UNIT HISTORICAL SKETCH

TROOP A, 2D SQUADRON, 107TH CAVALRY REGIMENT

GREENVILLE, OHIO

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Troop A, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment was organized May 22, 1951, in Greenville as Battery B, 180th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion. On Sept. 1, 1959, the battery was redesignated as Battery B, 1st Gun Battalion, 174th Artillery. In 1962, a new armory was built for the unit in Greenville to replace the inadequate leased buildings at the Treaty City Airport, located northeast of the city.

On Feb. 1, 1972, the battery was converted to an engineer unit and was redesignated as Company B, 372d Engineer Battalion. On Jan. 1, 1994, the company was converted to Company C, 1st Battalion, 147th Armor and was assigned as an element of the 28th Infantry Division. On Sept. 1, 1994, the assignment was changed to the 38th Infantry Division.

On Oct. 1, 2003, the unit was redesignated as Troop C, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry and was ordered into federal service the following July for a mobilization to Kosovo. As part of Task Force Falcon, the troop earned the Army Superior Unit Award for their support of the NATO peacekeeping mission in the county. In 2006, the troop was once again mobilized and deployed to Iraq in support of the War on Terrorism.

On Sept. 1, 2007, the troop returned to the 28th Infantry Division as the reconnaissance element for the division's 2d Brigade Combat Team. On March 1, 2008, the troop was redesignated as Troop A, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment and has been organized under this designation since. The squadron was reassigned to the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team on Sept. 1, 2017.

As part of the Buckeye Brigade, the troop returned to federal service in 2022 and deployed to Syria, where the unit supported Combined Special Operations Joint Task Force-Levant, focusing on advising, assisting and enabling Syrian Democratic Forces with the enduring defeat of ISIS. The troop returned to Greenville in 2023 and earned the Meritorious Unit Commendation for their exceptionally meritorious service.

HERALDIC ITEMS

DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA

Description/Blazon: A Gold color metal and enamel device 1 1/8 inches (2.86 cm) in height overall consisting of a shield blazoned: Or, on a bend Gules between a Roman Sword in sheath point to base and a prickly pear cactus both Vert, three alerions of the field. Attached below the shield a Gold scroll inscribed "FACERE NON DICERE" in Red.

Symbolism: The shield is yellow for Cavalry. The bend charged with the alerions, taken from the arms of Lorraine, is representative of World War I service and is red to indicate that the 107th Cavalry served as Field Artillery during World War I. The Roman Sword in sheath is for Spanish-American War service and the cactus for Mexican Border duty. The motto translates to "To Act, Not To Speak."

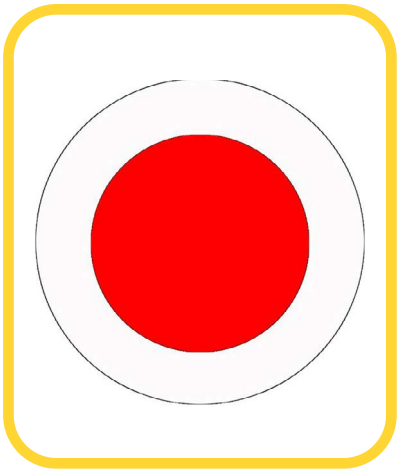
Background: The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for the 107th Cavalry Regiment, Ohio National Guard on 7 March 1927. It was amended to correct the description on 16 July 1927. It was redesignated for the 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment on 15 January 1952. The insignia was redesignated effective 1 September 1993, for the 107th Cavalry Regiment with description and symbolism updated.

COAT OF ARMS

Blazon:
Shield: Or, on a bend Gules between a Roman Sword in sheath point to base and a prickly pear cactus both Vert, three alerions of the field.
Crest: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Ohio Army National Guard: On a wreath Or and Gules, a sheath of seventeen arrows Argent bound by a sprig of buckeye (Aesculus glabra) fructed Proper (two leaves with bursting burr).
Motto: FACERE NON DICERE (To Act, Not To Speak).

Symbolism: The shield is yellow for Cavalry. The bend charged with the alerions, taken from the arms of Lorraine, is representative of World War I service and is red to indicate that the 107th Cavalry served as Field Artillery during World War I. The Roman Sword in sheath is for Spanish-American War service and the cactus for Mexican Border duty.

Background: The coat of arms was originally approved for the 107th Cavalry Regiment, Ohio National Guard on 8 March 1927. It was amended to correct the wording of the blazon of the shield on 17 June 1927. It was redesignated for the 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio National Guard on 15 January 1952. The insignia was amended to add the crest of the State of West Virginia on 22 March 1971. It was amended to delete the crest of the State of West Virginia on 3 April 1975. The coat of arms was redesignated effective 1 September 1993, for the 107th Cavalry Regiment.



SHOULDER SLEEVE INSIGNIA

Description/Blazon: On a white disc 2 1/4 inches (5.72 cm) in diameter a red disc 1 1/2 inches (3.81 cm) in diameter.

Symbolism: The red and white disc is taken from the State Flag of Ohio.

Background: The shoulder sleeve insignia was originally approved for the 37th Division on 5 November 1918. It was redesignated for the 16th Engineer Brigade on 9 July 1968. It was canceled on 4 December 1969. The insignia was reinstated and redesignated effective 1 September 2007, for the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, with the description updated and a symbolism added.

LINEAGE AND HONORS

Organized and Federally recognized 22 May 1951 in the Ohio Army National Guard at Greenville as Battery B, 180th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1959 as Battery B, 1st Gun Battalion, 174th Artillery

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1963 as Battery B, 1st Automatic Weapons Battalion, 174th Artillery

Reorganized and redesignated 15 February 1968 as Battery B, 1st Battalion, 174th Artillery

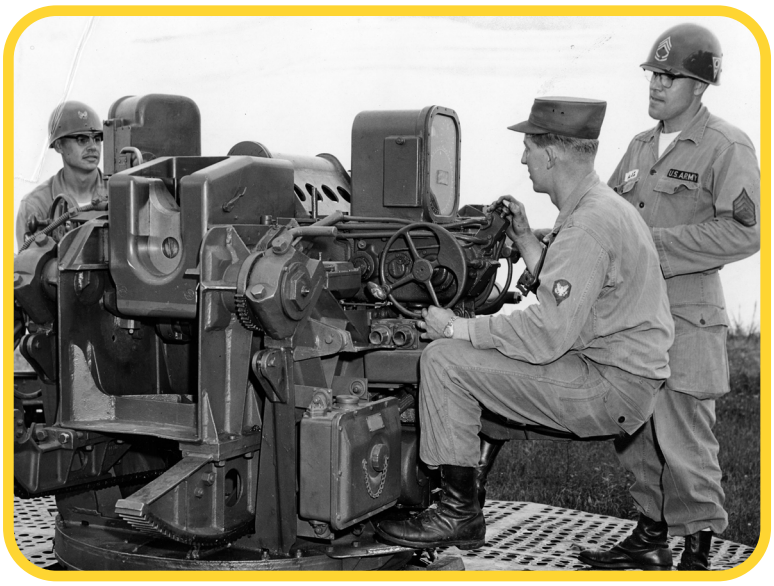
Converted, reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1972 as Company B, 372d Engineer Battalion

Converted, reorganized and redesignated 1 January 1994 as Company C, 1st Battalion, 147th Armor, an element of the 28th Infantry Division

(147th Armor assigned 1 September 1994 to the 38th Infantry Division)

Reorganized and redesignated 1 October 2003 as Troop C, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry

Ordered into active Federal service 5 July 2004 at Greenville



From left, Spc. Gene Schoenhoben, Spc. G. Teagarden and Sgt. 1st Class G. Grote, members of Battery B, 180th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, operate the M1 90 mm antiaircraft gun during annual training at Locust Point, Camp Perry, Ohio in July 1959.

Gin pole raising, 2d Platoon, Company B, 372d Engineer Battalion, circa 1990.

Company C, 1st Battalion, 147th Armor, Dec. 4, 1999.

A Soldier from Troop C, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry climbs a ladder to inspect a barn for contraband during Operation Toulouse Noose in Kosovo in December 2004.

Troop C, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavlary Regiment, 2006.

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as Troop C, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment

Released from active Federal service 1 November 2005 and reverted to state control

Ordered into active Federal service 27 June 2006 at Greenville

(107th Cavalry Regiment assigned 1 September 2007 to the 2d Brigade Combat Team, 28th Infantry Division)

Released from active Federal service 23 December 2007 and reverted to state control

Reorganized and redesignated 1 March 2008 as Troop A, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment

(107th Cavalry Regiment assigned 1 September 2017 to the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team)

Ordered into active Federal service 23 September 2022 at Greenville; released from active Federal service 27 October 2023 and reverted to state control

HOME STATION: Greenville

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

Kosovo
Kosovo Defense

War on Terrorism
Iraq:
National Resolution
Iraqi Surge

(Additional campaigns to be determined)

DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered: SOUTHWEST ASIA 2022-2023

Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered: 2004-2005

Troop A, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment, 2008.

Spc. Caleb Fulton, of Troop A, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment, uses his binoculars to scout out enemy movement during a rehearsal for Operation Brave Warrior in Veszprem, Hungary, July 17, 2017 .

Soldiers assigned to Troop A, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment conduct a training lesson to Syrian Free Army Fighters near al-Tanf, Syria, May 17, 2023.

PAST COMMANDERS

BATTERY B,
180TH ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY BATTALION
1951-1952: 1st Lt. Howard E. Dile Jr.
1952-1953: Capt. Thurl C. Van Kirk
1953-1957: 1st Lt. Billie E. Burkett
1957-1959: 1st Lt. John E. Stevenson
1959: 1st Lt. William F. Graves

BATTERY B, 1ST BATTALION,
174TH ARTILLERY
1959-1960: 1st Lt. William F. Graves
1960-1962: Capt. John Carr
1962-1966: Capt. James A. Scholz
1966-1970: Capt. Wilbur D. Sleppy
1970-1972: Capt. Charles E. Gardner

COMPANY B, 372D ENGINEER BATTALION
1972-1974: Capt. Charles E. Gardner
1974-1976: Capt. Michael K. Koeller
1976-1977: Capt. Roger E. Rowe
1977-1979: Capt. James D. Pleasant Jr.
1979-1981: Capt. Steven R. Young
1981-1983: Capt. Kenneth J. Abel
1983-1984: Capt. Jackie L. Richards
1984-1985: 1st Lt. Robert J. Mitchell
1985-1987: Capt. Jeffrey A. Hissong
1987-1989: 1st Lt. Daniel S. Johnson
1989-1991: Capt. Edward D. Freese
1991-1992: Capt. Robert C. Heaton Jr.
1992-1993: Capt. David W. Olstrom
1993-1994: Capt. George R. Doorley

COMPANY C, 1ST BATTALION,
147TH ARMOR
1994-1996: Capt. George P. Doorley
1996-1997: Capt. Sean C. Hart
1997-1998: Capt. Tyson A. Johnson
1998-2000: Capt. Kevin G. Davis
2000-2002: Capt. Jeffrey H. Leroy
2002-2003: Capt. Robert A. Hixenbaugh

TROOP C, 2D SQUADRON,
107TH CAVALRY REGIMENT
2003-2005: Capt. Daniel J. Long
2005-2008: Capt. David M. Haynes
2008: Capt. Matthew J. Meyer

TROOP A, 2D SQUADRON,
107TH CAVALRY REGIMENT
2008-2009: Capt. Matthew J. Meyer
2009-2010: Capt. Aaron D. Keighley
2010-2013: Capt. Nathaniel J. Manbeck
2013-2014: Capt. Adam W. Roth
2014-2015: 1st Lt. Sascha K. Miller
2015-2016: Capt. Daniel S. Hibler
2016-2019: Capt. Eric P. Brown
2019-2021: Capt. Lance L. Foos
2021-2024: Capt. Daniel C. Sunderlin
2024-2025: Capt. Dylan K. Salyers
2025-2026: Capt. Caleb B. Welch

Capt. Rowe

Capt. Pleasant

Capt. Richards

Capt. Hissong

Capt. Doorley

Capt. Davis

Capt. Leroy

Capt. Long

Capt. Haynes

Capt. Meyer

Capt. Keighley

Capt. Manbeck

Capt. Hibler

Capt. Welch

PAST FIRST SERGEANTS

BATTERY B, 1ST BATTALION, 174TH ARTILLERY
1959-1970: 1st Sgt. Irven C. Murphy

COMPANY B, 372D ENGINEER BATTALION
1972-1976: 1st Sgt. Irven C. Murphy
1978: 1st Sgt. Robert D. Bradley
1978-1982: 1st Sgt. Donnie Stowe
1982-1984: 1st Sgt. Dean A. Eby
1984-1985: 1st Sgt. Robert N. Alspaugh
1987-1991: 1st Sgt. Michael L. Johnson
1991-1992: 1st Sgt. James E. Fetters
1992-1993: 1st Sgt. Gailen L. Wilson

COMPANY C, 1ST BATTALION, 147TH ARMOR
1994-2001: 1st Sgt. Gailen L. Wilson
2001-2003: 1st Sgt. Scott M. Barga

TROOP C, 2D SQUADRON, 107TH CAVALRY REGIMENT
2003-2004: 1st Sgt. William J. Nelson
2004-2005: 1st Sgt. Steven D. Shepherd
2005-2006: 1st Sgt. Phillip R. Metz
2006-2007: 1st Sgt. Steven D. Shepherd
2007-2008: 1st Sgt. William J. Nelson

TROOP A, 2D SQUADRON, 107TH CAVALRY REGIMENT
2008-2010: 1st Sgt. William J. Nelson
2010-2013: 1st Sgt. Michael D. Burress
2013-2016: 1st Sgt. Dale C. Haas
2016-2018: 1st Sgt. Gordon L. Cairns
2018-2022: 1st Sgt. Gaylord J. Proxmire III
2022-: 1st Sgt. Michael P. Perrin

1st Sgt. Murphy

1st Sgt. Barga

1st Sgt. Nelson

1st Sgt. Shepherd

1st Sgt. Metz

1st Sgt. Burress

1st Sgt. Cairns

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