force concept."



Maj. Ruth Wilcox (center) and two assistants get measurements prior to erecting a Deployable Medical System at Camp Bullis, Texas.

Camp Grayling gets 'High Tech' range

Story and photos by
Cadet Kristin K. Hampton
196th PAD

CAMP GRAYLING, Mich.—Bullets whiz down the firing lanes towards the pop up targets operated by a computer. That's right, a computer. The "Buckeye" marksmen firing on the new computerized range at Camp Grayling Michigan met some new obstacles.

According to Staff Sgt. Terry L. Geer, operation NCO for range control, only about 50 percent of the soldiers qualify on Range 19 their first time through.

"There's a lot less experts fired on this course and only a handful of perfect 40s," Geer said.

There are several different reasons why the soldiers might not be used to this type of range. First, they only have a total of three minutes to fire 40 rounds, one and a half minutes in the foxhole and the same amount of time in the unsupported prone position. Additionally, multiple targets appear and every target on the course only remains up for five seconds each, regardless of how many simultaneous targets there are. So, the rate of fire is fast paced and

no alibis are given. Therefore, on this range if your weapon jams you're simply out of luck.

The second consideration is the landscape of the 16 lanes. Targets are well hidden in thick brush and between trees to force the soldier to first locate and then fire.

"We trim the stuff right in front of the targets, but most of the vegetation is left natural because that's all part of the program," Geer said.

The final difference on this range is that the soldiers can't get lucky hits. The targets are made out of a self healing plastic and will not go down unless penetrated, which means dirt flying from a low hit will not be powerful enough to knock the target over. Also, no mistakes will be made in scoring since the computer does all the tallying.

In order to prepare troops for this qualification range a practice range has been provided, but according to Geer most units don't take advantage of the facility because they don't have the time or ammunition allotment needed.

"I like this course, but then again I like shooting... It's very challenging and sitting your weapon beforehand is important



Ohio Army National Guard soldiers rally around the scoring table immediately after firing to receive their results. Since the range is computerized, it prints the number of hits for each soldier after every firing order.

if you want to do well on the course," Staff Sgt. Fritz E. Burkhart, 1485th Transportation Company said.

To qualify, the individual needs 23 out of 40 hits, sharpshooter is 29 to 35 hits and expert requires 36 to 40 hits. If time allows, the range will permit people to fire again until they qualify. Soldiers are given immediate feedback on their performance by signing the computer print out as they exit the firing line.

"The reason it's harder for most people is because there's no chance for mistakes in scoring," Geer said.



A 20-round magazine is slapped into the M16 by Spec. Halley A. Volzer, 1485th Transportation Company from Dover, during the first phase of qualifying from the foxhole position. She only has one minute and 30 seconds to complete this string of fire.

Lima Open House delights



Roger Reynolds (6) grins at a picture of his camouflaged face.

**Story and photos by Sgt. Lori King
196th Public Affairs Detachment**

LIMA—Nine-year-old Donte Jackson was breathing hard, catching his second wind after frantically dancing around with his brothers and sisters.

He was showing his moves for the video camera, hoping it might make some kind of television feature. After all, he considered himself quality entertainment, and Spec. Andy Allinson, 196th Public Affairs Detachment, was getting it all on film.

Donte's face, camouflaged that morning by an infantryman, reflected excitement because, he said, he had just fired 10 blank M16 rounds, held two other different kinds of military weapons and threw several mock grenades.

It was a big day for Donte. This was his first military open house, sponsored by

Lima's A Company, 1st Battalion, 1/148th Infantry, and it confirmed his decision to join the Army.

"Yes, I want to be in the Army someday," he said. "If there's a war, I will fight for my country."

When asked what he thought of the situation in Saudi Arabia, he said, "I hope the people on our side win so our country can stay the way it is, except for the gang violence and drugs. If we can't stop it everywhere, then at least we should stop it in Lima."

It's up to the people of Lima, a small urban city, to help make Donte's wishes of a gang and drug free city become a reality.

But what can be salvaged now, according to A Company's first sergeant, is Lima's local understrength infantry unit.

First Sgt. William Davis explained the open house, held in October on armory



Rose Becker receives some marksmanship instruction during the Lima Open House.

young and old alike

grounds, actually served two purposes; to strengthen community relations and recruit more good soldiers.

"It's good for the public to see the equipment we work with, instead of only getting a glimpse of it on TV," he said. "This way, they get hands-on experience. The participation today is good."

Davis admits there is no denying he is concerned with recruitment. He is hoping the open house will impress future guardmembers. He said the strength is down, but assured that it hasn't affected the troop's morale any.

"The whole idea of the open house is to gain public support," he explained. "I don't think the general community understands the total force concept, at least not until Desert Shield happened and reserve units were being called upon to support the effort.

Standing over the weapons display, Sgt. Edward Rogers watched the reactions to the different kinds of weapons.

"The adults ask a lot of questions about how they're fired, but the kids have the fun," Rogers said.

Rogers, who just transferred from a Kentucky National Guard unit, said the open house was his first in his eight years of service.

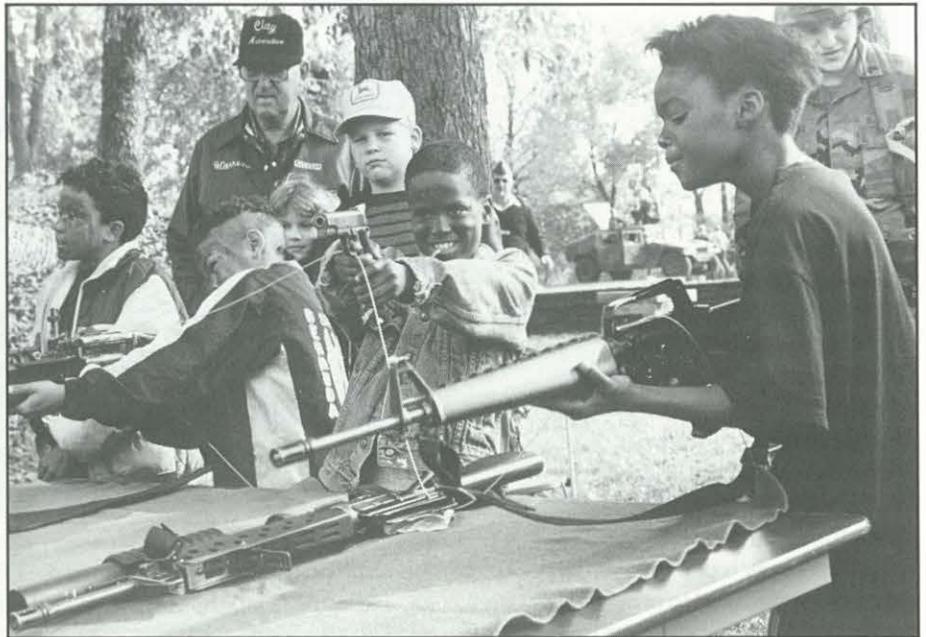
"I think the open house is good for the public to see what we actually do. It's especially good for the wives to come with their husbands and see what they do, which helps to make them more supportive."

One mother, after escorting her children around the military weapons all morning, said the open house idea is all new to her family.

"I think it's great," commented Vicky Glaze, of Lima. "The older one (seven-year-old Tyson) decided to go into the Army a couple of weeks ago, so we're out here checking out the guns. It's (open house) clinched his decision for him."

Rose Becker, another Lima resident, said she saw the open house announcement in the paper so she decided to check it out.

Becker, whose brother served on active



Children found the weapons display particularly inviting.

duty in the South Pacific in 1940, held an M16 rifle and fired a blank round at her target, a soldier dressed in MILES gear.

"It's really something," she kept saying. "I thought it'd be heavier than what it was."

The open house coordinator, Sgt. 1st Class Gary Chetwood, estimated about 3,000 people would walk through the grounds by closing time.

Chetwood, the Ohio marketing director, said he has coordinated five open houses in the last year, and was pleased with the cooperation he received from the city. Besides the free food and drinks from Rax Restaurant, which served 1,500 beef and cheddar sandwiches and passed out 2,500 cokes, and Cassano's Pizza, which handed out about 20 large pizzas, General Dynamics, who manufacture the M1 tanks, drove an M1 tank in for display and a neighboring artillery unit loaned a 105mm Howitzer.

"Open houses definitely build the awareness of a community and offer an ideal way of answering their questions about what the unit does," said Chetwood. "Even the spouses don't know what goes on during drills. This way, they come out here

and actually see it. They are amazed. They didn't know about the mortars and artillery. Many people think we're just here for floods and disasters."

Chetwood emphasized the advantage of open houses and advised units that do not hold them regularly to seriously consider them.

Units interested in conducting an open house should contact their area recruiters or Sgt. 1st Class Gary Chetwood at 1-800-282-7310.



Amanda Warren, 2½ years-old, investigates the flavor of a spent shell.

324th Military Police pull duty at 'the Point'

Story and photos by Spec. J.D. Biros
196th Public Affairs Detachment

WEST POINT, N.Y.—Members of the 324th Military Police Company can now boast they have gone to West Point...

Even if it was just for a weekend.

This past October, 102 soldiers from the 324th MP company spruced up their class A uniforms, packed their duffle bags, and made a stunning appearance at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York.

The four Ohio Guard platoons were selected upon request from the academy to support the West Point active duty MPs during the annual homecoming activities.

A reserve MP component is asked to assist the small unit of MPs for each home football game. The home games average almost 40,000 fans.

The company is one of three Ohio Guard MP units scheduled to provide assistance to the academy between 1991 and 1993.

Last year's Eisenhower Award winners,



Spec. Robert Wetstone (right) and Spec. Eric Altobelli on crowd control duty at the West Point—Lafayette football game.

the 324th MPs have performed duty in Alaska, Honduras, Japan, Germany and, of course, Grayling, Michigan.

This summer, 65 unit members were

called to state active duty to aid civilian authorities during the Shadyside flood disaster. The company patrolled the southern Ohio area for a 22-day period.

While at West Point, the MPs were up at 4 a.m. Saturday and took to the streets by 6 a.m. in preparation for an influx of Army football fans.

Twenty members donned their class A's to patrol the stadium during the crushing 56-0 Army victory over Lafayette College. They also functioned as crowd control for the parade featuring the traditional march of the Cadet Corps.

Through the course of the day, the MPs were rotated to different areas of the post and helped with crowd dispersement following the game.

On Sunday, the 324th soldiers received a tour of the post and military museum, before departing for Ohio.

Swaney said the weekend mission was very smooth because the company "pulled together to make it happen."

Story and photos by Spec. J.D. Biros
196th Public Affairs Detachment

COLUMBUS—She likes blood and guts, and she likes making people look bad.

Pfc. Julie Hall, a new member of Company C, 237th Support Battalion, Columbus, enjoys making people look their worst for mass casualty exercises.

"I'm really good at doing burns," she said. "Eye injuries are neat too. You can make them look really bad."

A mass casualty exercise involving the Girl Scouts and an emergency management agency office set a spark to a fire that would have Hall setting up gruesome, repulsive scenes for future drills. She's "mutilated" victims for hospitals, "ruptured" bones for the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency, and put bullet holes in National Guard members.

Her art is applying make-up, plastic pieces, and if necessary, food, to make the worst of a situation.

The irony of her interest in the ghastly happened after she joined the Guard.

Guardmember enjoys art of moulage



Pfc. Julie Hall works 'Moulage Magic' during preparation for a mass casualty drill.

The company was preparing for a day long exercise in medic skills which included mass casualty.

"I told them I had been doing moulage for years," she said.

On her first day, Hall was quickly drafted into putting her skills to work. She turned out neck injuries, lower throat obstructions, abrasions, burns, bullet wounds, fractures and dangling eyeballs.

Local students get taste of the Guard

Story and photos by Staff Sgt. Peg Hanley
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COLUMBUS—Seven guardmembers suppressed smiles and stood fast as they watched the ragged "troops" shift and sway during morning inspection.

Soon these troops would be under their tutelage. Despite harsh blowing winds and intermittent drizzle, they had to put Hotel Company through a mock Fielding Training Exercise (FTX). And this Herculean task had to be completed in six hours.

But first, these guardmembers from the 136th Field Artillery Battery, Columbus and Piqua, were asked to raise the flag for reveille. No problem. They stepped off smartly and executed their movements flawlessly.

As the somber color guard hoisted the flag upward, the makeshift troops stopped squirming and began to stand straight. They realized that these soldiers were serious and that they were no longer in the schoolhouse.

"Today, with the help of the Ohio National Guard, you will get a first-hand look at what the U.S. servicemembers stationed in the Middle East as part of Operation Desert Shield, face everyday," said Karen Zink, Hamilton Middle School teacher and commander of the student company dubbed "Hotel".

With the help of the Ohio Guard, the school grounds were transformed into a FTX site complete with obstacle courses, hands-on training stations, and several olive drab tents for use as first aid stations and field kitchens.

"Since school started we've talked about Operation Desert Shield in every class, and written letters to the sailors and soldiers in the Persian Gulf. Today, we get to be the troops," said eighth grader Stephany Barr.

For Barr and the other 100 members of Hotel Company the excitement of being a soldier began to wane when they were told they would march in an orderly fashion to each station and anyone out of step would be assigned to kitchen patrol (KP) or guard duty.



Students from Hamilton Middle School display their support for the soldiers involved in Operation DESERT SHIELD.

Despite their attempts to look like soldiers by wearing quasi-military gear and donning homemade dog tags and 'gas' masks, the students weren't quite ready for the paces the guardmembers would put them through.

They marched, low crawled through an obstacle course, performed calisthenics, called in artillery fire and practiced Nuclear, Biological, Chemical (NBC) training.

"Hotel Company" did well overall, but when they got to the NBC training site they made some serious mistakes," said Sgt. Paul Christian. "We didn't cut any slack. If they couldn't put their mask on in nine seconds, they were a no-go."

The one station that the student troops surprised the guardmembers at was the mess tent. Amazingly, the students preferred the MRE meal to the school lunch of hot dogs and chips.

In addition to learning about the military role in Desert Shield, students listened to a professor from The Ohio State University Department of Political Science and a representative from the Red Cross.

"At 1400 hours, I gave the orders to prepare for retreat and I had to pull students away from the stations that the guardmembers were instructing at," Zink said. "Our students had studied so much about the

military from a tactical point of view and today they learned that the most important part of soldiering is caring enough about your troops to train them and be responsive to their needs."

Retreat sounded at 1430 hours, and the same soldiers that raised the flag at reveille, retired the colors.

As the color guard folded the flag and Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the U.S.A." played, smiles and sways were replaced by tears and cheers.



The Color Guard from the 1/136 Field Artillery Battery retire the colors, ending the day for the students of 'Hotel' company.

Citizen-soldier honchos Shadyside relief drive

by Master Sgt. Jim Hall
196th Public Affairs Detachment

MIDDLETOWN—Jim Fetters was pulling a shift at Armco Steel Corporation in Middletown when the rains came to Belmont County, in eastern Ohio last spring.

In the next few days, Fetters would learn that on the night of June 14, the skies dumped a devastating five and a half inches of rain on the county and small town of Shadyside in less than two hours—rains that churned into deadly and destructive flooding—flooding that left Ohioans, a community, people in need.

Across the state in southwestern Butler County, Fetters was determined to extend a helping hand to do something for his fellow Ohioans.

Getting things done is an everyday part of Fetters' life. A former Marine and 15-year member of the Ohio Army National Guard, Fetters is a doer, a worker and a leader. He is also First Sgt. James Fetters, Company A, 372nd Engineer Battalion (Combat), Ohio Army National Guard.

The year before the Shadyside flooding, Fetters had witnessed the aftermath of flooding in Camden, near his Preble County home.

"It wasn't a flood of the magnitude of Shadyside, but I saw how it impacted people," Fetters said. "When I heard and saw the effects of the Shadyside flood, this year, I felt that being part of this community and

part of the state of Ohio, with the assets that we have, that we could put something together to help those who were less fortunate."

On the Fourth of July, while enjoying the holiday at home with his family and anticipating the arrival of his oldest daughter and new grandson, Fetters began thinking of those who were less fortunate than he.

"I was thinking about the victims of Shadyside, and, being thankful for what I have, I felt I needed to do something."

On July 5, Fetters went to work. He went to the Armory to discuss his plan with the full-time staff at the company and then started phoning others whom he thought could help. By the time he was finished, he'd gained the support of Armco Steel Corp.; McGraw Construction Co.; the Middletown Journal newspaper; various veterans organizations; Akers Packaging Co.; Dillman, Kroger and IGA food stores; the Armco Employees Independent Federation (AEIF); and TCI Cable Vision.

Fetters' goal was to collect enough furniture and can goods to fill a semi-trailer and take it to the Disaster Relief Warehouse in Shadyside for distribution to local citizens.

Within days of putting the plan into motion, other members of Company A were helping out. Sgt. Greg Lawson volunteered to have Shadyside Relief Drive posters printed and donated them to the effort. The target dates for collection of relief items was set for July 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. "till whenever" at the South Main Street Armory in Middletown.

The full-time staff at the company, Sgt. 1st Class David Delgrosso, Staff Sgt. Douglas Tangeman and Sgt. Craig Herald, worked on various aspects of the drive. Others, such as Specialists Robert Blackburn and Shawn Neumeier, and Pfc. Jeffery Bowlin, volunteered countless hours to the success of the relief drive.

In the community, the Middletown Journal ran an information article about the drive and TCI Cable Vision advertised the drive on their televised community bulletin board. Additionally, Armco and AEIF ran an information recording on the telephone access systems; McGraw Construction Co. provided a 40-foot trailer to haul the do-

nated items; Akers Packaging supplied boxes; and the grocery stores and veterans organizations made donations. The AEIF also donated \$200 to pay for fuel for the trip to and from Shadyside.

In the end though, it was the people of Butler, Warren and Preble Counties that made the relief drive a success. When the time came to collect the relief drive items, they donated sofas, tables, beds, chairs, lamps, can goods and many other needed items.

On Sunday, July 15, Fetters and Blackburn made the 12-hour journey to and from Shadyside to deliver the relief items to the disaster relief center.

Later, recounting the success of the drive Fetters said, "I'm proud to be a member of this community. And I'm proud to be a member of the 'Guard, an organization that helps so many people year after year. I believe, working together on projects like the Shadyside Relief Drive makes the 'Guard a better organization. You can see something constructive that you have done for the common everyday man. Yes, the big picture is to defend the country, and yes, you have to learn to survive in combat. But you can take the leadership, teamwork and other traits that you learn, and you can do things that help the lives of other people."

Such efforts also have a dramatic impact on 'Guard and community relationships as well, according to Fetters.

"Sure you get publicity when you reach out to help people in your community or state, as we did at Shadyside. But, more than that, people can see what the 'Guard can do for people. They know our role is to defend our country when called to do so, but people can also see the assets and capabilities of the Ohio Army National Guard of being able to help on the local home front.

"One of the greatest benefits of being in the Ohio National Guard is the two-fold mission of state assistance and national defense. You're not limited to only your federal mission. You're also able to be there to help your brothers and sisters throughout the state when they need help.

"As citizen-soldiers of the Ohio Army National Guard, I don't think anyone is

better prepared to help the people of Ohio better than we can. Our soldiers have a commitment to the community and the state, as well as to the country. The soldiers in my unit and our area exemplify the saying, 'Citizen, Soldier, Patriot!'"

There are a lot of Jim Fetters in the Ohio National Guard. They're Ohio citizen-soldiers serving in armories and communities throughout the state; serving whenever and wherever they're needed.

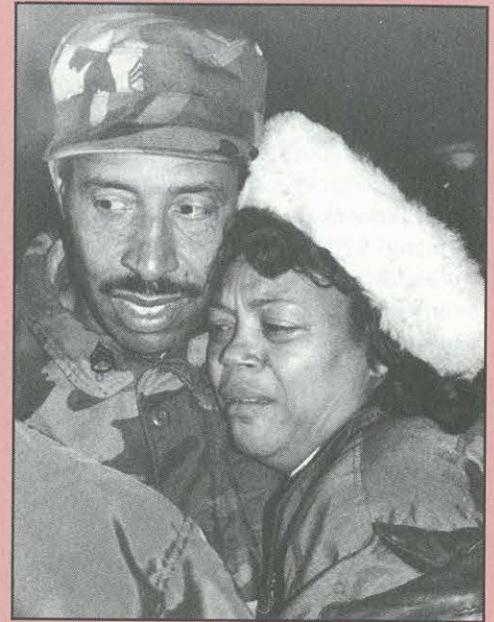
Postscript: The trip to Shadyside on the 15th wouldn't be the last for the soldiers of Company A, and it wouldn't be the last time they delivered relief items.

Company A and Company C (located in Lebanon) were diverted to federal disaster relief duty in Belmont County in lieu of annual training. From July 21 through August 4, Company A got a first hand look at the awesome extent of damage caused by the flooding as they removed hundreds of loads of debris from the disaster area in 5-ton, dump trucks.

On the return trip to Shadyside they also delivered numerous relief items that had been donated following the initial Shadyside Relief Drive.



Staff Sgt. Douglas Tangeman, foreground, and First Sergeant James Fetters load a sofa onto a trailer during the Shadyside Relief Drive.



Early on November 23, the 1486th Transportation Company was sent northwest to Fort McCoy, Wisconsin. Their families and friends, saddened by their departure, bid them farewell in Operation DESERT SHIELD.

To date (November 29) the Ohio National Guard is still on DESERT SHIELD and another placed on alert for possible deployment. The men and women of the 1486th Transportation Company, Eaton and Piqua; the Quartermaster Detachment; and the 323rd Military Police Battalion will return.





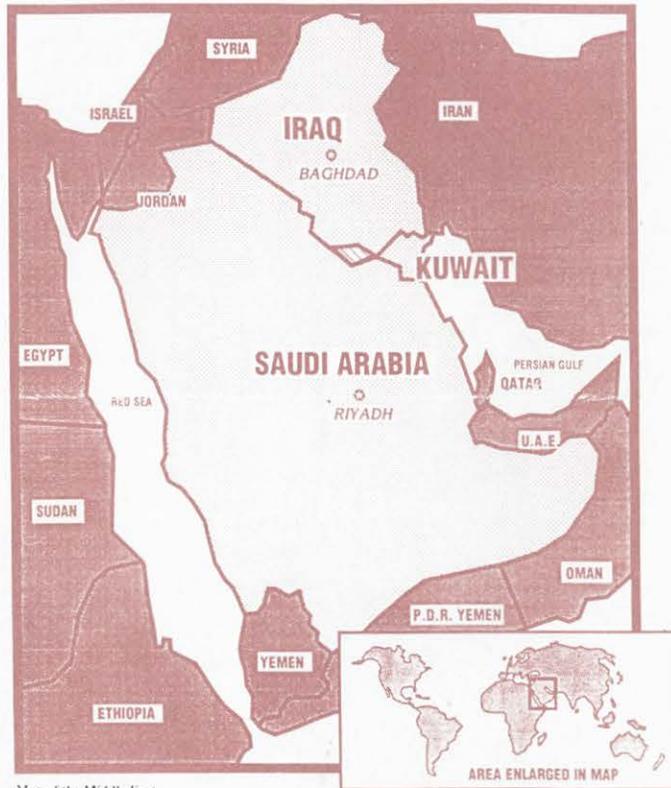
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itary Police Company a safe deployment and a quick

Photos by Sgt. Lori King
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Country Study: Iraq, Saudi Arabia



Map of the Middle East

Country Study: Iraq

General Data

Area: 167,970 square miles; 13% arable, 9% meadows and pastures, 3% forest and woodlands, 75% other.

Population: 18,073,963 (July 1989); annual growth rate 3.8%. The population is 75-80% Arab, 15-20% Kurdish, 5% Assyrians, Turkomans or other.

Religions: 97% Muslim, 3% Christian or other.

Languages: Arabic, Kurdish (official in Kurdish regions), Assyrian, Armenian.

Literacy rate: About 55%.

Government

Long-form or legal name: Republic of Iraq.
Type of government: Republic.

Administrative Divisions: 18 provinces.
Legal System: Based on Islamic law in special religious courts, elsewhere civil law system.

Branches of government: Ba'ath Party of Iraq has been in power since 1968 coup; unicameral legislature (National Assembly)

Member of: UN, Arab League, OPEC, OIAPEC, and others.

Economy

GDP: \$34 billion, \$1,950 per capita.
Budget: Revenues, \$20 billion; expenditures, \$18.6 billion (1987)

Defense

Total active manpower: 1,000,000, plus 450,000 reserves in the People's Militia.
Paramilitary forces: 4,800 security troops, border guard force. The 450,000 strong People's Militia is no longer regarded as an independent para-military force; it is now the army reserve.

Available manpower: 3,930,000; 2,193,000 fit for military service.

Conscription: 24 months (extended for duration of the war, apparently not back yet to normal duration).

Defense budget: No reliable figure is available for recent years.

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

General Data

Area: 830,230 square miles; 1% arable, 39% meadows and pastures, 1% forested, 59% desert, waste or urban.

Population: 16,108,539 (July 1989); annual growth rate 4.0%. The population is 90% Arab, 10% Afro-Asian.

Religion: 100% Muslim.

Language: Arabic.

Literacy rate: 52%

Government

Long-form or legal name: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Type of government: Traditional monarchy. Administrative divisions: 14 emirates.
Legal system: Based on Islamic Law, although several secular codes have been introduced; commercial disputes handled by special committees.

Branches of government: The King rules in consultation with the royal family and the Council of Ministers.

Member of: UN, Arab League, Gulf Cooperation Council, OPEC, OIAPEC, IAEA, IACO and others.

Economy

GDP: \$74 billion, \$5,480 per capita.

Budget: Appropriations, \$24.0 billion; expenditures, \$37.9 billion (1989 est.).

Defense

Total active manpower: Over 72,000 (expansion to 250,000 planned). Para-military forces: 50,000 National Guard; 8,500 Frontier Forces; 6,000 Coast Guard; Special Security Force (counter-terrorism) being formed with German assistance.

The National Guard, which comes under the Ministry of Interior, acts as the King's personal Garde du Corps. The service is constantly being expanded and improved. Available manpower: 5,985,000; 3,358,000 fit for military service.

Conscription: None, all-volunteer forces. Legislation authorizing conscription exists. Defense budget: \$17.7 billion (1988), 36% of overall budget.

NGB provides answers to Desert Shield questions

In August, the National Guard Bureau compiled a list of pertinent questions and answers about National Guard and Reserve participation in Operation DESERT SHIELD. This is a condensed version of the original list. Individual questions about benefits or family support activities should be referred to the service member's unit or the Family Assistance Center at (toll-free) 1-800-282-7310 or (commercial) (614) 793-3007.

Q1. What is the status of National Guard personnel who have volunteered for active duty to assist in Operation Desert Shield?

A1. These personnel were ordered to active duty under the provision of **Title 10 Section 672d**. This statute requires that the individual volunteer and the respective Governor concur in order to be ordered to active duty. The member is on active duty for the period that he agreed to serve. In all cases the period was for a minimum of 31 days.

Q2. What is a 200K call up?

A2. The President has the authority to invoke the provisions of **Section 673b of Title 10** of the United States code to order, without congressional approval, up to 200,000 members of the National Guard and Reserves to active duty for a period of ninety (90) days. The term of service may be extended for an additional ninety (90) days. The provisions of this section of law may not be invoked for the purpose of training or for domestic events such as quelling domestic civil unrest.

Q3. Who is authorized to order this call up?

A3. The President. He may delegate the execution of the order to the Secretary of Defense.

Q4. Must Congress approve this call up?

A4. No prior Congressional approval is required. However, the President must report in writing to Congress within 24 hours after the implementation of the call up on the circumstances necessitating the action and the anticipated use of the units or personnel.

Q5. Is the Governor's consent required to call up his state's National Guard?

A5. No. Units and personnel federalized under the provisions of **10 USSC 673b** do not require Gubernatorial concurrence or approval.

Q6. What rights and benefits are these National Guard personnel entitled to?

A6. These personnel have the exact same personnel and family member benefits as an active duty soldier or airman... Commissary, PX, medical, recreational facilities, etc.

Q7. What rights and benefits do the volunteers' family members have?

A7. They enjoy the same benefits as the family members of an active component member.

Q8. How will this federalization effect the civilian jobs of the Guard members? Can they be fired?

A8. A Guardsmen who volunteers for federal active duty under the provisions of **10 USC 672 b or d** (voluntary) and individuals federalized under the provisions of **10 USC 673b** (involuntary) are entitled to return to civilian employment after release from active duty if the following conditions are met. He or she cannot be fired for going on active duty.

a. The civilian job must be "other than temporary."

b. Departure from the civilian job must be with the purpose of going on active duty.

c. Active duty must not last more than four years, unless the period beyond four years was attributable to the fact that the Guardsman was unable to obtain orders for relief from active duty.

d. Release from active duty must be "under honorable conditions."

e. Application for re-employment must be made within 90 days after separation from active duty.

Q9. How were the units selected?

A9. Units were selected based on the specific military needs. Some were selected based on their CAPSTONE alignment—their "gaining command." Others were selected because they provided specific military skills or capabilities needed by the active forces. Obviously, all were screened closely to insure that the unit was "combat ready"—prepared and capable of performing its mission.

Q10. What will happen to National Guard personnel who fail or refuse to respond to the call.

A10. They will be processed in accordance with the military judicial system.

Q11. What happens if a National Guard member gets fired or disciplined in his or her civilian job as a result of this call up?

A11. It is illegal to fire or discipline an employee for responding to a federal order to active duty, so long as the employee has met the provisions stated in answer 12, above. We do not anticipate any such incidents in the State of Ohio. However, should an employee face such problems he or she can contact the state or National Committee for Employer support of the Guard and Reserve to seek resolution.

Gaining the Competitive Edge

Air Guard Gunnery Meet Hones Combat Skills

**Story and photos by Capt. Jim Boling
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Fly, Fight and Win! That's the bottom line for every pilot who straps on a tactical fighter. The mission seems simple enough, being competent at it is not.

Flying tactical fighters is, by consensus, an inherently dangerous business open only to a select few. The aviators who are chosen must have cat-quick reflexes, the eyes of an eagle and the heart of a lion. In short, they must have an attitude of invincibility.

An unusually high degree of skill is necessary simply to control the high-performance weapons systems used in today's air-to-air and air-to-ground spheres of combat. To be successful in accomplishing the mission, the pilot must gain the necessary proficiency in making the aircraft an extension of himself. His response to a threat must immediately correspond to an evasive maneuver. His ingenuity in penetrating enemy defenses to destroy a target must be translated instantaneously to the flight controls of the fighter. Couple these factors with the complexities of a routine attack mission and you will gain a new respect for the fighter pilot community.

For Ohio's three tactical fighter units, the "typical" mission is often complicated and long, bringing to bear all the skills the pilot must master to become a qualified member of the air-to-ground fraternity. Flying the A-7D Corsair II attack fighter/bomber, an all weather aircraft ideally suited for its close-air-support mission, Ohio Air National Guard pilots are widely esteemed for their expertise in "putting the iron on the target" under the most difficult of conditions.

Consider the "typical" mission scenario: A strike package of four A-7Ds are tasked to destroy an enemy radar site located 400 nautical miles from their forward operating area. The mission commander assigns pre-strike and post-strike refueling coordinates, checks intelligence to locate possible enemy threats and plan the best ingress and egress routing, target attack tactics and package formations. He also determines what speed and altitudes to fly and what the communications plan will be. Following pre-flight checks of the aircraft, arming of the weapons and loading computer navigation data, the strike package proceeds to meet the adversary.

For each pilot to be successful, he must refuel without incident or he won't have enough fuel to return; he must safely and effectively fly at high speeds at very low levels to get into and out of the target area; he must accurately put his bombs on the target on the first pass, and he may, but hopefully not, have to use his air-to-air combat skills to protect himself from enemy aircraft standing in his way. All these tasks must be accomplished with split-second timing, usually a margin of plus or minus two seconds.

Although this scenario may be anything but "typical" to the lay observer, it's part of the Ohio Air National Guard's fighter squadrons' weekly agenda. With units in Columbus (121st Tactical Fighter Wing), Springfield (178th Tactical Fighter Group), and Toledo (180th Tactical Fighter Group), the nation's largest contingent of Guard-assigned tactical fighters trains continually for that day when "scenarios" become "tasking orders."

With the inception of the Total Force Policy and such demanding missions upon receipt of the A-7D in the early '70s, the Headquarters staff of the Air Guard searched for a method of honing Ohio's combat capability and readiness through spirited competition among its fighter units. In 1973, a call to arms reminiscent of the Days of King Arthur brought the units together to joust for the titles of "Top Gun" and "Top Team." Held in the autumn of each year, the event is dubbed "Ohio Turkey Shoot," more for its proximity to the Thanksgiving holiday than the slate of events. An outside unit from another state, the proverbial "black knight," is invited on occasion to test its mettle against Ohio's best.

Ground rules for the event are designed to promote and test combat skills with squadrons tasked for missions based on unit strength and number of aircraft. All units fly competition sorties from home station to the Jefferson Proving Grounds (JPG) bombing range in Indiana. Navigation check points and times on target are adjusted according to distances flown.

Competition sorties depart home station in flights of either three or four aircraft for a high-low-high profile to the JPG and return. Each sortie consists of a timed low-level navigation and target area entry for a low-level First Run Attack (FRA), delivery of one 30 degree conventional dive bomb, one low angle low drag bomb and one low angle bomb from a tactical pop-up pattern, two level bombs and two low angle strafe runs from a conventional pattern.

Immediately after crossing the range boundary each aircraft descends to 500 feet above ground level (AGL) to simulate inclement weather and remain below the target's threat capabilities. Low level ingresses to the target often contain several radar missile and/or anti-aircraft gunnery threats.

The First Run Attack simulates a tactical rocket bomb delivery. Any low-level or toss delivery is acceptable, however, the aircraft may not pop above 500' AGL or descend below the minimum release altitude following delivery. Penalty points are assessed for flying outside established parameters and no re-attacks are allowed.

After each pilot has completed the FRA, he climbs to orbiting altitude in preparation for the 30 degree dive bomb. One-by-one, the flights pummel the designated target and line up for the next delivery pass. With each delivery enemy threats increase, forcing pilots to minimize exposure in the target area to no more than 30 seconds and utilization of self-protection



Air Guard maintenance personnel give a 'fine-tuning' to an A-7D Corsair in preparation for a competition sortie.

measures such as dispensing chaff and flares to ward off heat-seeking missiles.

Scoring is computed according to acceptable standards of delivery outlined in Air Force bombing manuals. Bombs placed in the "destruct" zone around the target are scored on a scale of 0-500, with 500 being a "shack" or direct hit. Deliveries equal to the Air Force standard or worse receive no points. The FRA includes a possible 200 additional points for meeting each navigation-timing checkpoint, and pilots can accumulate up to 1000 points on the two strafe runs firing the A-7D's M1A1 20 millimeter Vulcan cannon. A perfect run is worth 6000 points. A total score is computed for each competing pilot. Individual pilot scores for each unit are totalled, then divided by the unit's tasking to determine the average. Highest individual score is awarded "Top Gun" honors and the highest average score determines the "Top Team." Winners take home the most coveted awards in the state, in addition to bragging rights, until the next year's competition.

Despite the obvious training benefits, the Turkey Shoot promotes the type of intangibles necessary to complete combat readiness. Colonel Tom Powers, Ohio Air Guard director of operations and meet organizer, outlines the competition this way:

"The Ohio Turkey Shoot is a great indicator of our units' total combat readiness. The competition tasking requires participation by 75% of the aircrews using 60% of the units' aircraft. It takes an entire unit to put that bomb on the target when it needs to be there. Maintenance, avionics, weapons load, teamwork gets the job done. Teamwork and esprit de corps is the key! These people really get excited about this competition and it carries over throughout the rest of the year."

The Turkey Shoot has been instrumental in cementing Ohio's reputation as "fighter territory" in the Total Air Force. The three Ohio units have demonstrated their combat capabilities in

exercises and competitions around the world since the meet began.

In 1983, the 121st TFW, 178th and 180th Tactical Fighter Groups deployed as a unit to the United Kingdom for Operation CORONET CASTLE. Twenty-four fully armed Corsairs took off for RAF Sculthorpe via Goose Bay, Newfoundland and Keflavik, Iceland, becoming the first fighter unit to island hop the Atlantic in more than a decade. The A-7s arrived in theater in 36 hours despite less than ideal weather conditions. The wing's idea was to re-evaluate the concept of island hopping in an age when almost total reliance is placed on aerial refueling. They felt the projection of U.S. fighter forces should not be tanker dependent.

This professional demonstration of initiative garnered the praise of the commanders of Tactical Air Command, U.S. Air Forces Europe and Ninth Air Force. It became a model for other overseas fighter deployments and was followed by successful F-111 and F-16 trans-atlantic crossings.

In 1984, the 121st TFW became the first Air National Guard unit to undergo an Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI) using United States Central Command (USCENTCOM) taskings. The unit flew sorties on ten low-level routes through swarms of "enemy" aircraft to eight different weapons ranges in addition to being subjected to full-scale ability-to-survive ground threats. In the mobility phase, the unit was tasked to mobilize 700,000 pounds of cargo and 426 personnel in 16 hours. In a precedent-setting performance, the wing received 10 Outstanding and 40 Excellent ratings throughout the inspection.

The 121st TFW, which has dominated the Turkey Shoot competition, winning 13 times out of 17 events, was also the first Air National Guard unit to undergo a dual unit USCENTCOM ORI, teaming up with its sister unit in New Mexico in 1987. Utilizing 48 aircraft, the units were forced to fight the "war" in a full chemical environment under similar taskings as the '84 ORI. Each unit

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received a well-earned Excellent on the overall inspection.

The 121st TFW has also earned the right to represent Ninth Air Force in GUN-SMOKE, Tactical Air Command's worldwide fighter gunnery meet, in 1981, '83 and '87. Flying against the Air Force elite, the wing won the A-7 category twice, with the unit's maintenance personnel taking the world championship in 1983.

All of Ohio's fighter units participated in the Air National Guard's annual rotation to Panama to support operation CORONET COVE from 1979-89. CORONET COVE provided valuable aircrew familiarization training in the southern hemisphere and tactical fighter support to the Commander, U.S. Southern Command. Ohio's combat readiness was never more evident when, during a routine deployment by the 180th TFG in December 1989, the unit was called to arms in support of the U.S. military action to capture Gen. Manuel Noriega and restore the lawfully elected government of Panama. The aircrews of the 180th dispensed conventional ordnance in support of U.S. inva-

sion forces with extreme accuracy. Unit members were awarded the Panama Expeditionary Medal for their involvement. Lt. Col. Charlie Vaughn, deployment commander, described the unit's first taste of combat:

"When the call came, the unit responded like clockwork, everyone working together... it was all business. On the first go, the heart beat a little faster, the adrenalin was flowing. After the first few minutes, it seemed easier than the type of training we normally do."

In these dangerous and unstable times, with the spectre of military action looming in the Middle East, combat readiness has taken on new meaning for the Air National Guard. Ohio's intra-state competi-

tiveness in Turkey Shoot competition has prepared it well. Brig. Gen. Ray Moorman, Ohio Air Guard chief of staff, believes the 121st, 178th, and 180th are ready for any contingency, anywhere in the world, as a result of the demanding training the units place on themselves in addition to meeting Total Force commitments.

"I am extremely proud of the record of our fighter units. We've earned our place on the first team by performing above and beyond every task that's been handed to us. I'd put our pilots and support personnel up against any air force in the world. We've proven we can fly, fight and win... under any conditions, because we've got the competitive edge."



An A-7 pilot pulls into the "pits" after a bombing run at Jefferson Proving Grounds.

Cheney, Powell testify on Desert Shield

By SFC Linda Lee, USA
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Operation Desert Shield's current success in the Persian Gulf can be traced to multinational military cooperation and trust between countries, according to Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney.

Appearing before the Senate Armed Services Committee in September, Cheney told of his meeting with Saudi Arabia's King Fahd four days following the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait on Aug. 2. The two discussed the Iraqi threat and the options available to counter the danger.

"In our discussion, King Fahd talked about his personal respect for President (George) Bush and great trust in the United States. He spoke of his faith in our commitment to help defend his country, to stay until the job was done," said Cheney, "and when the job was done, and we were asked to leave, in fact, to leave."

The next day, Bush ordered U.S. forces to the Persian Gulf to protect American interests, help deter further Iraqi aggression and assist in the defense of Saudi Arabia.

"The United States is not alone in this important mission," said Cheney. "At the invitation of the governments of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, military forces from 25 other countries are participating in the land-based Desert Shield operation and maritime enforcement of the United Nations-directed economic sanctions."

Speaking to the committee with Cheney, Army Gen. Colin Powell added, "This multinational force will be capable of a successful defense if Iraqi forces invade Saudi Arabia. It will also have the capability to respond should Iraqi forces invade any other nation in the area."

Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, explained the U.S. forces in the gulf area are part of a "command arrangement that has established an effective coalition of Arab and Western forces. These forces are organized along national lines with national forces being assigned separate areas of operations."

The U.S. forces in Operation Desert Shield are organized as a joint force under the operational control of the U.S. Central Command. Coordinating the U.S. forces and work-

ing with the allied forces in the area is the mission of Army Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, who heads the command.

"U.S. investment in forces and equipment capable of deploying quickly to any part of the world has paid off. The movement of U.S. forces to Saudi Arabia and surrounding gulf coast countries is the largest rapid deployment of U.S. forces since World War II," Powell said.

"We moved more forces and equipment in the first three weeks of Desert Shield than we moved during the first three months of the Korean War," he said.

Host nation support by Saudi Arabia and other Persian Gulf states has been outstanding, said Powell. This includes water for the allied forces, bed-down locations, heavy equipment transport and unprecedented use of port and air facilities.

Some units that moved to the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield are Reserve and National Guard forces. Reserve component forces are also filling many positions left vacant when U.S.-based active forces have deployed. On Aug. 23, the president invoked the first involuntary call-up of these forces under the 1973 Total Force Policy.

"This augmentation of the active armed forces provides us with the capability to perform certain critical military activities. The Reserves and National Guard are an integral part of our armed forces," said Powell. Jobs Reserve and Guard forces are handling include port security, cargo handling, medical support, strategic airlift and tactical reconnaissance requirements.

"We are all aware of the personal sacrifices being made by the reservists being called up," said Powell. "I assure you that we will only call those we need, and will retain them for only the period of service that is absolutely necessary to accomplish the mission."

One question constantly being asked is when U.S. forces will return home, he said.

"I cannot give a definitive answer. We were invited by the Saudi Arabian government to help defend the kingdom, as were other nations, and we will be present as long as it takes to achieve our mutual objectives," said Cheney. "When that is done or when Saudi Arabia asks, we will leave."

37th Division monument dedicated at Camp Shelby

Story and photo by Sgt. Andy Miller
102nd Public Affairs Detachment

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—A monument honoring the “memory of those fine officers and enlisted men within the 37th Infantry Division who gave their last full measure of devotion for God and country during World War II” was dedicated Sunday, Oct. 14, during ceremonies at Camp Shelby.

The dedication commemorated the 50th anniversary of the induction of the Ohio Army National Guard’s famed “Buckeye Division” into active service Oct. 15, 1940. Five days later, the division launched 16 months of training at this south Mississippi military site prior to overseas deployment.

Col. Garland Boleware of the Mississippi Army National Guard, Camp Shelby facility commander, made opening remarks at the ceremony and introduced the featured speaker, division veteran William Chaney, prior to an unveiling of the monument. Rossiter J. Chappelare, president of the 37th Division Veteran Association, also participated in the ceremony.



UNIT HISTORY—Buckeye Division veteran William Chaney provides a history of the 37th Infantry (Buckeye) Division, which participated in the North Solomon Islands and Luzon campaigns of World War II.

While assigned at Camp Shelby under the U.S. Army 5th Corps, the Ohioans participated in training maneuvers in neighboring Louisiana. The division underwent additional training at Indiantown Gap, Pa.,

and at San Francisco prior to overseas deployment to the Fiji Islands in the Pacific in May of 1942.

During the war, the 37th Buckeyes saw action in the North Solomon Islands and Luzon campaigns. They are known as the “Heroes of Hill 700,” a crucial plot of contested ground during the second battle of Bougainville, when the Japanese 6th Division attempted to push the Americans into the sea.

In providing a unit history, Chaney said the Ohio division suffered 10,070 casualties during the war—including 1,834 killed in action; 8,218 wounded; and 18 missing. He said the Buckeyes were credited with killing 33,580 Japanese soldiers and capturing 2,180. After V-J Day, he said, some 15,351 Japanese surrendered to the division.

Among individual heroes of the Buckeye Division were Pvt. Rodger Young of Clyde, Ohio, given a special tribute during the Camp Shelby ceremony, and Pfc. Frank J. Etrarca of Cleveland, Ohio. The ceremony ended with “Taps” played by a bugler, then a benediction.

Family Assistance Center opens at Beightler Armory

by Sgt. Nancy Dragani
State Public Affairs

The Ohio National Guard established a Family Assistance Center for Reserve and Active duty family members recently. The center, located at room 207, West Wing, Beightler Armory, is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The center provides information and referral services to family members of mobilized or deployed service personnel.

Specific services the center provides are CHAMPUS assistance, legal assistance, Army Emergency Relief information and assistance, chaplain assistance, re-employment rights, identification card issue and DEERS verification and enrollment.

Proper enrollment in DEERS, the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System and a current DD Form 1172 are areas service members need to be sure are correct, said Capt. Barb Terry, Family Support Coordinator.

“If a family member isn’t loaded into DEERS, he or she is not eligible for CHAMPUS benefits, and can not get treated at military medical facilities,” Terry said.

“However,” Terry continued, “If a service member is mobilized, that card, a set of orders and enrollment in DEERS will get that soldiers’ family members all the benefits they’re entitled to.”

Anytime there is a change in family member information, it should be immediately reported to the service members’ unit and a new DD Form 1172 should be filled out.

There is a greater emphasis on family mobilization plans in light of the recent events in the middle east.

What it boils down to, Terry said, is taking control of your personal mobilization plans.

She suggested some action soldiers can take now to make a possible mobilization easier on everyone.

- Get legal affairs in order. Know who and what kinds of Powers of Attorney are

needed; have a current will prepared; and check insurance plans for correct beneficiaries.

- Know where important documents and papers are kept.
- Have a viable plan for guardianship of dependent children.

The most important preparation for soldiers to do, said Terry, is be informed about benefits eligible to them and their family.

For more information about the Family Assistance Center, call (toll-free) 1-800-282-7310 or (commercial) (614) 793-3007.



ONGA requests Hall of Fame Nominations



Once again, nominations are solicited for the Hall of Fame and Distinguished Service Awards. Selected persons will be honored at the 1990 ONGA Conference.

Hall of Fame

1. Officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel who have served in the Ohio National Guard are eligible.

2. A person shall become eligible for nominations three years after retirement from the Armed Services, or three years after death, whichever comes first. A member of the Ohio National Guard who is awarded the Medal of Honor while serving in a National Guard status or on extended active duty from the Ohio National Guard may be inducted into the Hall of Fame at any time.

3. Nominations for the Hall of Fame shall cover the entire military and civilian service of the nominee.

4. The standard of service rendered and recognition among peers achieved which would justify selection must have been above and beyond that normally considered as outstanding or exemplary.

Sustaining exceptional performance of all duties, the institution of innovative programs which were unique to their time frame, the enhancement of the combat effectiveness of the Ohio National Guard and the enhancement of public support of the Guard are types of service to be considered. Decorations and awards of the United States and the state of Ohio should be included in the statement of service. No person should be nominated or selected solely because that person compares favorably with one or more previous inductees.

Distinguished Service Award

Criteria for Distinguished Service Awards are as follows:

1. Any person, military or civilian, is eligible.

2. A person is eligible for nomination at any time.

3. This award may be given for a single act or for performance over an extended period of time.

4. a. An individual must have accomplished an outstanding achievement on behalf of the Ohio National Guard.

b. Outstanding performance by the individual must have been such as to clearly identify the person as having played a key role in the accomplishment for which the award is to be given. Superior performance of duties normal to the grade, branch, specialty, or assignment experience of an individual are not considered adequate basis.

c. Although a single accomplishment may be deemed qualification for this award if it is of sufficient significance and character, particular consideration should be given to those individuals who have contributed outstanding service on a sustained basis. Personal dedication and self sacrifice may be regarded as factors deserving consideration.

d. Civilians who assist the Ohio National Guard by their actions and support may be considered for this award.

Nominations

The proposed citation should not exceed 800 words for the Hall of Fame and 500 words for the Distinguished Service Award. The language used should be such as will be readily understood by the news media and the general public. Acronyms and military jargon are to be avoided. Citations used in connection with the awards previously made to the nominee may be quoted. The full text of these and other supporting documents may be attached for the consideration of the Awards Committee. A suggested

outline follows:

1. Date and place of birth.
2. Date and circumstance into military service.
3. Chronological listing of career high-points to include:
 - duty assignments
 - promotions
 - noteworthy actions or accomplishments
 - excerpts from previous citations
4. Conclusion

Award of Merit

Over the past year the Awards Committee has received a number of award nominees who have made a contribution which did not meet the criteria for the present awards but whose contribution has been such as to merit the recognition of this Association.

Upon the recommendation of the Awards Committee, the Board of Officers and Trustees of the Association approved a third award called the Ohio National Guard Association Award of Merit.

Personnel considered for this award would be those who have made a contribution which did not meet the criteria for the present awards, but whose contribution has deserved recognition.

This award is to be based on such areas as leadership, longevity, a meritorious act or deed, a project or activity which has contributed significantly to the benefit of the Ohio National Guard, military service performed at a level above the norm, or to an individual who has served the Ohio National Guard Association over and above what is reasonably expected from the member.

Anyone may submit nominations for the awards. Nominations along with proposed award citation text and a synopsis (brief summary) of no more than two pages should be submitted to The Ohio National Guard Association, ATTN: Awards Committee, 577 West Second Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Deadline for the submission is March 1, 1991.

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OMR Commander dies unexpectedly



Maj. Gen. Lambros

COLUMBUS—It is with regret that we report the death of Maj. Gen. C.D. (Gus) Lambros, Commander of the Ohio Military Reserve. Maj. Gen. Lambros died unexpectedly on August 30. He was 63 years old.

Lambros graduated from West Virginia University and received a law degree from Cleveland Marshall Law School in 1950.

He was assigned as a Coast Guardsman to the patrol frigate U.S.S. Lorain during World War II. The ship's wartime mission was to pursue submarines in the North Atlantic.

Lambros obtained a Naval commission after the war. He switched to the Army during the Korean War, serving with the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

After serving in the Judge Advocate General's Corps in the Army Reserve, Lambros retired as a colonel in 1980. In 1983, Gov. Richard F. Celeste appointed him commander of the Ohio Military Reserve with the rank of brigadier general. The reserve has about 700 unpaid officers and enlisted soldiers.

Lambros was promoted to major general four years ago.

NCO's quick action saves life

by Spec. Tim Hardgrove
HQ STARC (-Det 1-5)

COLUMBUS—When Master Sgt. Richard Evans left home to perform drill last April, he thought he'd be doing his normal duties as the Non-Commissioned Officer in charge of the Ohio National Guard's Small Arms Readiness Team (SART). He had no idea what was in store for him that day.

Evans and Maj. Ralph Reed had stopped for breakfast in a Port Clinton restaurant. While there, Evans noticed a gentleman across the room acting peculiarly. The man stood up and grabbed his throat. From his past emergency medical training, Evans realized the man was having a 'cafe coronary'. Evans instructed Reed to call 911 and immediately put his training into action.

First Evans asked the victim if he was choking. When the victim nodded "yes", Evans performed the Heimlich maneuver. He instructed a bystander to sweep his finger through the victim's mouth, and just as the victim lost consciousness, a piece of food fell from his mouth. Suddenly the man went into convulsions. One of his companions revealed the victim was epileptic and 911 was called again.

A nearby Emergency Medical Technician heard the call and responded. Once on the scene, the EMT took charge of the situation, relieving Evans of responsibility.

As they were leaving the restaurant, the man's companions approached Evans, telling him they had planned to go fishing that day.

"If that would have happened while we were fishing, he surely would have died," one said.

For most people, saving a life would be the thrill of a lifetime. But this was not the first time for Evans.

While in Vietnam, Evans risked his life to save a soldier trapped in a plane crash. The individual was lying in a pool of aircraft fuel when Evans rescued him.

For his valor, Evans received the Soldier's Medal, the highest military award given for a non-combat situation.

From 1978 to 1984, Evans worked as a paramedic in Florida, West Virginia and Ohio. He now serves with the Minerva Park Fire Department in Columbus, as a firefighter and an EMT.

"I've taught over 1,000 people CPR, but never had to actually apply the Heimlich maneuver before," Evans said. "It always seemed to be one of my former students I hear about needing to apply it on a victim."

Evans was presented the Ohio Distinguished Service Medal on October 14 by Brig. Gen. James Hughes, Assistant STARC Commander, in a ceremony at Beightler Armory.

Air Guard Deputy Director designated honorary chaplain

CAMP PERRY—Col. Richard Markley, Deputy Director, Ohio Air National Guard, was designated an honorary chaplain in a recent ceremony at Camp Perry. The ceremony, held during the 5th Annual Chaplain's Conference, recognized Markley's support of the Chaplain's program.

Also in attendance at the ceremony was Col. John Simons, State Area Command Chaplain, and Col. William Bridges, ANG liaison to Tactical Air Command for chaplains.



Col. Richard Markley, deputy director Air National Guard is designated an honorary chaplain.

Co C, 216th engineers spread Christmas cheer

by Spec. Richard Dyer
Co C 216th Engineer Battalion

FELICITY—Company C, 216th Engineer Battalion held its 5th annual food, clothing and toy drive this fall. The drive benefited the needy of Brown and Clermont Counties.

The 'Charlie' company engineers worked directly with Brown County Christmas Cheer. Non-perishable foods, clean used clothing and new or serviceable toys were collected at various points throughout the two counties.

Aluminum cans, old newspaper, magazines, and cardboard were also collected for turn-in, with the profits used to purchase new toys and food.

Donations were collected from October 20, through December 16.

Although final donation totals had not been tallied at press time, last year 14,938 pounds of food, clothing and toys were collected and distributed.

Hofbauer recognized by Photographers Assoc.



Warren Motts, president of the Professional Photographers Association presents a certificate to Joe Hofbauer, while Neil Moore, director of state personnel and Brig. Gen. Thomas D. Shulte look on.

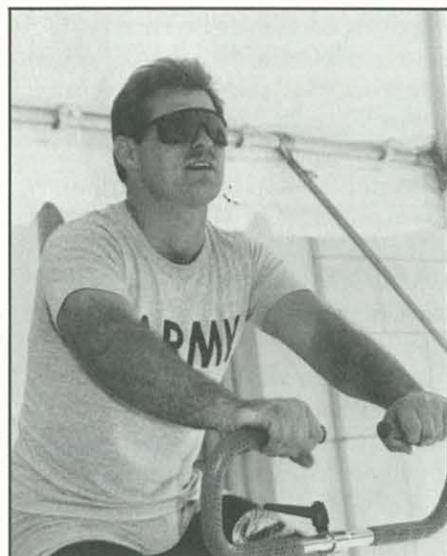
COLUMBUS—Joseph G.V. Hofbauer was recognized recently for over 25 years of membership and service in the association of the Professional Photographers of America, Inc.

Hofbauer is presently employed as head of the Adjutant General's Department photo lab, where all types of photography and graphic arts applications are performed.

During his career, Hofbauer has worked as a photographer for O.M. Scott & Sons, a lawn care company; the U.S. Army as a staff photographer for the 7th Infantry Division Headquarters; and as a staff photographer and writer for the Journal-Tribune newspaper.

Hofbauer has worked for the Adjutant General's Department photo lab for nearly 18 years.

Headquarters sergeant pedals for pledges



Sgt. 1st Class Jim Hull pedaled 21.4km for the Hunger Task Force bikeathon.

by Spec. Brian Lepley
HQ STARC (-Det 1-5)

COLUMBUS—You can't get very far on a stationary bicycle, but Sgt. 1st Class Jim Hull of Headquarters State Area Command pedaled non-stop to help the State of Ohio Hunger Task Force keep going the distance for the needy.

"Ohio National Guard units always do well in donating food, but this event was used to raise money for the organization's operating expenses," Hull said.

During the bikeathon in downtown Columbus last September, riders spent 15 minutes on a stationary bike, attempting to clock as many kilometers as possible.

"The setting was turned up high so the wheels went really fast. I was one of a few people who pedaled for the entire time,"

he said. Hull's total was 21.4 km, but most of his pledges weren't based on distance.

"A few people based their contributions on the total I compiled, but all the rest donated a set amount of money," he said. Before the event he tallied \$300 worth of pledges from Beightler Armory. Hull continued getting contributions after the bikeathon, raising more than \$500 for the cause.

The event is an annual project for agencies and departments of the State of Ohio. Hull said he wouldn't mind representing the Adjutant General's Department next year.

"It would be nice if we could get more Guard units to donate to this event. We do well donating food each year and this is the same cause, it's just a different way of helping," he said.

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437th Military Police Battalion deactivated in September

by Sgt. Lori King
196th Public Affairs Detachment

Adjutant General's Dept. exceeds campaign goal



Maj. Gen. Richard C. Alexander congratulates department personnel on a record breaking Combined Federal Campaign. The Adjutant General's Department exceeded its goal by 34 percent.

TOLEDO—After decades of withstanding several name and location changes, the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment of the 437th Military Police Battalion faced its final ceremony in September.

Guardmembers stood on the parade field at Camp Perry and watched their colors being turned over to a new keeper, the 137th Supply and Service Battalion, Toledo.

Sgt. 1st Class Verna Henderson, 137th S4 NCO, estimated the addition of four military police companies increased the battalion from approximately 430 to 883 personnel.

"But size is no problem," she assured, "because we're used to having units located long distances from the headquarters. It's always been that way."

Henderson commented that leaders have a "wait-and-see attitude" as far as working out the size, distance and training problems.

"It'll be a learning experience for all of us, primarily because we're a combat service unit and the military police detachment is combat support. We will all make an effort to learn from each other," she said.

Henderson, a former MP herself, added that one of the primary reasons the 137th is excited to receive the detachment is because many of the battalion's guardmembers are former MPs, with military police as a secondary MOS.

"The 137th used to be a military police battalion, but was reorganized in 1977 as the support service battalion," she said. "We're a little rusty, but we do have people who have MP experience. It's a good situation for everyone."

The 137th Supply and Service Battalion lost two service companies in the change, the 637th Service Company and the 641st Quartermaster Detachment, but picked up the four military police companies: 135th MP Co. (Brook Park), 323rd MP Co. (Toledo), 324th MP and the 838th MP Co.s (Youngstown).

324th MP's receive Eisenhower Trophy

by Staff Sgt. Peg Hanley
196th Public Affairs Detachment

YOUNGSTOWN—Overseas training and recognition for exemplary performance are two things the soldiers of the 324th Military Police Company have always coveted. And within a span of eight months, the Youngstown unit fulfilled both dreams.

In January, 1990, they traveled to Germany to participate in REFORGER exercises, and this September, Maj. Gen. Richard C. Alexander presented the Eisenhower Trophy to the unit in a ceremony at Camp Perry.

This trophy, first presented in 1949, is named for then General of the Army, Dwight D. Eisenhower, and is awarded by the National Guard Bureau to the most outstanding Army National Guard unit in

each state. To qualify, a unit must first win the Superior Award from NGB. This award is based upon such things as personnel strength, drill attendance, MOS qualification and certain aspects of training.

The 383rd Medical Company, Tiffin, and the 1487th Transportation Company, Eaton, along with the 324th MP Company were the only units in the state to receive the Superior Award, according to Lt. Col. Ronald Young, 437th Military Police Battalion commander.

Recipients of the Superior Award were further scrutinized in the areas of weapons qualifications, safety, and annual training performance by a board at the state level to determine the top unit and Eisenhower winner. The 324th beat the other units and became the first military police company in Ohio to receive the Eisenhower

"Looking back, there isn't one key factor that contributed to the unit being judged the best in Ohio," said Capt. Frank Rosa, Assistant S-2, Troop Command and former 324th commander.

"Morale has always been high in the unit but it soared after our work in Honduras," Rosa said. "And when we finally had the chance to put our years of training together in an overseas exercise, everything seemed to spell success."

The unit received several citations for their performance in Germany which Rosa credits to the strong NCO leadership and commitment to excellence on the part of the young officers.

"I wouldn't be surprised if they repeated themselves next year and won the trophy under the direction of their new commander, Capt. Steve Labuda."

National Guard Assoc. recognizes six Ohioans

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Six Ohio National Guard members were recognized by the National Guard Association for performing individual acts of heroism.

Three of the individuals were presented the National Guard Association Valley Forge Cross for Heroism.

Technical Sgt. James A. Miller, Jr., Ohio Air National Guard was cited for removing two individuals from a burning vehicle just seconds before it became totally engulfed in flames.

Staff Sgt. Leonard H. Scott and Spec. Edward C. Jack were cited for entering a burning house to rescue a woman and her infant. The two soldiers were in Kelheim, Germany, participating in REFORGER, at the time of the rescue.

Also recognized for heroism were Sgt. John R. Banjo and Pfc. Lisa A. Mierau. The two soldiers were presented with Valley Forge Certificates for assisting victims and alerting neighbors while Scott and Jack performed rescue operations.



Maj. Gen. Charles M. Kiefner presents award for Heroism to Pfc. Lisa A. Mierau.

The final recipient, Second Lt. John J. Keys, Ohio Air National Guard, was cited for saving the life of an injured bicyclist when he performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

The presentations, by Maj. Gen. Charles M. Kiefner, president of the Association, were made during the President's Recognition Awards Luncheon.

This year's luncheon recognized 58 individuals for outstanding performance and support of the National Guard and the National Guard Association of the United States.

COLUMBUS—Attitude and pride are generated from within. In the 33 years that Chief Warrant Officer 4 Richard L. Cline has been in the National Guard, the educational counselor of Columbus has seen the 'Guard grow and improve in number, education and attitude.

"We create the soldier's attitude," he said. "If a unit has a good attitude about the National Guard as a whole, then the individual will." In the same turn he added, "If the National Guard takes care of its soldiers, then the soldiers will take care of the National Guard."

Cline joined the 'Guard as a member of the 37th Signal Company, Columbus, which later reorganized to the 137th Signal Battalion. He transferred to the Emergency Operating Headquarters, also in Columbus, which reorganized to the 54th Support Center in 1977.

Cline retired from the Ohio National Guard on September, 30, 1990.

by Sgt. Kelli D. Blackwell
HQ STARC (-Det 1-5)

Ten Air Guard Bandmembers play with All Air Guard Band

by Staff Sgt. Lee Trompeter, 555th Air Force Band and Technical Sgt. Lon Mitchell, 180th Tactical Fighter Group

TOLEDO—Ten members of the 555th Air Force Band have been chosen to perform with the All Air Guard Band. It is unprecedented for one band to have so many of its members selected for this unique honor. The All Air Guard Band boasts its members are the 60 finest musicians in the entire Air National Guard.

"Band members must audition for each position by sending tapes of their performances," said Staff Sgt. Lee Trompeter. "It's a great honor to be selected. This band represents the top ten percent of the Air Guard musicians."

Those selected will perform with the National Honors Band, November 11 through 17 in Atlanta, Ga., at the Air Guard Commanders Conference.



Back row: Capt. Robert Kirchbaum, Staff Sgt. Clark Brooks (percussion), Senior Airman Gary Harper (vocals), Technical Sgt. Roland Southard (electronics/sound), Airman 1st Class Michael Andrew (principal tuba), Senior Airman Deborah Scales (clarinet).

Front row: Senior Master Sgt. James Bayes, Staff Sgt. Roselyn Smith (alternate flute), Staff Sgt. Lee Ann Trompeter (flute and piccolo), Senior Airman Becky Marickel (alternate oboe), Senior Airman Teresa Smith (clarinet), and Sgt. Laura Spresser (french horn).

FROM THE EDITOR

The staff of the Buckeye Guard has received several inquiries recently about what seems to be a recurring problem: National Guard members not receiving the Buckeye Guard magazine.

Mailing labels for the Ohio Army National Guard are obtained from the SIDPERS automated personnel system. Labels for Ohio Air National Guard members are provided by the CBPOs of each major Air Guard command.

Every Ohio National Guard member should receive one magazine at their home address.

If you are not receiving a magazine, it indicates that your unit personnel records do not contain your correct mailing address.

You should review your records to ensure the correct mailing address has been entered into the SIDPERS or CBPO files.

State Public Affairs Office staff or Buckeye Guard staff can not change or forward a change of mailing address.

This **must** be accomplished by you, through your unit administrator.

Reserve Retirees can use Exchange, other facilities

Effective October 1990, 'Gray Area' retirees are authorized to use the Exchange and other Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) facilities.

'Gray Area' retirees are those National Guard members who have completed 20 years of service but have not yet reached the age of 60. Guard members and Reservists are not able to collect retirement pay and benefits until age 60.

The Reserve member identification card (annotated with "RET" in the grade block) will authorize a 'Gray Area' retiree access to Exchange and MWR areas.

Access to commissaries is still not authorized for Guard and Reserve retirees until age 60.

Self Development Test replaces Army's Skill Qualification Test

Starting next year, the Skill Qualification Test (SQT), that all Army soldiers must take and pass for promotion, will be replaced by a newer, more proficient testing program. The program, called the Self-Development Test (SDT), will replace the SQT for the Guard and Reserve beginning October 1, 1993.

The SDT will replace the SQT as one of three elements of the Individual Training Evaluation Program. The other elements are the Common Tasks Test and the Commander's Evaluation. Testing for all MOSs will begin in the active Army in 1992 and in the Guard and Reserve in 1993. The same test will be used by all components.

The program will eliminate the SQT test for privates, specialists and corporals. SDT does not apply to skill level one soldiers. Guard and Reserve soldiers in grades E-5, E-6, and E-7 will continue to take the SQT until October 1, 1992.

Developed in the early 1970s, the SQT has been a headache for Guard and Reserve soldiers because many of the tested areas were either on equipment that the Guard and Reserve did not have or were in areas which they did not have time to train in.

The Army says the SDT is a broader, more proficient test. Soldiers will be tested on their individual MOSs, as well as training, leadership, and soldier development. The test will be based on MOS unique Soldier's Manuals, FM 25-101 (training for battalion and lower units), FM 22-100 (leadership), FM 22-101 (leadership and counseling) and FM 22-102 (soldier/team development).

Service schools are currently in the process of developing Soldier's Manuals for the 57 low-density MOSs and 121 associated skill levels that do not have Soldier's Manuals today.

Gen. Carl E. Vuono, chief of staff of the Army, has said that no soldier will be tested unless he has sufficient time to prepare for the test. This ensures that Headquarters, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command will print all required material for soldiers to use in preparation for the SDT. Soldiers must have a 70 percent to pass the test with a maximum of 100 percent.

Condensed from 'SQT Program to be Phased out for Self-Development Testing,' National Guard magazine, November 1990.

Nominations for 1991 ONGA Officers and Trustees

1. The Nominations Committee of the Ohio National Guard Association is seeking nominees for the following offices to commence 1 July 1991:

One Year Term

President
1st Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Treasurer

Two Year Term

Field Grade Trustee
Company/Warrant Officer
Grade Trustee

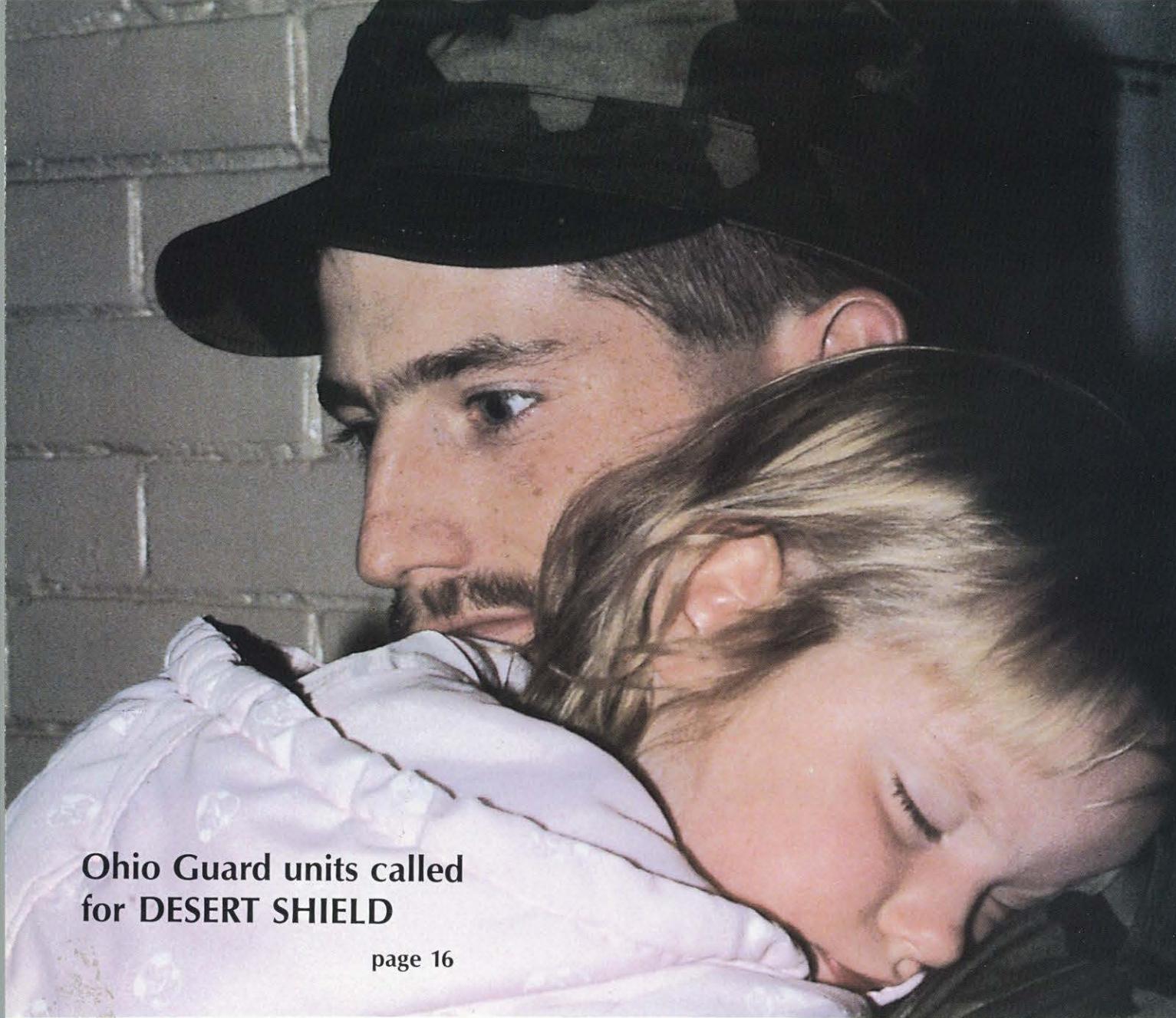
2. Nominations are to be forwarded to the following individuals no later than 15 February 1991:

(Air National Guard)
LtCol Pat Campbell
1703 Doone Road
Columbus, Ohio 43221

(Army National Guard)
MAJ Michael W. McHenry
2205 Tuliptree Ave.
Columbus, Ohio 43229

3. Election of offices to be conducted at the 1991 State Annual Conference.





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