Guardmembers to be recognized in October

October 7, 1983 is Ohio National Guard Day. Ohio, as in previous years has joined the Nation in this observance. Governor Richard F. Celeste has proclaimed October 7 as Ohio National Guard Day and he has extended the observance to recognize October 2-8 as Ohio National Guard Week.

Today's modern, professional Ohio National Guard has evolved through nearly 200 years since its inception in 1788 - fifteen years before Ohio attained statehood. The Ohio National Guard is an increasingly important link in a unique American tradition. It is a tradition of the citizen-soldier...of the militia...of the Guard. The National Guard is unique in that it has both a federal and a state mission.

We know that we belong to a 200-year old organization along with over 20,000 other Ohio citizens. We know that the Guard is an economical force (uses less than 64% of every defense dollar) upon which there is an increasing reliance. We know that we aid Ohio citizens and communities in time of need. We know that we are a net revenue-producer in that we attract over 30 dollars from the federal government for each state appropriated dollar in our state budget.

The first week in October is our opportunity to tell our neighbors, employers, legislators, media and local community these facts. Let these people - for whom we exist - experience what we experience as a guardmember. Ohio National Guard Week will allow units with training assemblies on the first and second weekends an ideal opportunity to invite these people to join their training activities on those days.

Everyone can wear their uniform to their place of employment or wear the emblem which will be distributed at drill. The heritage is ours. The heritage is unequalled. Seize the opportunity to share the great Guard story!

Raymond R. Galloway
Adjutant General

The Guardmember—twice a citizen

This is a test. What world-famous public figure described the military reservist as “twice a citizen”?

There was a time when the public image of the National Guard was less than complimentary. Remember the old phrases? “Weekend Warrior”...“Part-time Soldier”...“Summertime.” For the most part, these phrases have been laid to rest. They linger on only in the minds of the uninformed...— Our activities are no longer confined to the weekends. — Being a member of the National Guard involves a unique lifestyle, far beyond that of any part-time job.

— Our Annual Training may be two weeks, sometimes more; often year round; perhaps far from home or overseas; involves moving tons of equipment and hundreds, perhaps thousands, of soldiers and airmen; and involves the practice of military (often deadly) skills. Sound like an ordinary camping trip to you?

Unfortunately, some of us seem to be working incredibly hard to preserve the old myths. When seen in uniform, many of our number respond to questions by saying: “No, I’m just in the National Guard.” Just in the National Guard! Sounds like an apology, doesn’t it? Well for those of you who haven’t yet gotten the message, we have nothing for which to apologize.

Think of it this way. It can be thought of as easy to be in the active component of the Army or Air Force. You have only one life to lead — military. And the Guardmember? Two lives to manage — one civilian, one military. And often so intertwined that it’s tough to tell where one ends and the other begins. If you’re doing it right, it’s probably harder than being on active duty! Not something to apologize for, but something to be proud of. You’re not some kind of second class citizen, as some still insist. A more descriptive term might be super-citizen. You fulfill all of the family, community and national (pay taxes?) obligations common to all citizens, and then go on to do more.

To repeat, there are some Guard members who haven’t gotten the word. The majority go about the business of being proud of appearance, attendance, performance of duties, improvement of skills, sense of accomplishment, professional advancement, and pure contribution to community and nation.

There’s a minority, however, who keep trying to spoil it for the rest by contributing to the “Weekend Warrior” image. Their haircuts and uniforms are a good imitation of the 1970 hippy laundry bag...To show how “proud” they are, they drink themselves senseless — in uniform and in public — and then try to wreck the very tavern that gave them refuge...They regularly exhibit — in uniform, in public — various forms of loud, obnoxious and abusive behavior...They delight in telling neighbors, friends, co-workers, even employers (real dumb) how they “get over” in the Guard. ‘It’s great! I do as little as possible, have a few beers, and cash my checks.’ Great for the ol’ public image, isn’t it?

The picture we wish to project is that of an organization made up of dedicated professionals. We are concerned members of the community, State and Nation. Whether you are a Guard professional 16 hours each month, 160 hours, or any number in between — a professional none-the-less. It shouldn’t be hard to project this picture of ourselves, for that is what most Guardmembers are trying to be.

“Twice a citizen,” leading the same demanding life of all other citizens, and then voluntarily assuming the extra responsibility that is the very spirit of the National Guard.

A final thought. In an essay of this nature, it is always possible to offend a few people. For those who feel offended, a bit of advice is in order. Clean up your act or clean out your locker. There’s work to be done, and there is no longer any room for “Weekend Warriors.”

Who described you as “twice a citizen?” None other than Winston Churchill. Nothing to apologize for. Everything to be proud of.

Believe it.

MSgt. Dave Herman
Assistant State Retention NCO
and Employer Support NCO
**This the senseless war**

As I look out into the distant land, I hear the sounds of rifles firing rounds into the air.

As the night progresses on, I hear the sound of popping, not of bags, but mortars firing their rounds into the air, in this the senseless war.

As the night progresses on to day, you hear the sounds of guns, not small ones, but big ones, called artillery, firing their rounds into the air.

And as a plane flies over head you hear the cheers of joy below, not because they have hate in their hearts, but because they are praying that the bomb got the one that's trying to get them, in this the senseless war.

As the days go by, you think not of what is happening to you, but you think of the girl you left at home and if she'll be there when you get back, in this the senseless war.

As the war comes to an end, and as the rifles fire their last rounds, and as the artillery man fires his round into the air, in this the senseless war.

As the planes fly their last mission, there is a cheer below. And now the popping is of bags, not of mortars. And, oh yes, as for the girl you left at home, she is gone, and all that is left is the memories of this, the senseless war.

SSgt. James Meyer
Alliance, Ohio Recruiter

This poem was written on the battlefield during Vietnam by SSgt. Meyer.

**Pride in the guard**

My husband is a Guardsman, I'm very proud to say. Each month he dons his pickle suit, and goes on his way.

Sometimes it's just for a day, sometimes quite a few. He enjoys the Guard, I know, and I enjoy it too.

When he comes home he talks about all the things they've done.

From war games at summer camp, to breaking down his gun.

I find it very interesting, the many things they do. The National Guard, an important part, of our great Red, White and Blue.

SHERLIN J. ROE
Legislative issues to impact heavily on our future

BY TOM STEPANOFSKY

As the newly appointed Legislative Chairman of the Ohio National Guard Enlisted Association, I appreciate the early opportunity to relay those points of interest which most affect your present and future status as members of the Ohio National Guard.

Of critical importance are items of legislation before Congress; bills which could impact heavily on our future. Your action as citizen-soldiers is necessary to ensure that these bills become law. Your letter, telegram, or phone call could be the difference. So contact your representatives in support of the following:

HR 1400 — EDUCATION ASSISTANCE
HR 1491 — MEDICAL OMNIBUS BILL S 759
HR 1492 — MEDICAL/DENTAL FOR DEPENDENTS S 758
HR 1493 — MEDICAL/DENTAL FOR

GUARD/RESERVE ON LESS THAN 30 DAY TOUR
S 757
HR 1494 — TO GRANT AVIATION INCENTIVE PAY TO MEMBERS OF SELECTED RESERVE
HR 1495 — TO GRANT MEMBERS OF SELECTED RESERVE FULL HAZARDOUS DUTY PAY
HR 1498 — ELIMINATION OF THE 60-POINT RESTRICTION ON RETIREMENT CREDIT FOR GUARD/RESERVE
HR 4151 — ELIMINATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSET IN SURVIVOR BENEFIT DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION AND DEFENSE APPROPRIATION

Secondly, the Ohio National Guard Enlisted Association (ONGEA) wants to be truly representative of all Guard members in Ohio. The only way to do this is to have 100 percent membership of all enlisted Guard members.

When your board and committee members contact Ohio's legislators asking for passage of laws that benefit you, we want to be able to tell them we represent all 19,000 plus, Air and Army National Guard members in the state. NUMBERS HAVE CLOUT!

Thirdly, as a continuation in policy of now Chairman of the Board, Carl S. Bicanovsky, CSM, we are forming a legislative task force. The task force is meant to put legislatively concerned Guard members in constant personal contact with our representatives. Specifically, we are looking for Ohio National Guard members that have political savvy and contacts. If interested, or if you wish to know how to reach your elected official, call or write to our CSM or office.

Tom Stepanovsky, 5474 N. Galena Road, Sunbury, Ohio 43074 (614) 524-4055 or C/O 684th Medical Co. (C/O), 240 S. State Street, Westerville Ohio 43081 (614) 882-4193.

Attend the annual National Conference, National Enlisted Association of the U.S. to be held at the Hyatt Regency, Columbus, Ohio August 28 to Sept. 1, 1983. For additional information call Isabelle Trapasso at (614) 889-7036.

Benefits are something that promote well-being and we all want them. Thus, when we go out to units to talk about the Enlisted Association, questions come from senior NCOs asking, what is the purpose of all these benefits? It takes the clout of all of you to get these improvements, and the Association, on the National level, is working very hard to get these things for you.

You see, as a member of the Enlisted Association you automatically become a member of the National Enlisted Association.

In addition to the proposals shown in the legislative article (above), we also have benefits that some of you may have overlooked, such as:

a- Auto and homeowners insurance, 
b- Drill pay insurance, 
c- Low cost travel plans, 
d- Merchandise discounts, 
e- Automobile rentals, 
f- Career assistance programs, 
g- Entertainment and recreation plans and, 
h- Discounts on pharmacy needs.

Indirectly, the benefits offered to junior NCOs and enlisted members help to entice better individuals to your squad or platoon, making your unit stronger. For further information on these benefits call SFC John Murphy at 614-889-7188, or contact your unit Enlisted Association representative, or call EANGUS Administrative Services, 1-800-325-1190 or (301) 727-3620.

I want to personally invite each of you to attend the National Conference to be held in Columbus, Ohio Aug. 28 to Sept. 1, 1983. The conference committee, chaired by CSM Bob Goodson, has worked long and hard to have the best conference held anywhere, and we need you to come and meet your association members from across America.

John Murphy, Vice-President, Army
Graf: Hall of Fame inductee

BY VICTOR DUBINA

Bry A, 2/174 ADA Bn.

Grand Rapids and Bowling Green native and long time Findlay resident George F. Graf was recently inducted into the Ohio National Guard Hall of Fame. Selection to the Hall of Fame is based upon a lifelong commitment and contribution to the Ohio National Guard. The induction ceremonies came during the Ohio National Guard Association’s Annual Conference held in Cincinnati.

Graf, 66, a retired Ohio National Guard Brigadier General, was noted for being an “outstanding leader of his community, an advisor to the young people he associates with at Findlay College and his bold and dynamic influence with Blanchard Valley School for the handicapped and mentally retarded.”

The general’s Ohio National Guard career began in 1940 as a private in Company F, 148th Infantry at Bowling Green. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in October 1940.

During World War II Graf served in many positions, from a Rifle Platoon Leader, to an Infantry Battalion Commander, 2nd Battalion 182nd Infantry. He was promoted through the ranks to that of Lieutenant Colonel within four years and one day of being commissioned. Following World War II service, Graf organized the 2nd Battalion, 148th Infantry.

Graf was recalled to Active Service in 1952. Following the Korean Conflict, he returned to the 148th Infantry. Career highlights included Assistant Division Commander to the famous 37th Infantry Division, the old “Buckeye Division,” 28th Infantry Division and 38th Infantry Division. Graf was also Commanding General of the 16th Engineer Brigade.

He has received the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with two clusters, Army Commendation Medal with Cluster, Purple Heart and the Combat Infantryman’s Badge.

Graf has held numerous Findlay, Ohio leadership positions, including President of the Findlay Rotary Club, Findlay YMCA, and the Findlay Social Services Coordinating Agency.

General Graf has earned recognitions from the National Recreation Association, Findlay YMCA, and the Hancock County United Way. He has earned the Findlay AMVETS Community Service Award, Bowling Green State University Community Service Award and the Freedom’s Foundation George Washington Honor Medal.

Wives ready for new year

A talented lady once wrote a beautiful song entitled, “Wasn’t this Summer Short?”. That it was, as always. Seasons come and go with alarming speed. The Ohio National Guard Officers’ Wives’ Club has put the summer to good use and the resultant season of programming will prove to be a winner.

New season highlights

Vice President and program chairwoman, Karin Easley, has arranged a series of entertaining and interesting programs for 1983-1984. The annual and popular events, such as the Tea and the holiday auction, will of course be highlights. Included this year are a fashion show, and other intriguing speakers.

Friendship Tea

The Tea in September is a warm and hospitable way to start the year. Tea chairman, Rita Dura, is spending lots of time, energy and creativity to produce a lovely event. Invitations will be mailed later this month. If you don’t receive yours, contact Nita Elliott, 3623 Grafton Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43220, (614) 451-8588.

Please keep in mind that all wives of the Ohio National Guard officers are members. Your Guardsman will appreciate your interest in his organization.

Shown l. to r., Lisa Allen, secretary; Joan Thomas, incoming president; Karin Easley, vice-president; and Rita Dura, out-going president, as Pres. Dura installs the new officers for OWC for 1984. (Photo by Becky Haden)
Members of the 73D Infantry Brigade (Sep) reaped a rich harvest of benefits by attending the Primary Non-Commissioned Officers Course (PNCOC) to develop leadership skills and techniques in the E4/E5 combat arms soldier at Fort Custer, Mich.

According to project manager, CSM Robert J. Goodson, PNCOC, with an enrollment of 200 students and 50 cadre this year, was part of the NCO Education system designed about ten years ago and has been progressing through that time.

"PNCOC is a primary phase of NCO instruction—one of the first phases for combat arms soldiers," said Goodson. The Brigade conducted its first PNCOC in 1981 at Camp Grayling, Mich., graduating 140 students.

"Last year the Ohio Military Academy conducted a PNCOC course at Camp Atterbury, Ind."

Goodson pointed out that PNCOC is a relatively new program and the 73D Infantry Brigade conducted the first course held in the state, and PNCOC this year was one of the largest NCO courses ever graduated.

Goodson and MSgt. Jerry Humphrey started planning the course about eight months ago.

"This was not an easy course. It demanded intense studying, time and energy. Completion of the course now qualifies the graduates as NCOs through the grade of E-7," said Goodson.

PNCOC students are required to complete 131 hours of instruction in training to lead soldiers, perform land navigation, use of proper communications skills, perform combat techniques, and call for fire. They also must pass a physical training test and a leadership reaction course.

"The cadre already went through these subjects. They, in turn, teach the new students. We have to train the cadre before they can go out and teach the students.

"The benefit to the unit is that they have trained people at the squad level that can go out and work in their units and know what they are doing and/or suppose to be doing," said Goodson.

Support personnel played a vital role in the successful completion of PNCOC at Fort Custer.

"We used our support people for detail duty, drivers and anything else we needed them for to help get the school work done," said Goodson.

"In the field, we used them for controllers, aggressors on the defense exercise—an enemy to attack, and in patrolling and ambushes," he said.

The 73D Infantry Brigade PNCOC climaxed with a graduation exercise honoring 189 graduates.
Mobilization

Guard ready to fight if necessary

BY D.S. DANKWORTH
196th Public Affairs Detachment

With all the benefits offered to Ohio National Guard members it’s easy for them to forget the primary reason they train two days a month, and a two week annual training period.

That reason is to stay ready to fight a war if U.S. armed forces are called to defend the nation and its allies.

"The possibility of National Guard mobilization is more real today than it ever has been . . ." Robert L. Dilts

That is where the "Capstone" program comes in.

"Capstone is a proposed troop listing for the first days of a war," said Col. Robert G. Radcliffe, Ohio Army National Guard training officer. He said that since all Ohio Army Guard units are "non-divisional," each is a "Corps asset," with a specified organization to be attached to a mobilization.

"The point is, we all have a place to go on mobilization day.

"In Ohio we have 56 different places where units will go," he said. For example, the 112th Transportation Battalion, headquartered in Middletown, has five different Corps assets. "They will be going five separate places," Radcliffe said.

Since the program allows commanders to know where their units will go upon mobilization—which could be someplace in Europe or the Pacific or anywhere in the world depending on the crisis—the commander can, and must, assure that their soldiers receive the proper training.

"We can aim our training at the theater the unit is going to," Radcliffe added. The Ohio Guard is authorized to send individuals from Buckeye units to visit their Capstone headquarters if in the United States. In addition, National Guard Bureau selectively designates units each year that can send representatives to those Capstone Headquarters that are in Europe.

Computer takes over repair shops

BY DONALD E. NORRIS
214th Maint. Co.

The 214th Maintenance Company has a new D.A.S.-3, a semi-trailer which houses the Decentralized Automated Service Support System. At the present time the maintenance company is using it to manage repair parts systems for the repair shops.

Warrant Officer Donald Lane is in charge of the trailer and the training of the men who use the system. The facility has its own generator for power which every person in the section must learn to operate. Some of the other features include the fifth wheel and all axles which ride on air-conditioned shocks for a very smooth ride.

Inside are storage cabinets that house spare parts and tools for any piece of equipment on board. The disc drive, a very sensitive unit, plays the disc storage tapes which contain the information on supply and stock control.

2nd Lt. Margaret Becker, the Platoon Leader in charge of the 13 members, stated, "It is an awesome responsibility to be attached to this $500,000, piece of very important equipment."

Anthony United, presently going to school at Fort Lee, VA, is training to be a full time technician on the repair of the unit.

1st Sgt. Harry Bordenkircher states, "The equipment is new, the personnel are new, but with the fine training and the spirit in which the Guardmembers have received this equipment, it has already become a valuable asset to the Ohio National Guard and our company."
Infantry practices urban assault tactics

BY BRIAN BLODGETT
237th Support Battalion

The wedge is the basic tactical formation technique used by infantrymen to penetrate a narrow front woodland, grassland, or swampy area. In cities and other built up areas however, the wedge is obviously an impractical way of movement.

Members of Company B, 166th Infantry Battalion, recently invaded Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base to practice the skills and movements needed in an urban environment. In an urban area each building must be individually secured before the next building is assaulted. Grenades must be thrown through windows, and doors kicked in, as each building is searched. Smoke screens must be used to conceal individual movement. "In a real situation the smoke is so heavy that you can hardly see or breathe. Gas masks are a must," said 1st Lt. Terry Kundert, commander of B Company.

"One of the main problems," said Sgt. Donald Seitz, "is keeping squad integrity. Running from building to building, around corners, and through the buildings keeping a squad together is especially difficult. I feel that we did a good job during this training in keeping the individual squads together. "Multi-story buildings, a very major problem in built up areas, required human ladders to be formed many times throughout the day. Grappling hooks were also utilized," Seitz said. Practically every man in the company attempted to scale the building by this method and found out that it was not as easy as it looked. "I've climbed this building five times," said Sp4 Alex Neal. "The last time with a M-60 on my back sure wore me out."

Combat service support vital to total mission

BY MICHAEL BURRIS
237th Support Battalion

The scenario had the operation taking place in the northern portion of West Germany, with the 237th Support Battalion sustaining a fictitious separate brigade of 4,000 troops.

Four companies from the 237th participated in a Command Post Exercise/Logistics (CPX/LOGEX) at the Springfield Armory. The exercise was conducted to improve the proficiency of the staff sections and unit leaders conducting operations under war-time conditions.

Companies A (Admin.) and B (Med.) Worthington, Company C (S&T) Oxford, and Company D (Maint.) Mt. Vernon, provided combat service support to the 73rd Infantry Brigade (Sep.).

"Our support mission is quite often taken for granted. We do not get enough opportunities to practice those detailed skills required to fully accomplish this support mission," said Lt. Col. Jay Gibbs, commander of HHD, 237th Support Battalion, Springfield.

The planning and control was provided by a team from the 100th Division MTC, USAR, Louisville, Ky. About 50 personnel from throughout the support battalion took part in the 30 hour exercise.

"This exercise was written for our units, which allowed our people more exposure to simulated war-time operations and detailed logistics planning than we are able to accomplish during normal IDT, annual training, or other exercises written for the combat elements," said Maj. Richard Cooper. "Exercises of this type will be included in our future training plans," he said. Cooper is the S-2/3 for HHD 237th Support Battalion, Springfield.

The Air Guard also got involved with the exercise when MSgt. John Zelnik, 178th Tactical Fighter Group, and Maj. George Roger, both from the Springfield Air National Guard provided photo support.

Correspondence School

BY PEGGY HANLEY
196th Public Affairs Detachment

The Institute for Professional Development (IPD), U.S. Army Training Support Center, distributed the first comprehensive catalog of Army Correspondence Course Program (ACCP) courses and subcourses, April 1983.

This new publication, Department of the Army Pamphlet 351-20 is available at unit training offices, education centers and military occupational specialty (MOS) libraries and lists all correspondence courses and subcourses produced by 18 different TRADOC schools and four DA/DOD activities.

Correspondence courses are free of charge to all U.S. Armed Forces. National Guard officers and enlisted soldiers receive one retirement point for every three hours of correspondence course credits.

There are 490 courses and 3,000 sub-courses listed in the catalog. Some courses may be accepted for credit toward a college degree.

Questions pertaining to correspondence courses should be addressed to: Institute for Professional Development, U.S. Army Training Support Center, Newport News, Va. 23628 or extension 3085 at (804) 878-4701.

Scholarship
Honeymoon over for nonperformers

BY CHUCK TRITT
196th Public Affairs Detachment

The Ohio National Guard has taken over the administration of the Guard's Scholarship Program. The Ohio Board of Regents has administered the program since its beginning in 1978.

"Don't deal with the board anymore, use your chain of command," said CWO 4 Walt Donaugh, who is working on the changeover.

If there are any changes in a nonperformer's status, such as changing schools or dropping out for a quarter, soldiers should inform their commander.

New regulations covering administration of the program will be issued soon, according to Donaugh. Until then, students should be unaffected by the change if they have already applied for or are receiving assistance and plan to attend school this fall or winter.

The idea is to save money in the program by eliminating people from the program that are not meeting National Guard standards.

"The honeymoon is over for the bad people, but we will take care of the good ones," said Donaugh.
Top shooters take aim at safety

BY DAVIDA MATTHEWS
Co A, 237th Support Battalion

Residents of the Urbana area were treated to a rare privilege recently—the opportunity to learn handgun safety from Ohio’s top National Guard shooters.

The seven-member combat pistol team from the 1/166th Infantry Battalion shared their knowledge in a handgun safety clinic held at the armory in Urbana. An open invitation to the community attracted 13 participants.

The clinic began with a classroom session to teach the fundamentals of handgun safety. “It’s important that the students not fear the weapon, yet maintain a healthy respect for it,” explained SFC Steve Paver, captain of the team. “In the classroom, it’s a non-threatening situation—the students can handle the weapons, become familiar with the feel of the grip and the weight, even do some dry firing. It’s a relaxed atmosphere yet we enforce all the rules of handgun safety so that they become familiar with them before they go to the range.”

After the class, the students were allowed to practice what they had learned by moving to the range for live-fire. Each student received a 30-minute one-on-one coaching by a member of the pistol team.


Recently, the team, representing Ohio, took top honors in the 5th Army Combat matches, earning the right to represent the entire 5th Army in All-Army matches.

Lifeline ’83

Tactical logistics exercise held on large scale

BY SP5 SHANNON RYAN
371st Support Battalion

The 371st Support Group of Kettering, Ohio recently participated in LIFELINE 83, the Army’s largest tactical logistics exercise in the continental United States. The fourth exercise of its kind, LIFELINE 83, was designed to test the Army’s ability to transport Department of Defense cargo by rail, sea, truck and air in contingency operations.

The exercise, held at Fort Bragg, N.C., was composed of 89 Reserve and National Guard components and 67 Active Army units from 17 states. Reserve and National Guard units contributed about 50 percent of the total troops in LIFELINE. They were heavily relied upon for supply, maintenance, field service and medical support. More than 13,000 soldiers participated in the exercise.

The 371st Support Group provided 27 personnel. Additionally, personnel from the 137th Supply and Service Battalion and two maintenance contact teams from the 737th Maintenance Battalion accompanied the Group to Fort Bragg.

The 371st gave logistical support for the Southern half of LIFELINE, which covered five states—Miss., Ala., Ga., N.C., and S.C. The Group had two Regular Army Battalions, the 189th Maintenance Battalion and the 530th Supply and Service Battalion and the 29th RAOOC (Rear Area Operations Control) from the Maryland National Guard attached to them.

In addition to dealing with logistical problems, exercise participants also had to deal with OPFOR (Opposing Forces) attacks, and possible NBC (nuclear, biological, chemical) attacks.

Cob webs in your address

All Officers should make sure that their correct address is on file with the Officer’s Association. Many letters are returned to the secretary because addresses have not been changed on your Association records. Please send your correct address and present rank to the secretary, Col. Roger Truax, ONGA, 2825 W. Granville Road, Worthington, OH 43085.
One of our own lived to tell it

BY MARTIN J. METZGER
Headquarters 179th Tactical Airlift Group

At the opening of May's unit training assembly, members were surprised when they were met at the parking lot by the "Grim Reaper" atop one of his many modus operandi — a crashed automobile.

Sponsored by the 179th Tactical Airlift Group Safety Office, the display was designed to make the incoming drivers aware of the results of not using seat belts. Those not wearing seat belts were handed a "nasty gram" admonishing the individual and encouraging them to use their belts. We hope many will respond by "making-it-click."

For one individual, it did click! After the Saturday training assembly, this person reported to his civilian job (third shift), worked it, and then left for home. Normally, he did not use a seat belt; but this time, after remembering the "Grim Reaper" atop the crashed auto, he decided to buckle up. Driving his Chevy Monza, he fell asleep within five miles of home and hit a telephone pole head-on. The car was totaled.

There is a lesson to be learned. Most of us have to learn it — some learn it too late! The individual in the Monza was glad that he learned it in time. We know because he was able to walk away uninjured, and tell us.

Mars-tians land at Cocoa Beach

Radio operators send around world messages

BY JOHN M. BADENHOP
Headquarters 179th Tactical Airlift Group

The Eastern Space and Missile Center at Patrick AFB, Cocoa Beach, Florida normally coordinates space shot and missile test launches. However, during April, personnel at Patrick thought they were being invaded by creatures from outer space. Posters went up featuring the YODA character, announcements went out over the public address systems in the BX and Commissary that the "Mars-tians" have landed, and articles appeared in the daily bulletin promoting the arrival of the "Mars-tians."

Actually, what had happened was that the 179th Communications Flight from the 179th Tactical Airlift Group of Mansfield, Ohio had invaded. They had arrived with a full compliment of communicators for Annual Training. The 2179th Communications Group provided host command facilities.

The HF radio operators including TSgts. Albert Lloyd NCOIC, Ray Harris, Larry Skinner, John Badenhop and SrA Trina Koenig were assigned to the Patrick AFB MARS operation. Under normal circumstances, the MARS operation is a contingency form of communications manned by volunteers.

The 179th operators advertised for business in the form of personal messages to be transmitted from personnel in Florida to bases around the world. Some of the locations to which messages were sent included: Holland, Germany, Japan, Korea and numerous CONUS locations. The response from the local base was better than expected and thereby provided some much needed "hands-on" training in a practical environment.

The Telecommunications personnel were integrated into the 2179th CG Base Telecommunications Center operating the Univac 9300 Processor for both narrative and data communications. The 179th personnel handled operations essential for the Space Shuttle Program and other NASA related space programs. Our personnel supplemented, sent traffic to, and received traffic from, NASA tracking stations "downrange" of Cape Canaveral.

Personnel were also available from the Maintenance section of our Communications Flight to assist in outside telephone and inside telephone equipment maintenance as well as high frequency radio repair.

Probably the best part of the two week training was the "whole-hearted" invitation from the 2179th for our unit to return to Patrick for annual training anytime.
Durfey promoted to Brig. Gen.

BY JACK ARLEN
HQ, Ohio Air Guard

Miles C. Durfey, chief of staff, Ohio National Guard, has been promoted to brigadier general. Durfey previously served as Director of Operations for the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing, Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base.

Durfey enlisted in the Air force as a private in September 1951. Following basic training he entered the Aviation Cadet program in March 1952 at Goodfellow AFB, Texas and completed training in the T-6 aircraft. He was then assigned to Foster AFB, Texas for training in the T-33 aircraft, where he was rated Pilot and commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in March 1953.

Cadets Lend hands to Air Guard

BY WILLIAM F. DAIS
180th Tactical Fighter Group

Cooperation was the key word. That cooperation was between the Civil Air Patrol Cadets and the personnel of the Ohio National Guard who were on Annual Training at Phelp-Collins Field Training Site in Alpena, Mich.

The 10 CAP cadets, all from the Toledo area, spent their two weeks of training at Phelps-Collins and were assigned to work in different areas to gain experience.

Cadet Jeff Hiser, one of the cadets who trains on a weekly basis at the facilities of the 180th Tactical Fighter Group, Swanton, Ohio, served as an artist and illustrator for the Daily Bulletin which was distributed to the 800 Air Guard personnel who were in training. Jeff worked very close with the publications staff and his artistic talents were utilized to the fullest. Hiser has had an interest in art since he was very young and also has the desire to gain a better understanding of the Air National Guard.

All the Ohio Air National Guard personnel who worked with Jeff and the other Civil Air Patrol Cadets agree that they are fine young people and deserve a big "Job Well Done" for their activities during the two weeks of Annual Training 1983.

McGinley represents Guard

BY JACK ARLEN
HQ, Ohio Air Guard

Brig. Gen. Donald McGinley, Assistant Chief of Staff for Air, helped Mr. Chester Koch celebrate his 91st birthday. For the last 66 years, he has served his country and fellowman above and beyond the call of duty.

During the first World War Koch served as a Mess Sergeant in the 83rd Division of the American Expeditionary Force. Since that time he has become and still is Cleveland's only Coordinator of Patriotic Affairs. As such he has personally been responsible for promoting and producing every patriotic parade, Memorial Day and Veteran's observance in the Cleveland community. Together with these auspicious activities, he has personally seen approximately 400,000 of the area young people inducted into the service during the second World War, Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

On Sunday, May 22, 1983 the Cleveland community said "Thank you Chester" at an elegant testimonial dinner.

High esteem placed on 121st TFG (now TFW)

BY ROBERT L. BACHMANN, Jr.
121st Tactical Fighter Wing

Proclamations from Ohio Governor Richard Celeste, Columbus Mayor Tom Moody and the Ohio State Senate and House of Representatives were presented to members of the 121st Tactical Fighter Group (now designated the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing) commemorating the 15th anniversary of the 1968 call to active duty.

On January 26, 1968, 900 Guardsmen of the 121st TFG were activated in response to the seizure of the U.S. Navy's Pueblo by North Korea. The majority of the activated personnel were assigned to Kunsan Air Base, Korea. Flying the F-100 Super Sabre, the 121st was one of the first units to arrive in Korea and immediately assumed the alert commitment. Many of the pilots volunteered and flew combat missions in Vietnam.

Group was on active duty for 16 months before returning home.

Guest speaker at the reunion was retired Ohio State football coach Woody Hayes. A recognized expert in military history, he praised patriotism and the contribution of the Guardsmen. Hayes related stories of battles in past wars where others also answered the call of duty in order to keep our country free.

After his speech, Coach Hayes was awarded the "Buckeye Colonel" title, the Ohio Guard's highest honor to a civilian, for his numerous contributions to all Ohioans, especially to those in the military. During his coaching days, Hayes often visited troops overseas.

When presented the award by Brig. Gen. Robert Preston, Assistant Adjutant General for Air, Coach Hayes was obviously touched. His only comment was a sincere "I really don't deserve this."
Dedication and fortitude leads to graduation for fifty-three

BY NANCY M. CLEVENGER
HHD. STARC, (Det 1)

The 53 hats and berets flew in the air, a loud cheer rose above the hand clapping of the friends and family members, as the new second lieutenants celebrated the victory of graduation from Class XXX of the Ohio Military Academy’s Officer Candidate School.

According to Col. Arthur E. Wallach, Commandant of the Ohio Military Academy, “Class XXX was unique and probably one of the best classes to graduate from the Academy.” He said the academy was extremely proud of this year’s graduates.

What made these graduates unique over past students is that the staff allowed them to do all of their own planning, to include movements, situations, and final execution. They made their own mistakes and successes. In the past the staff did the planning for the students.

The candidates had to actually steal their rations from the aggressors on several occasions while performing in their field training exercises.

Maj. Roger Witsken, OCS Branch Chief of Officer Schools, stated, “We were looking for more innovative ways to give actual field training. Placing the responsibility on the candidates to implement their own plans and procedures not only added to a more beneficial learning environment, but also built better morale among them.”

The graduating class started out two years ago with over a hundred students. The school is not an easy one as many may think, but does require perseverance, hard work, dedication and fortitude.

There were seven female graduates in this class of new second lieutenants, and most of them agreed that the field experience was the best part of their training.

Witsken said, “These students were great, and show a good standard of leadership.”

During graduation ceremonies held at Camp Perry, Ohio, awards were presented to the following: The Ericson Trophy, the OCS Alumni Award (voted by peers), the Academic Achievement Award, and the 107th Armored Calvary Award all went to 2nd Lt. Steven D. Kline, Attack Helicopter Troop, 107th ACR, Worthington.

The Most Improved Leadership Award (voted by peers) went to 2nd Lt. Joseph A. Harvey, HHC 1/148th Infantry Bn., Lima; and 2nd Lt. Steven L. Thompson, Det 1, Company C, 166th Infantry Battalion, Urbana, received the 73rd Infantry Brigade Award. The 16th Engineer Brigade Award was received by 2nd Lt. Rodney L. Kaiser, 837th Engineer Company, Lima. 2nd Lt. Michael O. O’Connell, 385th Medical Company, Tiffin, earned the 112th Medical Brigade Award. Many prestigious guests and family members attended the graduation ceremonies.

An added attraction to the ceremony was the presentation of a Bachelor of Arts degree in Urban Studies to 2nd Lt. Steven R. Pressman. Due to his military training, Pressman was unable to attend graduation ceremonies at Urbana College, so Dr. David C. Sweet, dean of the college, came to the OCS graduation to present the degree.

The 122nd Army National Guard Band performed during the ceremony and the junior candidates, under the direction of Candidate Forrest Gossett, dedicated two songs to the seniors.
Candidate Mark A. Sarka puts camouflage on the face of Candidate Anthony A. Shaffer. (Photo by SSgt. Dave Swavel)

Photo on left shows the new second lieutenants after graduation exercises. (Photo by SFC Nancy Clevenger) Above - Candidates marching during two-week school at Camp Perry. (Photo by SSgt. Dave Swavel)
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Ohio Cross

Gribble doesn’t like hero talk

BY RAYMOND BROZ

Medals, honors and interviews were the last thing on SSgt. Jim Gribble’s mind when he stretched his body across a perilous sheet of ice to rescue two 11-year-old boys dangling in the deathly cold water of the Black River near Elyria last January.

For his bravery and heroism, Gribble received the Ohio Cross, the highest honor an Ohio Guardsman can earn. The award was presented by Brig. Gen. Thomas D. Schulte, Ohio’s assistant adjutant general for Army, at Camp Perry, before more than 700 members of the 112th Engineer Battalion during annual training.

The rescue came about when Gribble saw a crowd of people gather along the bridge near his home in Elyria.

A woman told him two boys were drowning below and Gribble, a trained emergency medical technician and former ambulance attendant, was immediately on his way down the bank.

Gribble pulled the first boy out with a branch, while two men held on to his ankles, then the police arrived to assist in the second rescue. Gribble said, “I don’t like being called a hero. I just reacted to a situation.”

New CSM for Ohio National Guard

BY D. S. DANKWORTH

Although his new assignment makes him representative for Ohio Army National Guard’s enlisted members, CSM William T. Oxley said his primary concern will be with non-commissioned officers.

“Improving the level of proficiency of NCOs of all grades; that’s going to be my primary concern,” said Oxley.

Maj. Gen. Raymond R. Galloway, the Ohio Adjutant General, recently appointed Oxley as the state’s highest ranking NCO. The appointment, which was effective June 6, came with the retirement of CSM Nathan B. McGlone.

Except for the two years he served in the Army during the Korean War, Oxley said, “I’ve been full-time Guard since the day I enlisted.” That was in 1949. Combining active and reserve duty, Oxley has served almost 33 years.

To fill his new assignment, Oxley left his sergeant major’s position at K Troop in Ashtabula, where he was sergeant major of 1st squadron of the 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Working in his office at Beightler Armory in Worthington, Oxley explained why he is concerned with the performance of Guard NCOs. “If they are doing their jobs, they’ll be looking out for their men. That’s what we want.”

He emphasized, however, that, “We’ll do everything we can for a soldier who has a problem and has gone through the proper channels.

“I think the Ohio National Guard is reaching the point where it will be capable of performing its (wartime) mission with a minimum of post-mobilization training. There are a lot of good men and women with good training in the Guard.”

But Oxley did add that training is still a major concern for him, “especially appearance, weight control and military courtesy.”

Oxley lives in Ashtabula with his wife of 29 years, Marilyn, and his daughter Sandra. He also has a son, William Jr.
Ohio Naval Militia gets new boss

BY JAMES A. DAY
196th Public Affairs Detachment

Commodore Robert J. Ver Burg has assumed command of the Ohio Naval Militia (ONM). The post had been held by former Ohio Governor John W. Brown.

The ceremony was held June 5, at Beightler Armory, headquarters for the Ohio National Guard in Worthington, Ohio. Special guests included Maj. Gen. Raymond R. Galloway, the Adjutant General of Ohio, and Thomas J. Ferguson, Ohio's State Auditor.

Ver Burg received his commission in 1944 from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and worked aboard troop and supply ships until 1945. He remained with the U.S. Naval Reserve until 1957. He has been with the ONM since its revival in 1978.

The Naval Militia was organized in 1896 as part of the military forces of the State of Ohio. It first saw duty in the Spanish American War and was mustered into service during both World Wars.

In addition to its military performance, it has served Ohio in many disasters including the flood of the Ohio River in 1937 and more recently has helped in the Xenia tornado aftermath.

The militia was deactivated at the end of World War II and was dormant until it's reactivation in 1978.

More interesting than Ohio having a naval militia is the fact that it receives no state funds. The officers and enlisted personnel serve without compensation.

One of the missions of the militia is to protect civilian boaters from the 32-square-mile impact area off the shore of Camp Perry. This area is used for test firings of large caliber artillery, anti-aircraft weapons, and for weapons qualification of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

Along with this, the ONM provides the Ohio National Guard with small boat operation and training for greater efficiency during disasters and floods.

Ver Burg's acceptance speech centered on his appreciation for the support of the officials and enlisted personnel. "You have shown a spirit that money cannot buy," he said.

He addressed the problems the units have in working with surplus government equipment and added, "You have demonstrated that every obstacle becomes a challenge to go ahead, not a roadblock."

The ceremony was followed by a reception.

Horseshoer prefers 'Red Horse'

BY DENNIS COY
200th CES

Even though the famous "Red Horse" 200th Air National Guard Civil Engineering Squadron does not have horses, one person working as the production controller of the vehicle maintenance shop leads you to believe they do.

Sgt. Tom Hussey, a full time technician, with the Squadron, also is a horseshoer part time. He is always talking about shoeing and breaking and he's an expert at that.

Hussey, a materials control analyst in production, was a seven year former Army vet, then became a horseshoer for about five years. Hussey said, "I liked shoeing horses full time, but I missed the military. Since the 200th CES was close to me, I joined the Air Guard." He attended Terra Technical College as an electrical engineer and landed the full time technician job at Camp Perry.

"The military puts you where they want you," said Hussey, "and I was selected to be in materials production control." This job entails keeping track of all ordering of vehicles' maintenance and analysis of man hours worked on vehicles by the mechanics.

"I still do horseshoeing for the Flat Rock Childrens Home on a volunteer basis. They could not afford someone to come in and take care of the horses at the orphanage otherwise," said Hussey.

Hussey is also an assistant to the unit marksmanship team. His hobbies are listening to classical music, especially Mozart, and raising chickens, horses and rabbits.
Training: not all Camp Perry has to offer

BY NANCY CLEVENGER

The Camp Perry training site is the only state owned training area in Ohio for the Ohio National Guard. In the past several years there have been many improvements to make it a more modern training site for the Guard members. But did you know that there are facilities at Camp Perry for you to bring your family, or for you to stay during training, for low military rates?

The Camp Perry Clubhouse area manager, 1st. Lt. Michael Corson, with assistance from Sp4 Joyce Dann, has made or initiated many improvements since his assignment at Camp Perry in 1980.

Those of you who have not taken advantage of the military rates available at Camp Perry may not know that there are many resort activities located in the immediate vicinity, to include Cedar Point. The area (Upper Sandusky) is known as the “walleye” capitol of the world. Camp Perry has the “Honorable Major General James C. Clem Fishing Pier” located where you fishermen can make such catches as walleye, bass, catfish or perch.

There is also a beach area, cleaned and made ready by the 200th Civil Engineering Squadron during their training for heavy equipment operations. There is a lifeguard on duty during the summer months at the beach. Tennis courts are also available.

There are 27 cottages, 63 motel rooms and nine guest rooms for rent, ranging in price from $8 to $25 depending on size of unit, and number of people renting them. All units that have kitchenettes are supplied with all utensils necessary for cooking. All you need do is bring the groceries.

There is a recreational vehicle park for full hook ups and self contained units. The park has 22 full hook ups and 14 self-contained units. There is a shower room and laundry for your use. Corson said, “Many retirees are taking advantage of these spaces year round.” There are monthly rates, but a full hook up is $6.75 per night and $4 per night for the self-contained spaces.

Corson said, “By not having phones, maid service and televisions in our rental units, we can keep our prices lower than most.” He added, “We want the Guard member to feel this is his/her own. In fact, anybody wanting to help out on vacation can be furnished with a paint brush.”

Plans for the future for the Ohio National Guard members include upgrading all inner circle cottages (interior decor), redoing roadways and possibly making the basement of the Clubhouse into a game room and dance area where Friday night dances could be held.

For reservations call (419) 635-2519. A rate sheet may be requested.
Guardsmen humanitarians to animals of forest

BY RAYMOND BROZ
AND
NEAL POWERS

Headquarters, 112th Engineer Battalion

War brings with it death and suffering, but National Guardsmen at Annual Training only see simulated combat action and the life and death drama is reduced to play acting. However, when the 112th Engineer Battalion moved to their bivouac locations, the soldiers were faced with real suffering and their humanitarian action saved the lives of 15 helpless baby animals.

The soldiers discovered a nest of 14 baby rabbits and their dead mother, who had been killed by a tractor.

"The mother rabbit had been dead for about a day when the quartering party found the nest," said media specialist PFC Paul Lewis of Youngstown. "She must have been protecting the babies when she got hit.

"We all took turns feeding and looking after them," Lewis said.

At first the medics could offer no more than water on cotton swabs to the thirsty creatures. Later, on the advice of a fellow Guardsman, who is a bio-chemistry major in college, they were dining on a "formula" of three parts milk, one part water and a pinch of sugar.

The babies took to the mixture well and were soon supplementing their diets with juicy, green blades of grass.

A week earlier, in a different field location, members of Company A's heavy equipment section found a fawn alone and apparently starving. For five days the animal was under the foster care of the National Guard, supervised by medic Sp4 Tim George.

"It was just a tiny thing, real easy to fall in love with," said one Guardsman.

When the unit returned from the field, the fawn was turned over to the Ottawa County Wildlife office and subsequently to the Toledo Zoo.
Infantry not 'hard nosed'

Some may say infantry men are 'hard nosed' but not true for the men of HHC 1147th Infantry Battalion, Cincinnati, Ohio. After the men heard radio announcer, Bob Trumpe, WLW-radio, telling on his show about a local girl scout troop's plight, the men jumped into full swing. The story was that the scouts, 8 and 9 years of age, had saved their money to go to a Reds baseball game. Having spent almost three hours in the stands waiting for rain to clear before the game began, the escorts decided the girls had been waiting long enough and asked the stadium manager for rain checks. Their request was denied and the girls were very disappointed.

The infantry unit's NCO Crossed Rifle Club decided this was unfair, called the radio station to find out who the girls were, and furnished them with new tickets for a future Reds game. Once again, it's Ohio's Guard taking care of its own.

Artillery is superior

Following its long distinguished tradition, 136th Field Artillery, Battery C, 1st Battalion, Piqua, recently received the superior award for exceptional unit performance. The award is bestowed upon company-sized units displaying a superior unit rating for the previous training year.

Battalion Commander Lt. Col. Thomas A. Middeler, Jr. presented the award and was later given recognition for his support with a red baseball cap with the words: Battery C, 1/136th FA, Piqua, Ohio inscribed on the front.

PHILIP C. LOOTENS

Gas mask safety

Members of Company C, 112th Engineer Battalion, Austintown, assisted area law enforcement officials by helping them learn the proper and effective use of a gas mask.

During the training seminar the unit members gave classroom instruction and then a hands on exercise involving the use of tear gas to test the wearing of their masks and its protective qualities.

Chief Joseph Rinko from the law enforcement office said, “Without these soldiers helping us, we could not have held the seminar and the mistakes we learned how to correct may some day save an officer’s life.”

Volunteers instructing the seminar were SSgts. Frank Hava and Joe Chance, Sgts. Ron Kollar, Paul Borys and Sp4 William Gollner.

Burton Meyers

Road builders

The construction of roads is one of the numerous tasks included in the duties of combat engineers. Second platoon of Charlie company, 112th Engineer Battalion, under the guidance of Sgt. Frank Starkey, of Youngstown, did just that.

They had to shave off the old road surface at Camp Perry, and then use a road grader to shape and bring the base level to the proper height as prescribed by the existing curb.

The main objective of second platoon was to prepare the road, and the Battalion headquarters parking lot, for the pavement base gravel.

"The project went fairly smooth," said Starkey. "The only problem we had, on the job, was the discovery of a drainpipe that had been previously paved over and consequently not on the site map."

This type of training is not only helping to maintain Camp Perry, but also prepares the men for such a task in a combat situation. Should an area be encountered that was impassable or a landing strip needed to be made, the expertise of the 112th Engineers can fulfill the mission of constructing a safe passageway or landing site.

Beyond the call of duty

Many times Guard duty requires additional hours besides the normal drill attendance. Troop L 3/107th Armored Cavalry Regiment has nine members, and Headquarters Troop, 3/107th ACR has one member which not only did their regular drill attendance, but went that extra step, as so many Guardmembers do, and just completed a six-week Basic Non-commissioned officers course (BNCOO) on their own time. The troops were SSgts. Michael Carovac, Jerry Gardner, Walter Walko, William Sentinek, Robert Schmidt, Peter Gureck, Sgt. Frederick Marcelli and Sp5 John Harrison from "L" Troop and Sp5 Ron Backos from HQ Troop.

SSgt. Joseph Burns

Buckeye Guard Deadline
29 August 1983 for October issue.
24 October 1983 for December issue.
Annual Ohio DA conference held

The 4th Annual Ohio Air National Guard Administrative Conference was hosted by the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing, at Rickenbacker ANGB, Columbus, Ohio.

The conference was attended by administrators from 11 Air Guard units throughout Ohio. Col. Joseph Vogel, executive officer, state headquarters, gave the opening remarks, thanking each member for attending the conference.

Capt. Robert L. Boggs, chief of administration for the 121st Tac Fighter Wing, Rickenbacker, presided over the conference. The reason for holding the conference was to provide a forum for administrators to join together and exchange ideas and compare notes, on present administrative practices and to work together on future proposals for the Air Guard; to ensure a more standardized present and future for the Ohio Air Guard.

Topics discussed included: Micrographics for staging areas, publications and forms management, office automation (Word Processing Equipment), and administrative training techniques.

Reunion of 148th

The second reunion of World War I, II, and Korean War veterans of the 148th Infantry Regiment, 37th (Buckeye) Infantry Division, will be held at Camp Perry, near Port Clinton, Ohio, August 26-27, 1983.

Interested parties to this celebrated unit wishing information, may contact Robert E. Albright, secretary, 2475 Case Lane, North Fort Meyers, Fla. 33903; (813) 997-0043.

R. S. Jackson

216th Training heavy duty

The 216th Combat Engineering Battalion, Company C, of the Ohio Army National Guard recently completed its annual two week training at Camp Perry, Ohio.

The first week of training was conducted while in full fighting gear. This included web gear, steel pot, M16 rifle, and gas mask.

The training projects included putting in a new road, allowing for ample drainage, placing culverts where needed, and developing a new training area for future use.

Some Guardsmen trained with the 40mm grenade launcher, a very effective weapon used against groups of enemy troops. Others trained with the 90mm recoilless rifle, a weapon designed for the destruction of tanks. Some of our members also went to a demolition range. Everyone took part in the Comet Inspection, which checks the upkeep of all equipment.

Richard Meadors

Hall of Fame inductee

SM Sgt. TED SCHWARTZ of the 200th Civil Engineering Squadron (Red Horse), Camp Perry, Ohio, was recently inducted into his Oak Harbor High School's Hall of Fame. Schwartz set a county record for the mile (4:40:8) and placed second at the 1948 State meet (4:34.5). His record stood for nearly 15 years. He is the unit's First Sergeant and Technician Administrative Supervisor.

Dennis Coy

Tanks fire at Knox

The tank crews of Company M 3/107th Armored Cavalry, Ravenna, have returned from a three day training exercise at Fort Knox, Ky. The crews fired stationary and moving engagements as they were being evaluated on crew duties and ammo conservation. All crews fired both day and night phases, and two crews, under the command of PSgts. Wayne Harris and Jim O'Connor fired distinguished. Company M also provided range support for Painesville's "L" troop armor units during their gunnery exercises.

The Company M soldier of the month was selected from the number one tank crew. It was gunner, Sp5 Curtis Liddle.

Jim O'Connor

Awareness leads to seminar

The United States Property and Fiscal Office (USPFO), for Ohio, conducted a logistics seminar at Rickenbacker Air National Guard base in May. The seminar was open to all technician property book officers and supply personnel responsible for maintaining organization property books.

The purpose of the seminar was to discuss recent and upcoming changes to the logistics system. Areas of discussion included property books, cold weather equipment, chemical defense equipment, office equipment, ammunition requests, supply records, mobilization files and turn in procedures.

The seminar was a direct result of visits to organizations by Sgt. Maj. Sherman Hagerman of the Logistics Section of the USPFO. During these visits general supply procedures and problem areas were discussed giving personnel the opportunity to talk to the "decision makers" and get their questions answered. Fifty-eight technicians attended.

Col. Thomas Farrell, the USPFO Officer for Ohio, is contemplating conducting future seminars for other logistical personnel that will be of assistance to the units and provide for more efficient and effective supply operations.

Robert D. Green

Servicemen of year honorees

Two Ohio National Guardsmen were honored on Armed Forces Day as "Servicemen of the Year."

Air Guard SSgt. Sherman W. Astrop, Jr. from 121st Tactical Fighter Wing and Army Guard SSgt. William Roger Moss, of Headquarters Company of the 16th Engineer Brigade, accepted the awards from the Armed Forces Community Relations Council.

Astrop has been a member of the 121st at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base since April of 1981. Moss entered Headquarters, Headquarters Company, of the engineer brigade unit on Howey Road, in Columbus in February of 1980.

Lt. Col. James B. Purdy, of the Air Force Reserve and chairman of the nominating committee for the awards, explained that the community relations council is a Columbus-based organization made of civilians and military personnel interested in fostering good relations between the community and the military.

Columbus Mayor Tom Moody and Maj. Gen. Raymond R. Galloway, Ohio Adjutant General, attended the Armed Forces Day program at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus, when Astrop and Moss received their awards.

The event is sponsored by the Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

Lost a former service friend?

How would you like to contact someone you served with years ago? Many people would like to, but they've lost track of the person's whereabouts. In spite of this fact, each service operates a locator service which will help you find a former buddy.

Who knows when or if you'll receive an answer, yet you're at least one step closer in finding the individual. Send your correspondence to:

Army: HQDA-DAAG-P5R, Alexandria, VA 22331
Navy: USN (NMPC-PSR), Washington, D.C. 20370
Air Force: AFMPC/D003, Randolph AFB, TX 78150
Marine Corps: HQ USMC (MSRB-13), Washington, D.C. 20380
Coast Guard: HQ USCG (G-PS-1), Washington, D.C. 20593
HHD STARC (Det 1)
Members of the Recruiting force were recipients of special awards. The Ohio Faithful Service Ribbon was presented to MSgt. ROBERT EVENER and the Meritorious Service Medal to MSgt. DAVID HERMAN, and Lt. Col. JOHN McKENNEY.

16th Engr Bde
Recent promotions in the 16th Engineer Brigade, Columbus were: to Sgt. KENNETH ALLER, BRADLEY WORTH, MARCIA GAIL and BRACKLYN TAYLOR; to Ssgt., DALMER WAGNER; to 1st Lt., HOWARD LATHAM, CHRISTINE ANGERER, PATRICK GIBSON and JAMES MANG; to Capt., ROBERT VERB; to Maj., CHARLES DAVIS and to CWO 4, ROBERT STURGILL.

54th Spt Cntr
The 54th Support Center, Worthington, Ohio, has a new Commander, Lt. Col. DWIGHT E. NORRIS. He replaced BENJAMIN D. ROWE who has transferred to the HHD, 16th Engineer Brigade, Columbus, for promotion to Col. Norris graduated from the resident Army War College in June.

134th Engr Grp
Fourteen promotions have been announced by Headquarters and Headquarters' Company, 134th Engineer Group in Hamilton as follows: to Pfc's, KEITH BAUM, CLINTON GARCIA, DONALD NICHTING, JAMES OVERBEY, JR., ETINA RAMSEY, GEOFFREY WALLACE and KENNETH WEIR; to Sp4's, CHRISTOPHER GAY, GARY JORDAN, RANDELL LINDSEY, FREDERICK MERKES, SHERRY L. SMITH, STEPHANIE WALLACE and DEBRA J. WEAVER.

121st Tac Ftr Wing
Promotions announced for June from the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing, Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base were as follows: to Tsgts., BENSON BRUMFIELD and JOEL KORTE; to Tsgt's., DAVID BAKER, TERRY HUGHES, RALPH JOHNSON, KENT OUSLEY, STEVEN OXLEY and KEVIN SKEETERS; to SrA's, PATRICK CALVIN, JAMIE KENNEDY, RONALD MADER, PAUL SCHULZE, and JERRY WILLEY; and to Airmen., GARY W. TIPTON.

112th Med Bde
The 112th Medical Brigade, Worthington, recently selected Sp4 THOMAS E. McCLOSKEY as Soldier of the Month for April.

220th EIS
JEFFREY B. HICKMAN, a member of 220th Engineering Installation Squadron, Zanesville, Ohio, was recently promoted to the rank of Tsgt. LAWRENCE KAVULICH was promoted to SrA, and DIRK VANNEDERVEEN became an A1C. Msgt. DANIEL J. CABEEN was chosen as the Outstanding Senior NCO for the period January - June 1983. Cabeen is the electronics technician for the 220th. SrA GREGG A. MEADOWS has been selected as Outstanding Guardmember.

The 220th Engineering Installation Squadron, Zanesville recently promoted DAVID COPELAND to Ssgt. and STEVE JONES to Sgt.

THOMAS T. FISHER joined the ranks of Airman 1st Class.
BRIAN DUTRO was also promoted to Ssgt.

Members of the Cleveland Recruiting Office were asked to visit Cleveland's Sunbeam School for the Handicapped.
SP C Charles Dade is seen talking with one of the students. This was the first opportunity for these children to sit in a jeep, talk on a military radio, and visit with a minuteman. (PHOTO BY JAMES PHILLIPS)
112th Trans Bn
The 112th Transportation Battalion, Middletown, recently announced the winners of the Colonel Robert P. Copeland Outstanding Soldier Award and the Colonel Raymond R. Trickler Outstanding Non-Commissioned Officer Award for 1982. Sp5 JOHN D. RAWLINS was the recipient of the Col. Copeland Award. He is a member of Detachment 1, 1487th Trans. Co., Eaton. SFC TED WILHOIT, a member of HHD, 112th Trans Bn, Middletown, was the recipient of the Col. Trickler Award.

The 1486th Trans. Co., Ashland was selected as the winner of the 1st Sgt. Roy D. Borts Outstanding Unit award for TY ’82, and also the National Guard Bureau Award for Efficiency in Maintenance. The Army Achievement Medal was presented Sp4s THERESA LAUER and JULIE MATRE, PFC SUSAN MILLER, Sp5 PAMELA GRAY and Sgt. GEORGE VANDEVENTER. The Meritorious Service Medal was presented to CWO 4s KENNETH McAFFEE and CHARLES MYERS. CSM JOHN E. BEEMAN who retired after 26 years service was awarded the Legion of Merit.

136th FA Btry A
Promotions were received by members of Battery A, 1/136th Field Artillery, Marion, as follows: Pvt. 2 DOUGLAS RAY, PFC ROGER DYSERT, Sp4 TOMMY CLAYPOOL and DENNIS DEREMER promoted to Sgt.

115th HEM
Congratulations to SGts. ALBERT F. BLATNIK and THOMAS J. BORRIS of Detachment 1, 155th HEM Company, Chagrin Falls, Ohio on their recent promotions.

Former Ohioan
Lt. Col. ROBERT BEZEK, formerly of Ohio, was awarded the Norwegian Home Guard Order of Merit by Home Guard Inspector General, Major General Ola Berg. He is presently stationed with the Office of Defense Cooperation at the American Embassy in Oslo.

237th Sp Bn Co B
Company B, 237th Support Battalion, Worthington recently promoted MSGT. BILL HALL.

Company D (Maintenance), 237th Support Battalion, Mt. Vernon, added a new stripe to the following: Cpl. HARRY B. WOTRING; to Sp4: ROBERT O. ALBERT, JR., WALLACE BLACKBURN, GARY BRADLEY, MARK JARRELS, and JAY PETERSON; to PFC. TONY BAGENT, CYNTHIA ESKWEL, RONALD PINKERTON, SCOTT SOWDERS AND RONALD WILLIAMS.

216th Engr Bn Co A
Sp4 JAMES J. CASE has been selected as Soldier of the Month for May by Company A, 216th Engineer Battalion, Chillicothe. SSGTs. ERNEST F. HAMM, ANTHONY LIMLE and TIMOTHY SIMPSON, SFCs CHARLES HUNT, Recruiter, KENNETH COTTRILL and THOMAS SHIVELEY have recently received promotions.

3/107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, M Company
There were several promotions given to members of the 3/107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Company M, Ravenna. PFCs recently promoted were: KEVIN BACHTEL, DAVID CONNER, MICHAEL MARTIN, MICHAEL MCCUMBERS, RONALD MESSNER, JIM RIFFLE, JAMES SMITH, FRANK TURNER; to Sp4, GARY LOW. PFC NATHAN BOLDEN was Guardsman of the Month for May.

166th Inf Co B
Recent promotions in Company B, 1/166th Infantry Battalion, Marysville, went to: Pvt. 2 RODNEY BLAND, DANNY GILMAN, JAMES HOLLINGSHEAD, TROY METHENY, CURTIS METZER, MARTIN MITCHELL, RAYMOND MUSIC, TED ROGERS, VINCENT SAHR, REX SHULTZ and CHRISTOPHER WOODS; to PFC, JOHN JOHNSON, ROBERT MORGAN, THOMAS SALYERS, DAVE WICKLINE and JOHN YODER; to Sp4, DARREN JONES, ALISTAIR NEAL, BRUCE WICKLINE and BRIAN BLODGERT; and to 1st Lt., TERRY KUNDERT. The following members received the Army Achievement Medal: Cpl. JOSEPH EBRIGHT, Sgts. RICHARD GREEN, DOUGLAS WEBB, BRYAN WOODEN and SSGt. LOREN PANCEKE. The Outstanding Guardsman of the Year for both Company B and the 166th Infantry Battalion was PFC KELLY FEASEL. He is attending the Ohio State University.

Company B, 1/166th Infantry, Det. 1, Marysville, recently was presented with the 100 percent strength ribbon by Lt. Col. DANIEL SNYDER, 166th Infantry Battalion Commander.

SSgt. JOHN STRICKLIN and SSGt. GEORGE SAMS, the unit recruiters, were given the honor of attaching this hard earned ribbon to the company guidon.

The company has reached 100 percent strength for the first time in over a decade. It was at 52 percent strength just six months ago.

The following soldiers were honored after the above ceremony for completing a two-day course in Basic Training Management: SSGts. JOHN HOLLOWAY, PAUL MOSER, RICHARD RIDGEWAY, CLARENCE SALYERS, and Sgts. RON STIDHAM, MICHAEL LATHAM, and 1st Sgt. JERRY SHIRK.

The Outstanding Soldier of the Year award was presented to Sgt. DONALD SEITZ. PFC KELLY FEASEL received the Guardsman of the Year Award.

Awards were also presented to members of the unit who earned the Expert Infantryman Badge (EIB). Cpl. ANDREW MOORE, Sgt. GERALD FORRIDER and 2nd Lt. DAVID HOSLER, Jr. earned their badges by competing, along with several hundred other guardsmen from the 73D Infantry Brigade, in the many tasks required to earn this honor.

Among the tasks to be passed were a 12-mile road march with rucksacks, map reading and orientation course, and obtaining an expert score with their M-16 rifles.

The final honor to be given to the unit during this ceremony was the award of First Lieutenants Bars to TERRY L. KUNDERT, the company commander.
1416th Trans Co (AVIM)(—)
Sgt. JACKIE A. COMPTON was selected as Soldier of the Month for April. She is a full time student at Ohio State University, majoring in Communications.

The Soldier of the Month for June is Pvt. 2 CHARLES A. BURLEY, also a student at Ohio State University. His major is Business Administration.

Three members of the unit promoted to PFC were CHARLES D. BALL, CHARLES A. BURLEY and SAM SHORT. TERESA HESS, DOUGLAS HOWELL, WILLIAM HUNT, JOHN PAPLACZYK, and MARK BOYCE are now holding the rank of Sp4. HOWARD BOYER extended for another three years and ROBERT HARPER signed up for six more, and an $1,800 bonus.

73D Infantry Brigade (Sep)
Several graduates from the Primary non-commissioned officer course, (PN Coc) held at Fort Custer, Mich. received special honors. The Land Navigation Award went to Sp4 OREN R. OATES, CSC, 1/148th Infantry, Findlay; Tactics Award was presented to Sp4 JEFFERY C. HARP, Company A Det. 1, Kenton; the Patrolling Award was received by Sgt. DAVID HARRIS, CSC, 1/166th Infantry, London; and the Honor Graduate of the total course was Sgt. LYNN DICKERSON, Company A 1/148th Infantry, Det. 1, Kenton.

HOW Btry 2/107th AC
BRUCE DONOHUE has been promoted to the rank of 1st Sgt. Promotions to the rank of PFC were given to: WILLIAM ALEXANDER, RANDALL BALSLEY, DOMINIC DALESANDRO, JERRY DURENDA, GENE FOLKWEIN, CHRIS EBERLY, ROBERT HAN- DY, WILLIAM MCGREW, ROBERT PILMER and KEVIN SCHEHL.

160th Air Ref Grp
The 160th Air Refueling Group, Rickenbacker, recently promoted Tsgts. JOSEPH JONES, JR., PAUL W. ROBERTS, DANA HEFNER and THOMAS PRICE. WILLIAM GALBREATH, CHARLES L OGLE, JOYCE BAUER, TERI FISHER, HOLLY FOSTER, KYLE ORR and MATTHEW WATKINS were promoted to Sgts. DOUGLAS DAVIDSON, RICHARD DORRINGTON, ANTHONY HINTON, WILLIAM McCADDEN, BRYAN J. REINHART and REGINALD TEAMER received another stripe to SrA; and BRET CAR- LYLE and CATHERINE FLANNERY now hold the rank of Amn.

Btry B 2/174th ADA
GEORGE M. DUMOLT, a member of Battery B, 2/174th Air Defense Artillery, in New Lexington, was recently promoted to Sgt. He is a squad leader in 2nd Platoon.

BERNARD MINER, commander of Btry, B, also got promoted. He was awarded his captain's bars. 1st Lt. WILLIAM ELICK has been assigned as their Executive Officer.

251st Com Comm Grp
251st Combat Communications Group, Springfield, recently promoted Lt. Col. EDWARD C. MORLEY, Director of Personnel.

WILLIS WALDRON has been selected as the Outstanding Second Lieutenant of the Ohio Air National Guard for 1982.

Sp5 JOHN F. TITCOMBE, HHD 371st Support Group, Kettering, received the honor of Outstanding Guardmember for 1982-83. Titcombe is a food service specialist.

416th Engr Grp
Congratulations to newly promoted Lt. Col. VIVIAN F. DUFFY, a member of 416th Engi- neer Group, Wallbridge. Recent promotions were received by PFCs TROY HOGAN, ROBERT J. DAVIS and PATRICK D. FIN- CHER, Sp5s MIKE WILLOUGHBY, RANDY ASPACHER, and TIM ARMSTRONG; to Ssgt., T.J. MILLER, and to Mssgt., PHILIP J. WESLEY.

512th Engr Bn
Ssgt. MARGARET GUENTHER, Sgt. CRAIG KLIMON, PFCs ERIC COLE, TIMOTHY DAVIS and MARGARETTE THOMAS, members of 512th Engineer Battalion, Cincinnati, received their new stripes during recent ceremonies.

612th Engr Bn Co B
Company B, 612th Engineer Battalion, Fremont, recently promoted the following: to PFC, PAUL APPLE, JEFFERY BAKER, TODD DROLL, LARRY FLYOR, JR., RICHARD GIN- NEVER, BRADLEY HARMAN and DAVID M. TORRES; and to Sp4, ROBERT BLISS.

1416th Trans Co
Sp5 ROY GAINES was selected as Soldier of the Year for 1416th Transportation Company, Worthington. PFC TERESA L. HESS was selected as Soldier of the Month for May. She is enrolled in Franklin University, majoring in accounting.

Run for your life
Certificates and patches awarded to runners of the Run For Your Life program have been received by the following:

50 miles completed

100 miles completed

200 miles completed

300 miles completed

1,000 miles completed

2,500 miles completed
Maj. Edwin E. Hall, 54th Support Center, Worthington; SFC Douglas A. Green, HHD, Worthington; and Mssgt. Thomas DeVitt, HHC 73rd Infantry Brigade, Columbus.

For information on the Run for Your Life program see your unit administrator.

Travel uniform changes
The Army’s new policy for wearing uniforms while traveling became effective July 1, 1983. The new policy supersedes paragraph 1-48 of AR 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia. The policy’s purpose is to ensure that when uniforms are required for travel in the public sector, the individual maintains the high standards of military neatness.

The policy does require that when traveling in uniform in the public sector (including commercial terminals), the complete Army green uniform must be worn. The black wind-breaker or pullover sweater are not to be worn as part of the complete Army green uniform when traveling. When aboard a con- veyance (bus, train, plane) you may remove your green coat.

When traveling by private or commercial transportation, civilian clothing may be worn unless otherwise specified by your commander. When traveling aboard DOD owned or MAC controlled flights, you must be in your complete Army green uniform to leave from our Ohio bases.
BY NANCY CLEVENER

It was with a great deal of pride and anticipation that dignitaries throughout the Department of Army and State of Ohio, along with a large audience of military and civilian personnel, gathered on the front lawn of Beightler Armory in Worthington, Ohio.

For the first time in the State of Ohio, and only the second time for the National Guard, a “Black Hawk” helicopter was being delivered to a National Guard unit. Our sister state of Kentucky received a “Black Hawk” last year for their National Guard and we are proud to be the second National Guard unit to receive this unbeatable multi-mission helicopter.

The “Black Hawk”, designed by Sikorsky, was presented to the Governor of Ohio, Richard Celeste, by Mr. William Minter, Vice President of Sikorsky, during the prestigious ceremony. Celeste turned the keys over to Maj. Gen. Raymond R. Galloway, the Adjutant General, who expressed his “...appreciation and pleasure at receiving this valuable piece of equipment on behalf of the Ohio National Guard.”

The new helicopter will be permanently assigned to the 1416th Transportation Company (AVIM Det 1), Akron-Canton Aviation Support Facility.

This is the first helicopter designed to carry a full infantry squad (11 soldiers) into combat at 145 knots under hot day conditions. It is believed to be the Army’s most cost-effective tactical transport helicopter. The “Hawk” gives a commander the additional tactical mobility and firepower vital to the successful completion of air mobile combat assault missions. It gives the pilot the kind of aircraft he can be confident will get him in and out of tight spots with speed and safety.

The “Black Hawk” is considered a pilot’s aircraft...a soldier’s aircraft. The great speed and lift capability allow for quick on the spot decisions by ground commanders enabling them to cope with changing battlefield conditions. It has more efficient MEDEVAC capability, more productive and cost effective air logistics capability, and improves the multi-mission capability for the Ohio National Guard.
HOW CAN I FLY IN ALL THIS STUFF? - "Fighter Pilot" Kevin Kelly models flight gear for his fellow kindergarten students from Canal Winchester during a recent tour of Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base. Assisted by TSgt. Dennis Lambright, a Life Support Specialist with the 121st Tactical Fighter Wing at Rickenbacker, Kevin was able to experience what the A-7D Corsair II fighter pilots of the 121st wear into combat. (Photo by Tom Foley)