



145th TAG is 'Best Aircrew,' 3rd overall in 1990 'Airlift Rodeo' competition

by Lt. Col. Pete Wyro
Editor

North Carolina's 145th Tactical Airlift Group, from Charlotte, representing the Air Guard's 123rd Tactical Airlift Wing, captured the "Best U.S. Aircrew," and was third in "Best Overall" competition in the 1990 "Airlift Rodeo" competition held in June at Pope Air Force Base, N.C.

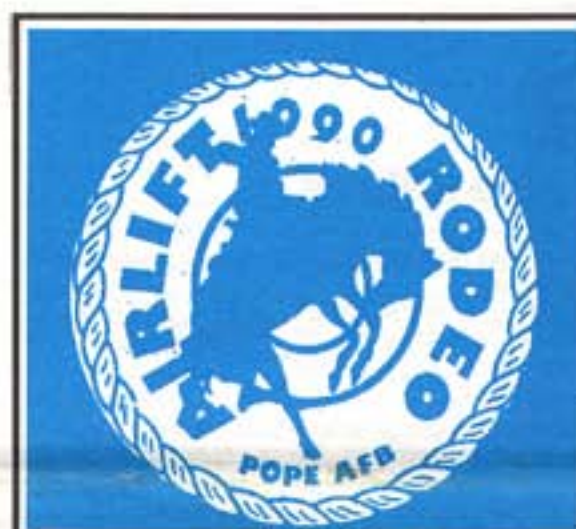
Competing against fellow Military Airlift Command (MAC) units from the active Air Force, Air Force Reserve and other Air Guard units, the "Tar Heel" Guardsmen continued their quest for first place.

In April, the North Carolina C-130 unit's aircrews captured their third consecutive "Sentry Rodeo" first place win in a contest which pitted them against fellow Air Guard units. They, along with six other Air Guard finalists in the "Sentry Rodeo" competition, were then chosen to compete as Air Guard representatives in the worldwide "Airlift Rodeo" contest.

WORLDWIDE COMPETITION

The worldwide nature of the competitors for "Airlift Rodeo" were evident in the lengthy list of nations represented. They included flight crews from Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, West Germany, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Thailand and the United Kingdom.

Their purpose throughout the competition was to determine which crew could place the correct load, on the correct target, at the right time. Not an easy task considering the conditions under which each



flight had to be completed.

Under contest rules, each flight would last for about one hour and would include specific take-off times, routes, airspeeds and altitudes. Points would

be deducted for each failure to fly the specific mission according to its plan. For example, if take-off was more than one minute later than the specified time, points were deducted from the overall score.

Following take-off, the aircrews had to navigate through six "turn" points which required them to navigate to the point, usually a terrain feature such as a river bend, identify it, and then turn the aircraft so that the terrain feature passed beneath the lower edge of one of cockpit windows. Crews were penalized points for excessive maneuvering to execute their turning point requirements.

OVERALL WINNER

With a total of 6,364 points, the North Carolina airlift unit trailed the ultimate winner, the Air Force's 63rd Military Airlift Wing, Norton Air Force Base, Calif., which had a score of 6,467, and second-place finisher, Israel, which scored 63,383. Just 19 points separated the Tar Heel aircrews from second place.

Other Air Guard competitors whose scores placed them in the "winners" circles included the 133rd Tactical Airlift Wing, represented by the 167th Tactical Airlift Group, Martinsburg, W. Va. which shared the "Best Joint Inspection" team honors with the Air Force's 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, Pope Air Force Base, N.C.

The 130th Tactical Airlift Group, Charleston, S.C., representing the 137th Tactical Airlift Wing took the honors for the "Best C-130/C-160 Engine Running On/Offload(ERO)" team.

High Court upholds 'Montgomery' law

Ends four-year debate on state/federal rights over National Guard training

The U.S. Supreme Court, on June 11th, affirmed a lower court ruling which upheld the four-year old "Montgomery Amendment" and ended debate on whether the federal government could order state National Guard members to participate in peacetime training missions overseas without the consent of their governors.

Writing the unanimous decision of the court in "Perpich versus Department of Defense," Justice John Paul Stevens said that instead of infringing on states' rights, the Montgomery amendment "merely recognizes the supremacy of federal power in the area of military affairs."

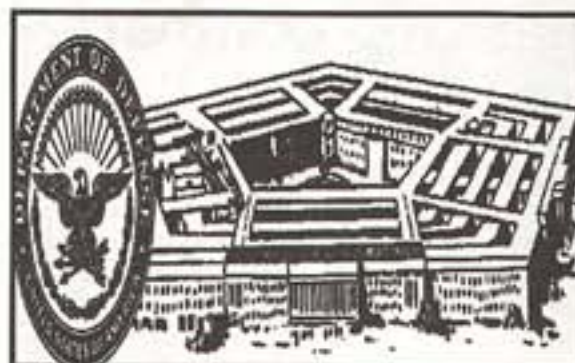
AMENDMENT ORIGINS

The Montgomery amendment was enacted in 1986 after several governors, objecting to Ragan Administration Central America Policy, challenged the authority of the federal government to order their National Guard troops to that region for training in absence of a national emergency.

Minnesota Gov. Rudy Perpich and Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis challenged the federal government's authority through suits in lower courts.

The legal processes gradually elevated the matter to the Supreme Court, which agreed to hear arguments in the suit brought by Perpich in "Perpich versus Department of Defense." However, last year, the court refused to hear an appeal from the Massachusetts governor. A lower appeals court had ruled against Perpich paving the way for the confrontation in the nation's highest tribunal.

Lawyers for Perpich had argued that by ordering their National Guard personnel to training without the governor's consent, the federal government was interfering with the respon-



sibility and authority of the governors to "train the militia," under the so called "Militia" Clause of the U.S. Constitution.

Faced with the dissent of several governors, in 1986 Rep. G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery, (D, Miss.) introduced a bill which prohibited a governor from withholding his consent for National Guard training on the basis of "objection to the location, purpose, type or schedule," of the training. When enacted, it became known as the "Montgomery Amendment."

ADDITIONAL REASONS

In his written opinion for the court, Justice Stevens also wrote, "If the discipline required for effective service in the Armed Forces of a global power requires training in distant lands, or distant skies, Congress has the authority to provide it."

The court also said that under a 1933 law, individuals who

enlist in their state National Guard are deemed to enlist simultaneously in the National Guard of the United States, which is part of the Army, a federal force. Under this "dual enlistment" provision, Guard members who are called up for Federal service are "thereby relieved" of their status in their respective state Guard "for the entire period of the federal service."

The court ruling in June confirmed the lower court ruling that Perpich did not have authority to withhold permission for his National Guard members to train in Central America. A lower court had issued a similar decision against efforts by Massachusetts governor Dukakis to block the training of members of his National Guard in Central America. Dukakis's options were eliminated when the Supreme Court refused to hear his appeal last year.

IMPACT IMPORTANT

The decision by the Supreme Court lays to rest questions concerning National Guard overseas training, indirectly attesting to the significant role the Guard has in the national defense today and the need which it has to be able to mobilize and deploy to distant, unfamiliar training areas in the world.

In the 1980's more than 30,000 Army National Guard personnel deployed overseas, either individually or as members of complete units to engage in training which most authorities consider the most authentic, challenging and rewarding training possible.

With increased reliance placed on its ability to respond to requirements on a world-wide basis, the significance of the ruling for the National Guard could not be underscored.

1,000,000th GI Bill participant, others honored in White House ceremony

Eleven members of the U.S. Armed Forces including an Army National Guardsman were present in the White House Rose Garden on June 5th when President George Bush and other Congressional and Defense Department leaders honored the Army's One Millionth participant in what has come to be known as the "Montgomery G. I. Bill."

Spec. Timothy J. Bruner of represented the Army National Guard on the occasion in which the author of the bill which was enacted in 1985, Rep. G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery, (D-Miss.), presented plaques commemorating the event to the military service participants.

"Today, we recognize these fine young men and women who are serving their country and who also want to continue their education to make themselves better citizens," Montgomery commented.

President Bush noted, "The Montgomery G.I.

Bill ranks as one of the most practical and cost-efficient programs ever devised," adding that the bill represents one of the federal government's best investments.

The program has more than paid for itself. Even as pay-outs increase, four decades of experience have shown...increased earnings from educated G.I.s means an increase in tax revenues for America," President added.

President Bush also agreed with Defense Secretary Richard "Dick" Cheney that the military has saved in training costs because the G.I. bill has attracted more intelligent soldiers and has been attributed to lower attrition rates.

The Army's One Millionth G.I. Bill participant was Pfc Darrell S. BOWens, assigned to the 3rd Infantry Regiment, the Old Guard, at Ft. Meyer, Va.

'On Guard' increases mailings to units

This issue of "On Guard" marks a departure from previous issues with separate and additional mailings to each unit of the Army and Air National Guard.

In addition to the one copy of "On Guard" which has in the past been mailed to the unit along with various inserts such as posters or flyers, beginning with this issue, a second copy of "On Guard" is being mailed to the unit, as well.

The second copy will not include, in most cases, extra copies of inserted materials, but will contain only the tabloid newspaper.

The decision to increase mailings of "On Guard" was made in response to an increase of almost three times the amount of interest and utilization of the newspaper being shown compared to previous issues of the newspaper in its former bulletin board format.

Adding to the decision was the fact that the numbers of units seeking to place articles in the newspaper has more than doubled since it began publication in its newspaper format.

Units having questions concerning the extra mailings should contact the editor of the newspaper.

COMMENTARY

Mickey Siegel- 'unsung heroine',retires

May marked the end of one career for one of the National Guard Bureau's "unsung" heroines, a woman known for her warmth and humanity as much as her skills and expertise in advertising.

She was McMillan T. Siegel, known to friends and associates alike simply as "Mickey." And, from the beginnings of the National Guard entry into the national recruiting advertising arena and its competition with the active military services and their "reserve" extensions for an ever dwindling pool of available "man" and "woman" power, until her retirement from federal civil service the end of May, she was a mainstay in first organizing and directing much of the Guard Bureau's successful advertising campaigns, and later in ensuring the success and economy of its advertising efforts.

In fact, from her background as an advertising director with the Army's recruiting command in Baltimore, Md., she became a proven, valuable talent and source of advertising know-how that made it possible for the National Guard to launch major ad

campaigns, and ensure the success of each advertising campaign.

In more recent years, as the advertising planning and execution shifted to the recruiting managers' offices, Mickey was instrumental in keeping the processes moving through a detailed and often exasperating procurement process which seemed a maze to many.

Her efforts have paved the way for ad projects in individual states, representation by the Guard at more than 20 national conventions almost every year in the late 70's and the 80's, the creation of dynamic and effective ads for newspapers, magazines and television.

Recruiting managers and members of the ad agency alike will point to one person who made their efforts happen. That person was "Mickey" Siegel. For her selfless, consistent and exemplary efforts we recognize her in this "Parting Shot."

Editor

ARNG shooters seize 8 of 12 titles in Army-wide marksmanship contests

by Maj. Jim D. Henderson

Army National Guard shooters seized eight of twelve top titles in the U.S. Army Small Arms Championships held at Fort Benning, Ga. in May.

Competing against active Army and Army Reserve teams, the National Guard marksmanship experts won team and individual titles in combat rifle, combat pistol, M-60 light machinegun (LMG) and national match pistol categories.

National Guard competitors also placed second in national match rifle individual and third in team aggregate competition while capturing third place in sniper and fourth in team total scoring.

Pennsylvania's 28th Signal battalion team captured the combat rifle championships outpacing 14 other teams and outscoring its nearest competitor from the Vermont National Guard by 355 points. Team member, Staff Sgt. David Kerin won the individual title for the second year in a row.

Shooters from Vermont's 186th Forward Support battalion blasted their way to the team combat pistol championships outshooting 16 other teams in the process. In this category, team member Staff Sgt. Lawrence T. Grace won the individual championship award.

California repeated its 1988 and 1989 performance as winners in the M-60 LMG competition by outgunning 13 other teams. Staff Sgt. David G. Binford from Jackson, Tenn. was the individual winner in this category outscoring 51 other competitors.

The First U.S. Army National Guard team captured the match pistol championship with Tennesseean, Staff Sgt. Patrick O. Powell, the individual champion.

In other competition, Sixth Army's National Guard team was third in match rifle team competition, and the team from Maine's 3rd Battalion, 172nd Infantry was third in the sniper rifle championships.



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Chief Master Sgt. Moon is new Air Guard Sr. Enlisted Advisor

Chief Master Sgt. Richard A. Moon is the new Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Director, Air National Guard. He is responsible for all affairs concerning the enlisted personnel of the Air National Guard.

Moon previously was Commandant of the Air National Guard Noncommissioned Officers (NCO) Academy and Leadership School, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tenn. He replaced Chief Master Sgt. Richard M. Green, who will return to Arkansas.

Chief Moon began his military career by joining the U. S. Navy in August 1963 where he served until April, 1968. He then joined the Iowa Air National Guard in January 1972 and served as Fire Protection Supervisor and First Sergeant.

In October, 1981 he was selected to serve on active duty at the National Guard Support Center, Andrews Air Force Base, M.D., as a Career Advisor. In 1983, he began a tour at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., as an Air National Guard Liaison NCO and Instructor at the Air Force First Sergeant Academy.

In 1985, Moon served as the Department Chief for the Military Studies section at the Air National Guard NCO Academy and Leadership School, McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tenn. His military career continued with the assignment to Headquarters Air

Training Command (ATC), Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, serving as the ANG Advisor to the Commander ATC. He assumed duties as the Commandant of the Air National Guard Non-commissioned Officer Academy and Leadership School in July 14, 1988.

Moon graduated from the Air Force Senior NCO Academy at Gunter Air Force Base, Ala. He is also a graduate of the ANG NCO Academy at McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tenn., where he was recognized as the Commandant's Award winner for the class.

He also graduated from the Air Force Sergeants Academy at Keesler AFB, Miss., and the Air Force Academic Instructor School and the Technical Instructor School.

Chief Moon's military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Achievement Medal, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Good Conduct Medal with one oak cluster, the National Defense Service medal, the Air Force Longevity Award Ribbon with four oak leaf clusters, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one hourglass device, the Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Award with two oak leaf clusters, the Small



Chief Master Sgt. Richard A. Moon

Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, the State of Iowa Leadership Ribbon, and the Iowa State Service Ribbon. He was also honored as the Outstanding Senior Airman, 185th Civil Engineering Flight, Sioux City, Iowa, in 1975 and 1980.

Chief Moon is married to the former Margaret E. Heider of Sioux City, Iowa. They have three daughters: Julie, Kimberly, and Molly.

'Operation Golden Caduceus'

Louisiana's 159th MASH put to the test

by 1st Lt. Maria L. Jonkers
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About 400 military personnel from throughout Louisiana conducted "Operation Golden Caduceus," a medical exercise at Camp Villere in Slidell, La.

The exercise tested the 159th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital's (MASH) new deployable medical system (DEPMED) the New Orleans MASH's new moveable 60-bed hospital complex.

Secured within a compound this system has been with the 159th since August. It remains at Camp Villere, inside a razor wire enclosed compound.

"We didn't have anything like this in Vietnam," said Maj. Tom Hancock, Executive Officer of the 159th MASH. "It takes six hours to break down and lock up (for transport), and the same amount of time to set up. This is the 90's version of MASH."

The scenario included a war being fought in Germany, calling for simulations of mass casualties.

Cadets of Slidell area Junior ROTC programs volunteered to spend the weekend as wounded. Some were dead, some were dying and some only slightly injured. The moulage, skin make up that simulates wounds, was applied by members of the Louisiana State Surgeons office.

Victims arrived by helicopters of the 812th Medical Detachment. Some of the wounded went through small battalion aid stations.

Litter bearers carried "victims" on stretchers and set them in holding areas to await further treatment. These had already been treated in the emergency medical tent, their first stop after transport from the field.



TRAINING OPERATION - Operating Room technicians of the 159th MASH simulate surgery on a wounded soldier during "Operation Golden Caduceus" in a 24 foot environment controlled portable facility. (Photo by 1st Lt. Maria L. Jonkers, Louisiana National Guard).

Those who needed immediate care were taken directly to the 24 square foot climate controlled portable surgical suite, the OR (Operating Room).

DEPMEDs, a third generation MASH, is a portable and expandable cluster of tents and freight containers house an emergency room, laboratory blood bank, x-ray clinic, treatment areas and other specialty clinics.

"We're the second National Guard unit in the

country to get this equipment," said Maj Michael Jennings, 159th MASH commander, and a doctor at Ochsner Foundation Hospital in Jefferson.

The Employer Support of the Guard/Reserve Committee held a boss lift in conjunction with the exercise. Over 60 employers, media and medical personnel statewide came to see the National Guard medical corp in action.

Floridians tackle 'Call Forward-90 at their own Camp Blanding

by Sgt. 1st Class George C. Mirabal
Florida Army National Guard

CAMP BLANDING, FLA. - The Florida Army Guard's Installation Support Unit played host and joined with the representatives of the Second U.S. Army, headquartered in Fort Gillem, Ga., to conduct the largest mobilization training exercise to take place in this Florida National Guard training site since the beginning of the Second World War.



Brig. Gen. Ronald Harrison, commander, 53rd Infantry Brigade (Separate).

Dubbed "Call Forward -90," the exercise brought together more than 8,000 Army National Guardsmen and U.S. Army Reservists from the Second Army area at this 72,000 acre training facility during late April and early May, to conduct field training exercises

that evaluated mobilization procedures.

33 UNITS TESTED

Thirty-three units from Florida, South Carolina and Georgia tested mobilization plans for a national emergency while also conducting their Annual Training. Approximately 175 members of the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) and 30 military retirees were called to active duty for use as personnel fillers. Some came from as far away as Washington state, with still others coming from California and Nebraska and others from nearby Jacksonville, Fla.

"This was the best planned and executed mobilization training exercise that I've witnessed," boasted post commander, Col. James E. Rogers, a citizen-soldier and Florida Department of Transportation engineer in Gainesville. "We (Camp Blanding personnel) have been planning this exercise, which, of course, tests our personnel and facilities, for many months."

he said. "We received very high marks at our out briefings...that made us very proud of all the work we put in it!"

The primary goals set forth by the directors of the exercise, Headquarters, Second U.S. Army, were to execute entire mobilization plans to determine deficiencies in the mobilization system and to combine the exercise with Annual Training and thus minimize costs, which were estimated to be about \$3.9 million for the overall exercise.



TAKING AIM - Florida SPC Mario A. Laureano trains his eye on a TOW missile launcher during exercise "Call Forward-90" at Camp Blanding, recently during his Annual Training. Laureano is a member of Company D, 1st Battalion, 124th Infantry.



DENTAL CHECK - It's a Total Army "dental check" as a Florida Guardswoman undergoes a dental check by an Active Army dentist assisted by an Army Reserve dental technician during exercise "Call Forward-90." (Photo by Sgt. 1st Class George C. Mirabal).



PREPARATIONS - Members of Florida's 927th Medical Company unload their equipment after arrival at Camp Blanding to participate in "Call Forward-90." (Photo by Sgt. 1st Class George C. Mirabal).

New York tankers from the 1st Battalion, 127th Armor spend their last AT period training with the M48A5

Story and Photos by: Captain Paul Fanning
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42nd Infantry Division

FORT DRUM, NEW YORK -- For members of the 1st Battalion 127th Armor, headquartered in Buffalo, Annual Training at Fort Drum, Watertown, New York in May marked the last time they would train on the M48A5 tank in anticipation of receiving the M60A3 in January 1991.

More than 350 soldiers from the battalion plus 50 additional soldiers from other units took part in the training on the "older" National Guard equipment.

The primary mission for the battalion this year, was to qualify tank crews through live-fire tank qualification tables which included the use of small caliber training devices, called "sub-caliber" devices, to give the "feel" of firing the tanks' weaponry up to and including the main gun and machinegun live fire against moving-tank and moving target ranges. The Guard tankers were expected to obtain proficiency standards equivalent to the active Army.

NEW RANGE TRAINING

The battalion is scheduled later to fire 105mm armor piercing, main gun rounds on a newly constructed tank range at Fort Drum as the first unit to use the new range. Fort Drum is the only training area

in the Northeast with the facilities, ranges and impact area suitable for this training.

"We can't wait to get the A3' (M60A3)," said Staff Sgt. Timothy Martenson, a platoon sergeant from Company B who, in civilian life, is a high school custodian from Falconer, N.Y. "The M48A5 is an old tank...outclassed by modern Soviet tanks. These tanks have served their purpose in the past, but are now worn out with use," he noted.

"The M60A3 is bigger, more modern and comes equipped with stabilization and a laser range finder. These make it easier for us to shoot more accurately and while moving," said Captain Vito Czyz, Buffalo native and commander of Company B in Jamestown, N.Y. Czyz, who was to be married on the last day of training, as if two weeks of rain, mud and bugs were not enough, had planned, along with his bride, to honeymoon by "going camping."

Tank gunnery training is accomplished in steps by firing on "Tank Tables." These are progressions of challenging gunnery situations to train crews to proficiency. Beginning with non-firing exercises to familiarize crews with equipment, controls and crew duties, they progress to moving tank and moving target ranges where machinegun and 105mm main gun rounds are fired.

To save money, intermediate tables are "fired" using subcaliber devices - training aids such as the Telford device. This metal bracket is attached on top of the maingun barrel and an M2 .50 caliber mach-



CRANE OPERATOR - SPC Peter Kuczkowski, a member of the maintenance section for Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 127th Armor operates the crane of a Heavy Equipment Maintenance Transport to lift the engine of a M48A5 tank so parts can be replaced during recent Annual Training which saw the unit's last use of the older model tanks.



SIMULTANEOUS TRAINING - While the crew of one tank of the 42nd Infantry Division's 1st Battalion, 127th Armor tackles the job of replacing a thrown or damaged track, another tank crew moves into position to begin its tank gunnery training at Fort Drum, N. Y. in the last AT which would use the older M48A5 tanks.

ingun is then mounted and adjusted so that it will fire in place of the main (tank) gun.

"The .50 caliber has characteristics similar enough to the maingun, so we can continue training, while saving money by not firing expensive maingun rounds," said Captain Jay Hough, Battalion Adjutant and Olean native. Hough is employed by Conap, Inc. where he is a Production Manager. "This may be training but its far from ideal. There's no substitute for the big bullets."

"We came to Fort Drum in May, ahead of the rest of our Division (42d Infantry Division) so that we could spend time later getting ready to turn in the M48A5 and receive our M60A3 tanks," said Lt. Col. William E. Foss, Battalion Commander from Buffalo, N.Y.

"To get our new tanks, we will have to travel to Mississippi in the January 1991 time frame and undergo familiarization training at the depot. Its important that we provide enough time to our soldiers in between this two weeks of training and the next two weeks of training in Mississippi, so we can minimize the effects on civilian employers and families," Foss added.

Additional training included the qualification of new soldiers as armor crewmen, through hands-on training sponsored by the 1151st United States Army Reserve School.



DUSK FIRING MISSION - Members of G Troop, 2nd Squadron, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard stand atop their tank awaiting darkness to fall in order to conduct a tank gunnery training mission. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Al Winston).

Ohio's G troop, 2-107th ACR completes CVVT

by Pfc Arthur Zimmerman
Ohio Army National Guard

G Troop, 2nd Squadron, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard encountered one of its most exciting and educational Annual Training (AT) periods recently with a three week session for Combat Vehicle Transitional Training which was conducted at Gowen Field, Boise, Idaho.

In this case, the CVTT training, as it is called, was designed to train the Guardsmen for work with the Army's M-1 "Abrams" main battle tank under a rigorous schedule which concentrated on teaching the operational use of the M-1 in combat.

LONG DAYS

Long days lasting into the night were typical of the instruction which included platform instruction in relatively comfortable classrooms followed by practi-

cal exercise periods on hardstands and at range locations outdoors in the cold and dampness of Idaho in late winter.

While at the hardstands, each of the crew members became familiar with his own, plus two other crew positions on the "Abrams" tank.

The second phase of training saw crews exposed to unit conduct of fire training and live fire missions where their performance as an integrated unit was the ultimate goal. From each session, the individual crew members and the overall crew results could be analyzed and improvements indicated for the next session.

With the end of the training, the Ohioans could return to their home stations and await their first shipment of the Army's newest main battle tank with the confidence they were prepared to put it to use and further training as a result of their exposure to CVTT in Boise.



ROOF REPLACEMENT - Members of the Delaware National Guard 249th Engineer Detachment replace the roof on a storage building in Kingston, Jamaica during recent Annual Training as part of efforts to assist the island's re-building efforts from the destruction of Hurricane Gilbert in 1987. (Photo by Sgt. Stephen Grieco)



AWARD WINNER - Sgt. Amy D. Gregory, Maryland Air Guard audiovisual specialist, displays the plaque she received for being selected Tactical Communications Division NCO-of-the-Year. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Buddy Bates).

Marylander is named TDC NCO of Year

by Capt. Michael Milord
Maryland National Guard

Sgt. Amy D. Gregory, 175th Mission Support Flight, Maryland Air National Guard was recently named the Tactical Communications Division (TCD) NCO-of-the-Year, an honor awarded to the highest-rated communications NCO in Tactical Air Command-gained Air National Guard units.

A four-year member of the Maryland Air Guard, Sgt. Gregory is an audiovisual specialist, responsible for providing high-quality video coverage of unit classroom presentations, guest speakers, and public affairs activities.

She received the TCD NCO award for helping to improve and upgrade the audiovisual capabilities by volunteering extra time to order equipment, complete special projects and organize the work section to create high-quality audiovisual products.

A Joppatowne, Md. resident, Sgt. Gregory graduated from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County in December 1989 with a bachelor of arts degree in film and video. She works at Blakeslee-

SHORT TAKES

ANG Awards 1989

The recipients of the Air National Guard Outstanding Personnel Manager of Year Awards for 1989 were announced.

At Base level, Senior Personnel Manager, Maj. Glenn D. Adair, 123rd Mission Support Squadron, Kentucky Air National Guard.

At Headquarters level, Junior Personnel Manager is Capt. Harold J. Huden, of the National Guard Bureau, Andrews Air Force Base, District of Columbia.

At the Base level, Junior Personnel Manager is Capt. Frank Sarcone, 132nd Tactical Fighter Wing, Iowa Air National Guard.

Base level Personnel Technician is Master Sgt. France G. Danyow, 158th Fighter Interceptor Group, Vermont Air National Guard.

Headquarters level, Personnel Technician, Technical Sgt. Asberry Mitchell, Jr. Headquarters, Texas Air National Guard.

Base level Technician is Technical Sgt. Earnest E. Mosier, II, 179th Mission Support Squadron, Ohio Air National Guard.

Base level Specialists, Sergeant Belinda M. Honigfort, 180th Mission Support Squadron, Ohio Air National Guard.

Upbeat PSA to air soon

The Air National Guard Recruiting and Retention Advertising office has just released four new television public service announcements (PSAs) for the coming year.

The new PSAs were filmed in and around the San Antonio/Austin Texas area using the resources of the 149th Tactical Fighter Group Texas Air National Guard. All the on-air talent were actual Air Guardsmen or local Air Force ROTC cadets. All the spots were filmed to network broadcast standards in stereo sound and are close-captioned for the hearing impaired.

In the first PSA, "Jobs," the civilian and military occupations of several Air Guardsmembers are contrasted. Lawyers become fighter pilots, housewives become flightline crew chiefs, and policemen become missile loaders. In a testimony to the diverse job skills of Air Guardsmen, it features strong mission imagery, with fast-action editing.

In the second spot, "History," the heritage of the Air National Guard is depicted in thirty seconds with imaginative editing and a particularly compelling soundtrack with an unexpected new approach. Important milestone dates are illustrated with historic scenes of Air Guard history.

In the third PSA, "Oath," a group of enlistees take the oath of allegiance at a dramatically portrayed and lit ceremony. The film cuts to exciting scenes of Air Guard flying activity depicting the future that awaits these recruits. It carries a very moving patriotic message.

The last spot, "Jets," includes a rock and roll driven soundtrack and a visual montage of rapid and exciting cuts add up to the simple message that two days per month and two weeks a year in the Air Guard equal the most rewarding part-time job in America.



All four television public service announcements are available in thirty-second and fifteen-second versions. A documentary video of the production of these PSAs was produced by Master Sgt. Robert Mason of the Mississippi Air National Guard. The PSAs will be released incrementally every quarter during the coming year beginning in March. Copies will be available at all Air Guard recruiting locations. For more information contact Senior Master Sgt. Craig Collins at (301) 981-8407 or Autovon 858-8407.

People must learn not to damage skin

The value of protecting the skin from excess exposure to the sun is slowly becoming appreciated in our society.

The biggest concern among health care professionals is the ever-increasing frequency of skin cancer in people who frequent sun-exposed areas and ultraviolet light tanning facilities.

Health care professionals want the public to have a better understanding of the properties of sunlight and how to effectively limit sun exposure without interfering with lifestyles.

An overdose of ultraviolet light causes radiation reaction -- better known as sunburn. The skin is burned by varying degrees depending on the individual's pigmentation.

How sensitive a person is to ultraviolet light is genetically determined. People with blond hair and light skin are usually very sensitive; and sun sensitivity is very low in blacks and people of Asian origin.

Internal and external use of various medications can also increase sensitivity to light and cause an undesirable reaction. Also, some serious skin diseases can be provoked from prolonged exposure to ultraviolet radiation.

Long-term injuries can also result from prolonged exposure to ultraviolet radiation -- one of the most serious is melanoma. To get a tan while minimizing sun exposure, follow these rules:

- * Avoid direct sun exposure between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; start with short exposure of 15-20 minutes in the

morning and late afternoon; wear protective clothing and a hat; and use sunscreen of appropriate strength base on skin type.

- * Pay particular attention to children who may be inadvertently exposed to sunlight for prolonged periods of time. Sunscreen should be applied before they go out to play and reapplied during long exposure periods for reassurance.

- * If you receive a severe burn, apply only cool moist compresses to the burned area and consult a physician.

Remember that prevention protection is the best medicine. Have a comfortable summer. (MAC News Service)

Skin Types & Recommended Sunscreen Protection

Skin Type	Ultraviolet Sensitivity	Burn/Tan History	Recommended Protection
I	Very Sensitive	Always burns; never tans	15
II	Very Sensitive	Burns easily; tans little	10 or more
III	Sensitive	Burns moderately; tans slowly	8 or more
IV	Moderately sensitive	Burns minimally; always tans	6-8
V	Minimally sensitive	Rarely burns; tans profusely	4
VI	Insensitive	Never burns	None



DEOMI and National Guard explore the value of 'human readiness'

by Capt. Jerome Reed
DEOMI Public Affairs

Patrick AFB, Fla. -- Question. Where can an insurance underwriter from Ohio, a secondary school teacher from Nevada, and a postal service employee from Texas make a significant contribution to the Nation's military combat readiness?

If you answered Florida, you're right.

Located at Patrick Air Force Base, minutes away from Cocoa Beach on Florida's east coast, is the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI). This is the training site where National Guard, Reserve and other DOD Service members explore the commensurate value of "human readiness" in the Department of Defense combat readiness equation.

Since 1971, DEOMI has trained nearly 11,000 equal opportunity advisors for all Services. From two to four weeks each year, Army and Air Guard members attend the Institute's nonresident course as instructors, trainers and students, to learn more about equal opportunity and related topics in the military.

"I learn something new every year," said 1st Lt. Kimberly A. Minor, an instructor at DEOMI from Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio. "As an instructor I help give students the knowledge they need to work with people in the military environment," she added.

Sharing current EO knowledge is one of the major functions of DEOMI. Through the nonresident course, a four-phased version of the Institute's 16-week resident course, Reserve and National Guard personnel perform at an accelerated learning pace. The course consists of two resident and two correspondence phases.

"We even sent students 'hate mail' to see how they handle it"

"The scheduling of the course is flexible in order to meet the needs of students and commanders," said Maj. Margaret-Anne Coppemoll, DEOMI National Guard Advisor. "But there is a lot to cover in a short time so it's important our students and adjunct faculty members realize the training they give and receive is as important as any other combat specialty."

"EO is extremely important in the Services," Lt. Minor added, "because of the relationships individuals have with one another in support of the mission." During the February course, her mission as a faculty member was to instruct classes and assist in giving students practical experience in ways to assess and make positive intervention in the human relations climate of an organization.

During the "Practicum" portion of the curriculum, students worked with affirmative action plans, processed complaints, composed equal opportunity treatment policy letters, and sexual harassment policy letters. "We even sent students 'hate mail' to see how they handle it," the lieutenant added, "because there are numerous real life situations equal opportunity advisors will encounter."

In real life, Capt. Robin Williams-Auer, is a secondary school teacher of history and journalism in Carson City, Nev. But for two weeks this past February



A CLASS ACT -- Instructor 1st Lt. Kimberly A. Minor presents a lecture on survey techniques to class members at DEOMI. Minor is the Social Actions Officer, 121st Tactical Fighter Wing, Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio. (DOD Photo).

she helped Guard members experience the likely dynamics of establishing a typical EO office. And according to the captain, although the "exercise" was structured, real behaviors and attitudes were on display.

"The circumstances where you place unrelated groups of people together and teach them how they can function as a group to accomplish a mission is unique," she said. "For many DEOMI students, their first exposure to different ethnic groups takes place here," she added, "and this gives them a chance to step into a different culture and see how it can feel to be in another's shoes."

Williams-Auer said it's important that people understand and appreciate other's differences and not fear them. "This may be a tremendous insight for some of the students. Some have brought with them to DEOMI a lot of prejudices and pent-up emotions and irrational fears," she revealed. "But soon they realize that just because something is different, it doesn't mean it's bad. These same people will later try to make a difference in our society," she concluded.

"Very early on they (trainers) ask you to disclose certain parts of your life and feelings about racism and prejudice"

To make a difference and influence the behavior of the students was the goal of TSgt. Janice Hypolite, a postal service employee from Houston and a drug and alcohol noncommissioned officer. As a trainer, she was

responsible for guiding students through various exercises and reinforcing lessons learned from lecture material.

"Keeping students in the right frame of mind is one way to explain what I do," she said. According to Sgt. Hypolite, the exercises place students in situations which help them see other people for who they are. She added that students need to know how to better deal with EO situations. But equally important to her are the personal benefits she receives as a DEOMI trainer.

"The experience of a leadership role constantly enhances my instructor abilities as well," she said, "but as a trainer I'm placed even closer to cultures, thoughts, and ideas."

Still, it seems the idea of attending DEOMI is not always a welcomed feeling. "It's tough the first few days," said 1st Lt. Laurie Turk, a student from Pittsburgh. "Very early on they (trainers) ask you to disclose certain parts of your life and feelings about racism and prejudice. You don't know them and you're not certain how they're going to react," she said. "However, after the third day or so a bond forms between fellow students and trainers and by the end of the course it's one big happy family."

Lt. Turk said she confronted and examined her thoughts throughout the course and that DEOMI taught her it was all right to have certain feelings inside as long as those feelings didn't affect her behavior. With a degree in industrial relations she plans to work in the labor relations field and said she was convinced her DEOMI training was a tremendous boost in that

Though the road to true equality remains paved with obstacles, most DEOMI students agree their training points them in a positive path. "It (DEOMI) was personally an eye-opener. It makes you think and look at the world differently," one student revealed. While another insisted everyone, not just the military, should undergo the Institute's training because he saw "just how complex and delicate human relations are."

All-woman flight crew makes Maryland ARNG aviation history

by Capt. Michael Milord
Maryland National Guard

Whirling high above Weide Army Airfield at Aberdeen Proving Ground's Edgewood Area a Maryland Army National Guard UH-1H Huey helicopter set out for what would apparently be a fairly routine local area training flight.

Nothing special.

Nothing except for the fact that the pilots and crew chief on this mission, Capt. Lisa A. Mullin, and WO1 Laurie Boyer, Headquarters Company, 29th Aviation Brigade, and Sgt. Lisa Niner, Company F, 224th Aviation Regiment, became the first all-female flight crew in the Maryland Army National Guard to perform a flying operation.

With a combined total of 21 years in flying operations, this crew had never flown together prior to the March date, mainly because they belonged to different units and had never been presented with the chance to get together, said Boyer who completed flight school in December last year.

THE CREW

"After a while, some of the other pilots mentioned that we could make history...if we all took a flight together," said Boyer. "We talked about it and thought it would be a neat thing to do."

When not flying a Huey for the Guard, Boyer is first officer on a 737 for United Airlines, a position she has held for past four years.

Now a crew chief, Sgt. Niner began her career in the active Army and then the Army Reserve, before coming to Maryland as a recruiter for the past two years.

"Then a full-time crew chief position opened up here and I jumped at the chance," said Niner. "Having been in the 82nd Airborne and having worked for the Army on contract with Sikorsky, fixing helicopters has been my main interest."

A test pilot for the 29th Avn Bde aviation maintenance section, Capt. Mullin received a direct commission in 1977 and began flying in 1981 in the Army.

Since leaving her active duty tour three years ago, she and her husband, Capt. John P. Mullin have been flying for the Maryland Guard. Working in a predominantly male career area hasn't hindered their progress one bit.

FEW WOMEN

"I'm used to being one of a few women crew chiefs," said Niner. "So when I got here, I knew it might take awhile for the other mechanics to get used to a woman in the hangar."

"Like any other career field, your fellow employees want to see what kind of a worker you are and how capable you are. Once they saw that I knew my job, they never questioned my ability. Eventually they begin to seek you out when there's a mechanical problem," Niner added. "In the aviation field where lives depend on aircraft safety, maleness and femaleness doesn't really seem to be an issue," said Mullin, a mother of two. "The important thing is to be able to work often enough to develop a good working team."

"Right now our main duty is to fly support mis-



MARYLAND AVIATION FIRST - Capt. Lisa A. Mullin and WO1 Laurie Boyer, both of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Aviation Brigade, sitting in the pilot and co-pilot seats aboard their UH-1H helicopter, were recently joined by Sgt. Lisa Niner, Company F, 224th Aviation Regiment, standing beside the aircraft strut, to become the first all-female crew to fly a Maryland Army National Guard mission. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Billy W. Snyder)

sions -- passengers, supplies, even medevac flights -- but in a wartime situation, even flying support missions can make you an aerial target," said Boyer, a Damascus resident.

MAIN CONCERN

For Niner, her main concern while in the air is to keep an eye out for red lights on the caution

panel, which may indicate some type of system failure.

"When that happens, the first concern is to get the aircraft down safely and then try to locate the problem and repair it as soon as possible," said Niner.

Her goal in the Guard is to work her way into aircraft maintenance management. Boyer hopes to become an instructor pilot in the future because "helicopters are fun."



EVACUATION SIMULATION - Members of the 1st battalion, 127th Armor, New York Army National Guard practice using an M48 tank to evacuate a "casualty" during their recent training at Fort Drum, N.Y. The training marked their last Annual Training to see the use of the M48 tank. (Photo by Capt. Paul Fanning, 42nd Infantry Division).

Delaware Guard engineers work to the delight of Jamaican school children

by Sgt. Stephen Grieco
101 Public Affairs Detachment

In a small two-room school outside of Kingston, Jamaica, it used to be that children preparing for a reading exercise would become restless when they



TIGHT FIT - Delaware SPC David P. DiAngelo has a tight fit as he installs a light fixture in an elementary school in Jamaica during recent Annual Training with the 249th Engineer Detachment. (Photo by Sgt. Stephen Grieco).

saw storm clouds gathering outside because their school had no lights to hold back the darkness of the storm.

However, all of that changed earlier this year when soldiers from the Delaware Army National Guard 249th Engineering Detachment finished wiring the whole school with electrical fixtures.

The electrical job at the Mid Eastern Sorop-

timist Basic School was just one of the jobs assigned to the 249th while they were in Jamaica for their two-week annual training as part of a humanitarian "civic action" project designed to help repair damage caused by Hurricane Gilbert in 1987, and to improve other facilities within local communities.

The soldiers received "hands-on" training and a chance to see a different culture.

"What I learned there you can't do in the states," said SPC David P. DiAngelo of Wilmington. "In Jamaica there are different standards and (electrical wiring) color codes. It was a change that was pretty interesting."

DiAngelo, who was originally trained as a carpenter, was cross-training while in Jamaica as were many other members of the 249th. Cross-training enabled them to learn new skills that would complement their primary skills and will make them more knowledgeable tradesmen.

Staff Sgt. Werner R. Wegman, training NCO for the 249th, said, "This training will help if we are ever fully activated to go overseas where they have different electrical systems." European countries, like Jamaica, use 220 volt systems whereas the United States uses 110 volt systems.

"At first it was pretty sad, seeing 150 kids in such a small school," DiAngelo said. "We put in lights and other electrical units and probably made the place 100 percent better."

Apparently, skilled labor is limited in Jamaica. According to Florence Clarke, principal of the Mid Eastern Soroptimist Basic School, the classroom had been without electricity since it was rebuilt in 1977.

"It will help us a lot because when it rained it was dark inside and the children were afraid. You couldn't do much reading at that time," Clarke said. "We are very glad to have lights. It is a wonderful thing that they have done."

The 249th had five projects while in Jamaica and each became a lesson in compromising, learning how to adjust to the situation and work with what was available. Their flexibility and ability to "wing it"



SILHOUETTES - These members of Delaware's 249th Engineer Detachment appear as silhouettes while they work to repair a roof in Jamaica during their recent Annual Training. (Photo by Sgt. Stephen Grieco).

when necessary became an important skill and will help planning for future training exercises.

In addition to the school project, the 249th designed and built an air traffic control tower for the Jamaica Defense Force (JDF), reconstructed a rifle range shelter, and performed necessary demolition and reconstruction on two other buildings that had hurricane and termite damage.

Arizona Guardsman is a hero

Arizona's Sgt. James L. Simmons was recently awarded the Arizona Medal of Valor for his actions in containing a runaway fire while travelling home from weekend training.

Simmons sprang into action after coming upon a fire burning alongside the highway which had been started when the car ahead of him blew a tire, and the friction of its wheel rims striking the roadway ignited the dry grass and brush beside the roadway.

With a stiff wind blowing, the flames quickly roared to 12 to 15 feet in height and threatened to

move uphill toward nearby homes.

Simmons immediately began kicking dirt along one area which had less grass in order to start a fire-break. Soon others were pitching in as well ultimately containing the otherwise runaway fire.

"It was the natural thing to do; there was a fire. I couldn't just stand there. So, I put it out," Simmons, who is a warehouseman with the State Area Command Headquarters commented recalling his actions.

Army Guard list shows first armories

by Lt. Col. Pete Wyro
Editor

Which states built the first armories in the National Guard?

In an era when considerable efforts have been made to build newer armories and facilities for Guard training, it is interesting to note when armory con-

struction actually began in some states.

In its April 1990 newsletter update, the Army National Guard Installation office lists armory age information which indicates that Michigan's first armory was built in 1842, Rhode Island's first armory was built in 1843, followed by New York's first armory in 1878, Pennsylvania's in 1882, and Connecticut's first

armory in 1884.

The average age of armories in those states were Michigan, 42 years, Rhode Island, 55, New York, 58, Pennsylvania, 53 and Connecticut, 51.

The states with the "youngest" armories, in terms of average age, were Tennessee and the District of Columbia, 21, South Carolina, 22, Guam and Kentucky, 23, and Alaska, 24.

New Hampshire's CSM Nelson retires -- again, McNamara is new Command Sgt. Major

CSM Thomas M. McNamara, Jr. became the State Command Sergeant Major for new Hampshire in April replacing CSM Richard Nelson who actually "retired" from the Guard twice.

McNamara has more than 30 years Total Army service, having begun his career in the military as a cavalry scout with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Germany during the Berlin airlift.

He left the active Army in September 1963, transferring to the Army Reserve before joining Battery B, 2nd Battalion, 197th Field Artillery, New Hampshire Army National Guard in December 1964.

His assignments have included full-time duty as unit administrator, unit supply clerk, supply sergeant, howitzer section chief, and first sergeant.

McNamara has also served in recruiting and retention management as well as personnel manage-

ment fields in his career with the Guard.

He returned to active duty in 1976 at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind. as an instructor for the Army National Guard Recruiting and Retention element during a period in which he wrote several documents and articles on recruiting and retention for the Army National Guard including Soldier's Manuals and Skill Qualification Tests.

Prior to becoming New Hampshire's senior Army Guard enlisted advisor to the Adjutant General, he was the senior staff NCO for the Enlisted Personnel Branch of the Personnel Division of the Army National Guard Directorate in Washington, D.C.

"The job seems so simple," McNamara noted recently. "We must oversee and insist upon excellence in at least four important major functions to the best of our ability" communication between soldiers, leaders and families; accountability for our soldiers and adherence to all published standards; personnel readiness at the individual soldier level; and education and training in our military occupational specialties, common soldier tasks and individual tasks."

OUTGOING CSM

The person CSM McNamara replaced actually retired from the National Guard twice.

CSM Richard Nelson initially retired from the National Guard in 1978, only to return at the request of the adjutant general in 1984 to become the state's top enlisted advisor.

Nelson had already served more than 30 years

when he initially retired, and had to forfeit a secure civilian job when he returned to fulltime duty with the Guard.

His career included assignments as squad leader and platoon sergeant with the 195th Regimental



CSM McNamara



CSM Nelson

Combat Team, senior logistics NCO for the 172nd Field Artillery Group, communications chief, first sergeant and operations sergeant major with Headquarters, II Corps Artillery and command sergeant major for the 197th Field Artillery Brigade. "We must main-

tain high standards," Nelson commented recently adding, "The Noncommissioned officer education system has resulted in the most professional NCO Corps in the history of the Army National Guard. We must challenge these dynamic leaders to ensure a quality force second to none."

Tennessee tie, too

Florida resident is first woman pilot for Illinois' 182nd TASG

A Tampa, Fla. resident, 1st Lt. Muriel O'Beirne recently became the first female pilot for the Illinois Air Guard's 182nd Tactical Air Support Group (TASG), Peoria, Illinois.

Lieutenant O'Beirne transferred to the 182nd TASG from the 707th Military Airlift Squadron (MAS), Air Force Reserve, Charleston, South Carolina. While assigned to the 707th MAS for two and a half years she flew C-141's and accumulated over 1300 flying hours. As a member of the 182 TASG, she will be flying C26A passenger and cargo missions.

She currently lives in Tampa, Florida where her husband, Capt. Steve O'Beirne is a F-16 instructor pilot assigned to the 61st Tactical Fighter Training Squadron at MacDill Air Force Base.

She began her Air Force career as a reservist and has also received a bachelor of science degree from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Florida. She obtained a civilian flight instructor rating and eventually accumulated over

1000 hours in various single and multi-engine aircraft. As a civilian, she is a third officer flying Boeing 727's for Federal Express and is based out of Memphis, Tenn.

"By joining the 182 TASG, my objective is to fly the C-26A. This mission fits well into my hectic airline and commuting schedule and at the same time I will be serving the needs of the Illinois Air National Guard, she said."

"Living in Tampa, flying a full schedule with Federal Express, keeping up with my Air National Guard flying requirements and being a wife really doesn't leave me much time for hobbies. My hobbies are the ones I can take on the road with me - running and lifting weights if they are in the facilities where I stay on our flying schedule.

O'Beirne grew up in Miami, Florida. She has an older brother who is a pilot and her father is a retired airline captain with thirty years experience.



CHECK-FLIGHT - Florida resident, and Illinois Air Guard Lt. Muriel O'Beirne pre-flights her aircraft before a mission with the 182nd Tactical Air Support Group. (Illinois National Guard photograph).

Vermont 40th Army band draws Alpini raves during recent Annual Training in Verona, Italy

The Vermont Army National Guard 40th Army Band returned home recently after capitalizing on its first opportunity to perform overseas, in this case for the Alpini festival in Verona, Italy.

The band's first performance gave them the distinguished honor of leading an Alpini parade during the weekend Alpini festival in Verona, Italy.

Nestled in the heart of northern Italy's wine country, the walled city of Verona boasts an outdoor amphitheater similar to the coliseum in Rome, which is used for opera performances under the stars.

During the Alpini festival, the residents of Verona, who also boast the balcony made famous in Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet", along with their almost 500,000 fellow festival enthusiasts greeted the Vermont soldiers with cheers and applause as the band made its way through the city's winding, crowded, cobblestone streets.

The Alpini festival is an annual reunion of all Alpini soldiers, the famous mountain fighters which include both those currently in the Italian Army's Alpini corps and those past members of this elite mountain warfare force.

Soldiers are drafted into the Italian Alpini military if they are not married, and must remain in the Alpini for one year, although some Alpini remain longer and make a career of it. During the initial year of enlistment, the Alpini soldier makes the equivalent pay of \$3, U.S. a day! The Alpini soldiers training is very similar to an American soldiers and involves drill and ceremonies and related skills, constant training in mountaineering and survival skills and an education in all aspects of military protocol.

The band participated in three concerts; one indoor and two outdoor. Concerts were performed in Bressanone, Belluno and Bolzano Italy. Unlike the wet, cold weather here in their native Vermont, the weather in Italy cooperated throughout the band's stay.

The training also provided an excellent way for the American and Italian soldier to meet with each

other through a common love of music, even though the language barrier proved to be frustrating at times. Handshakes, genuine smiles and a toast to both the Alpini and the United States brought soldiers from two nations close together. The Utah National Guard provided two Guardsmen for interpreters who continuously proved to be a valuable addition to the team.



IN CONCERT - Members of Vermont's 40th Army Band entertain in concert. (Photo by SPC Ed Nichols).

53rd Signal detachment 'smokes' communications

by Capt. Ronald G. Tracey
53rd Infantry Brigade
Florida Army National Guard

CAMP BLANDING, FLA.—When today's Army takes to the field, be it the field of battle or a training environment, it must be able to communicate.

The complexity of modern warfare requires that a commander be able to receive and transmit vital intelligence instantaneously. And, for the 53rd Infantry Brigade, Florida Army National Guard, that task is handled by the soldiers of the 53rd Signal Detachment whose members took to the field at Camp Blanding recently during exercise "Call Forward-90" to prove to their evaluators and to themselves that they were ready to accomplish their vital role.

FAST WORK

1st Lt. William Wagensell, commander of the detachment, said that the standard for fielding his multi-channel rig and getting it on-line and operational is 75 minutes. But the Florida Guardsmen decided to go the standard one better, and did so, most convincingly!

Sgt. Larry Potts, section sergeant, Sgt. Joseph Akelewicz, team chief, and their multi-channel team arrived at the predetermined location.

The vehicles pulled off the trail and into the woods. The work began immediately.

In minutes the power generator was humming, the antenna had been erected and the multi-channel communications equipment was powered-up, calibrated and fully operational.

Total elapsed time: an impressive 27 minutes.



BEATING THE STANDARD - With a hand from Pfc Robert Briggs, SPC Ricardo Hernandez from Dade City, Florida, installs the reflector on a communications antenna during exercise Call Forward-90. (Photo by Sgt. 1st. Class Douglas B. DeWitt, 53rd Infantry Brigade, Florida Army National Guard).



Mortar Soup - Staff Sgt. Leon Arcand, a 120th Civil Engineering power production specialist, brought this wheelbarrow 2,000 miles to mix mortar in refurbishing Maryland Army National Guards Lottier dormitory. (Photo by Capt. Mike Milord, Maryland Army National Guard).

'Big Sky' airmen head east; build Maryland ARNG a new Military Academy

by Capt. Mike Milord
Maryland National Guard

A portion of Maryland became "Big Sky" country recently when 36 Montana PRIME BEEF and PRIME RIBS airmen from the Montana Air National Guard 120th Civil Engineering Squadron and 120th Services Flight arrived for a two-week stay.

Prime BEEF is short for Base Emergency Engineering Force and Prime RIBS is an acronym for Readiness in Base Services.

They were the first of several ANG units scheduled to put their building skills to work at Montrose Military Reservation, the newly-acquired Maryland Army National Guard training center near Woodensburg, north of Baltimore.

NEW ACADEMY

Shortly after the property transferred from the Department of Juvenile Services in 1989 to the Military Department, construction forces began planning and restoring the former Juvenile Services childrens center for use by the Maryland Military Academy (MMA).

In late 1989, running water returned to the Gill area after ANG civil engineers from Maryland with the assistance of two neighboring states, completed installation of a septic system. Since then, Maryland airmen from the 135th and 175th civil engineering squadrons at Warfield Air National Guard Base in Middle River have worked furiously to renovate the interior of Noyes Dormitory, to be used for quarters and dining for the Air Guard units deploying here this summer.

The Noyse dining facility was designed by Sgt. 1st Class Bernard Coleman, a Maryland Army National Guard food service NCOIC, 1729th Maintenance Company.



THE 120TH FIGHTER INTERCEPT PATCH

tar stirred and paint spattered as the construction crew forged ahead to complete the renovation of nearly 26 individual rooms, an expanded latrine, staff quarters and study/lounge areas.

This would be the second student dormitory being prepared to house MMA trainees in courses such as Officer Training School, Platoon Leader Development Course, NCO professional education courses and the Recruit Training School.

MAJOR OVERHAUL

"The engineers have completed a major overhaul on the latrine, built showers, installed sinks and toilet fixtures," said Lt. Col. Fred M. Bastion, Jr., Montrose project coordinator. "Throughout the building, they've tested and replaced most of the electrical outlets, textured the ceilings and blocked in several walls."

Bastion estimated that the work performed by the 120th CES would have cost more than \$25,000 if military assets weren't available.

"This really has been a great deployment," said Lt. Col. Dan Duff, 120th CES commander, a former Maryland Army and Air National Guardsman.

Worth Repeating

"The mere absence of war is not peace."

—John F. Kennedy,
U.S. president

"Nothing gives one person so much advantage over another as to remain always cool and unruffled under all circumstances."

—Thomas Jefferson,
U.S. president

"The superior man is firm in the right way, and not merely firm."

—Confucius,
Chinese philosopher

"Every man who is high up loves to think that he has done it all himself; and the wife smiles, and lets it go at that."

—James M. Barrie,
Scottish novelist

"A hypocrite is a man who carefully folds his *New York Times* around his tabloid before starting home."

—anonymous

"When the fox preaches, look to your geese."

—German proverb

"An idea isn't responsible for the people who believe in it."

—Don Marquis,
American writer

"Each day for us was a 14-hour day"

Since their arrival the week before, McNurlin, Holmquist and three other services specialists provided three meals a day to support the 120th CES contingent.

"Each day for us is a 14-hour day," said McNurlin, a Great Falls resident and full-time student at Eastern Montana College in Billings. "We begin first meal preparations at 5 a.m. and end the last meal at about 7 p.m."

For McNurlin, this was her first deployment away from her home station at Great Falls International Airport.

While such a long day may seem unenviable, these airmen were here by choice, said Holmquist.

"If we had deployed to an active air force base, we likely would staff regular eight-hour shifts," said Holmquist, of Missoula, Mont. and a University of Montana student, also in Missoula. "But the opportunity to be in this area doesn't come often and with spring break, it was perfect timing."

In nearby Lottier dormitory, drills whirled, mor-

"We've enjoyed excellent support from everyone..."

"We've enjoyed excellent support from everyone at the Air Guard base and from the Army Guard construction staff. We've enjoyed getting to see Maryland during the off-duty time."

In 1989, the Montana unit deployed to Soto Cano Air Base, Honduras in Central America, installing modern plumbing for American servicemembers assigned there.

Other ANG Prime BEEF and RIBS teams scheduled to follow the 120th CES at Montrose in 1990 will be from New Hampshire, Minnesota, Delaware and Maryland.



ON THE APPROACH - Maj. James Barrineau approaches the bar for another leap into competition during a recent track and field meet.

ARNG's Maj. Barrineau keeps up practice, success of jumping high

by Lt. Col. Pete Wyro
Editor

The phrase "jump to it" just might have special meaning to at least one soldier currently assigned to the Army National Guard Directorate in Washington, D.C.

For Maj. James A. Barrineau, Jr., "jumping," and more specifically high jumping, has been one avenue for meaningful sports competition, education and personal satisfaction for almost two decades.

The 40 year old Augusta, Ga. native attended the University of Georgia on an athletic scholarship from 1973 to 1977 where he specialized in the high jump, capturing the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Junior championship with a leap of 7'2" in 1974, and where he was selected as a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) All American in Track in 1975. Barrineau, in 1976, was South Eastern Conference Champion, repeated as an NCAA All American and made the U.S. Olympic Team while being ranked second in the U.S. and seventh in the world in the high jump, and while setting a Collegiate Dual Meet Record of 7'4 1/2" in the event.

He repeated as SEC champion in 1977 and was named for a third time to the NCAA All American team.

Graduating from the university with a BS in Physical Education, he was commissioned from ROTC as an infantry second lieutenant and entered active duty with the Army, yet still found time to compete in track and field in the high jump.

He competed with the U.S. Army Mainz Sports Club from 1978-1981, in the process becoming the interservice champion and silver medalist at the international military sports competition in 1978. Injured most of 1979, he nonetheless became the U.S. Army Europe champion in the high jump, and, the following year, was once more the interservice champion, gold medalist at the CISM international military sports championships, and made the U.S. National team, placing fifth in the Olympic trials, fourth in the National championships, while repeating as U.S. Army Europe champion for the second consecutive year, and being ranked fifth in the U.S.

In 1981, Barrineau was interservice champion, placed eighth in the U.S. championships and, for the third time in a row, was the U.S. Army Europe champ.

He came within 3/4 of an inch of the U.S. record in 1983, cleared at least seven feet for 15

straight seasons from 1974 to 1988, and still holds the Army high jump record of 7'4 1/2", which he set in 1980. His jump of 7'6 1/2" is the highest set by any member of the military, active or reserve, for all military services. He set that record in 1983. He has also beaten four of the six high jumpers who held world records from 1971 to 1983, including Dwight Stones.

He was selected to compete in the All-Army Track and Field competition in June at Mare Island Naval Station, Calif.

Maj. Barrineau was assigned to the Plans, Program Analysis and Evaluation office for the National Guard Bureau in January 1989.

(In June, Maj. Barrineau placed second in the Armed Forces Championships in Vallejo, Calif. with a jump of 6' 10 1/4".)



UP N' OVER - Maj. James Barrineau arches his back in an effort to clear the high jump bar in recent competition.

In tribute

The following poem, written in memory of a fellow Guard member, was submitted by members of the New Jersey Army National Guard's Company A, 250th Support Battalion in honor of Sgt. Patricia Ann Eletto who died suddenly in April this year under disturbing but nonetheless tragic circumstances. She was 27. Staff Sgt. Frederick W. Smith wrote the poetic tribute, while Sgt. Barbara A. Brennan submitted it for "On Guard's" use.

She lies in peace
At rest at last
She will sleep forever
Her life has passed
Who will comfort me?

She leaves a family
And friends who grieve
Her life with us
Is now a memory
Who will comfort me?

On guard by her side
I hear mournful cries
I stand straight and erect
Not moving my eyes
Who will comfort me?

A tear wets my eye
As I stare at a lamp
To suppress this emotion
I thought of summer camp
Who will comfort me?

I'm relieved of my duty
And I comfort a friend
Her tears dot my lapel
But I cannot bend
Who will comfort me?

Again I stand guard
Not moving a muscle
No one must see
The emotions I wrestle
Who will comfort me?

As this night ends
There is one more
She cries on my shoulder
What's a good friend for
Who will comfort me?



My emotions swelled
As we carried the casket
We handled her gently
Like eggs in a basket
Who will comfort me?

The rifle squad's volleys
Echoed through the trees
The bugler's call of "Taps"
Was carried by the breeze
Who will comfort me?

I am crying inside
As I fold the flag
I must keep a firm grip
And don't let it sag
Who will comfort me?

My duty is done
It's time to leave
I must remain strong
For those who grieve
Who will comfort me?

The night has come
I'm alone in my bed
Crying those tears
I wanted to shed
Who will comfort me?





Army Guard Tour Notes



AGR BRANCH CHIEF COMMENT:

As I mentioned in the June issue of "On Guard," the ARNG Personnel Center will strive to keep the Title 10 AGR soldiers informed of items we feel require broad dissemination and other items we feel may be of interest. Beginning with this issue we will initiate a listing of future assignments for the Title 10 AGR soldiers. Please be aware these assignments are subject to changes as last minute program requirements may dictate.

In addition to this monthly feature we will continue to list the most current Title 10 Tour vacancy announcements. We hope this will provide Title 10 AGR soldiers an opportunity to pass the word to their contacts within the ARNG. Again, we solicit your recommendations and comments on Army Guard Tour Notes.

F. Thomas Tucker
Major, SC
Chief, AGR Management Branch

TOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

All initial inquiries to the following tour announcements should be made through your respective State Personnel Offices.

Announcement Number	Description	Office
#2-90	Military Personnel Technicians Data Processing Technicians	NGB-ARP NGB-ARP
#9-90	Automated Data Processing Officers	NGB-IMA
#12-90	Administrative NCOs	NGB
#13-90	General Safety Officer	NGB-AVN

REASSIGNMENTS:

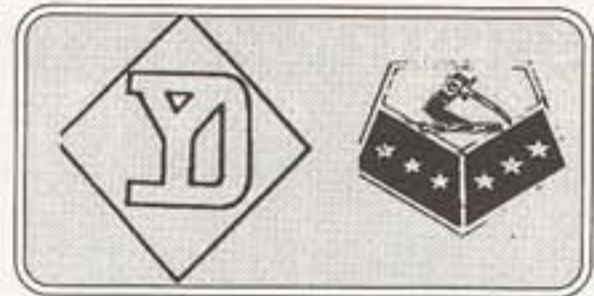
(Assignment information is listed in the following order: Office to which assigned, rank, last name, first name and middle initial, state from which the individual is sponsored. Standard military abbreviations are used in this column but are not used in other portions of this publication.)

May moves:

NGB-ARP, MAJ Tucker, F. Thomas, IA
FORSCOM, LTC Looney, Victor N., Jr., OK
ROTC CC, LTC Walker, Paul D., Jr., IL
USAREUR, MAJ Iiams, Virgil L., MO
USAREUR, MSG Recker, David C., GA
NGB-PEC, CW2 Edmondson, Thomas H., Jr., NC
ISR, SFC Carr, Tori L., ID
NGB-ARP, SGT Smith, Dora A., TX
USAREUR, LTC Sutton, James E., IL
TRADOC, MSG Restuccia, Joseph M., KY
NGB-PEC, SSG Bultman, Gerald T., WI
AMC, MAJ Lassiter, Ronald C., MS
NGB-HR, MAJ Mann, Lynda L., TX
ISR, MSG Malmquist, Allen C., MI
NGB-ARS, COL Savage, William L., OK
SAIS-DISC4, MAJ Simon, David A., SC
NGB-ARA, MAJ O'Connor, Anthony A., OR
FORSCOM, COL Van Sickle, James A., WA
AMC, COL Harrison, William T., NJ
DCSPER, MAJ Checkley, Julia J., NY

FORSCOM, LTC Joplin, Paul H., MO
ISR, MSG Massey, Jacob D., MD
NGB-ARP, SFC Lepak, Linda E., AL
TRADOC, SGM Havens, Franklin H., MO
NGB-PEC, SSG Kennedy, Blondell D., TN
USCINCLANT, Col Robertson, Michael S., NM
NGB-ARI, SFC Francisco, Bonni S., TX
NGB-ARO, MAJ Gonzales, Kenneth A., MO
OASD-PA, CPT Summers, Barbara A., PA
NGB-ARI, MAJ Perkins, David C., KY
NGB-ARP, SFC Thomas, Donna L., KY
NGB-ARM, SFC Johnston, Robert, KS
ODCSLOG, LTC Baldwin, Charles P., IA
NGB-MS, MAJ Compton, Martin D., MD
ISR, SGM Ward, Paul E., OH
ROTC CC, CPT Sargent, Steven E., CA
WAATS-SO, CPT Bishop, Michael P., GA
NGB-ARO, LTC Cook, Frank J., III, AL
NGB-IG, MAJ Morris, Michael, A., WI

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History 101: a look at major NG units

by Lt. Col. Pete Wyro
Editor

(This is the first in a series of articles which seek to increase awareness of the intricate and intertwined heritages of our major units in the Army and Air National Guard. It begins with a monthly look at the Army Guard infantry and armor divisions, and will be followed by major separate brigades and other units.

In each case, the effort is to provide a look at the major unit of the Army National Guard while also identifying any linkage which the heritage of the Army Guard unit may have had with a major unit of the Air National Guard.

Mr. Gary Gault, Air National Guard historian assisted with the lineages of the Air National Guard units.)

26th Infantry Division "Yankee" division

Constituted July 18, 1917 in the National Guard as Headquarters, 26th Division, and to be organized with troops from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

It was organized August 22, 1917 near Boston, Mass., and, following a series of demobilizations and reorganizations, was inducted into federal service January 16, 1941 at Boston, Mass.

Subsequent reorganizations and demobilizations of its various elements ensued. It is today composed of National Guard personnel from Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Campaigns:

World War I - Champagne-Marne, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Ile de France (1918), and Lorraine (1918).

World War II - Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace, Central Europe

Decorations:

Headquarters company for the division was cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in Ardennes.



102nd Fighter Interceptor Wing

Activated as the 101st Observation Squadron, 26th Infantry Division, Nov. 18, 1921 assuming the heritages of the 101st Aero Squadron which served in World War I.

Initially based in the U.S., it later flew combat missions in Europe during World War II. Though not activated for the Korean Conflict, it was ordered to active duty during the Berlin Crisis from October 1961 to August 1962, based at Phaisbourg AB, France.

Home-based at Otis Air National Guard Base on Cape Cod, Mass.

Unit Motto:

Omnis Vir Tigris -- Every man a tiger.

945th Maint. technicians converge on Tobyhanna

by Capt. Al Morris
Delaware Army National Guard

The 945th Maintenance Company preannual training conference called for the unit to refurbish sensitive electronic equipment in a secured rear environment. "That's exactly what took place during the annual training exercise at Tobyhanna Army Depot, Pa.," said 1st Lt. John Coppock, Company Commander.

The 945th is basically a group of technicians who repair and rebuild radios, typewriters, teletype machines, and overhaul any electronic device.

During the annual training exercise, 945th personnel worked side by side with highly skilled civilians who perform electronic repair work day in and day out. "The shop benches, lighting and technical equipment at the Tobyhanna Depot were outstanding," said Coppock. "Our people were able to train for MOS qualification and sustainment."

Private 1st Class Michael Jackson of Felton stated "It was great hands-on training and I really learned how to do the job."



SYSTEMS CHECK - Specialist Jackie Rayne and Private 1st Class Michael Jackson of the 945th Maintenance Company, Delaware Army National Guard, run a systems check on AN/PRC-77 at the Tobyhanna Army Depot. (Photo by Frank Bryson, Delaware Army National Guard).

Approximately 80 guardmembers from the 945th including ten full-time soldiers and 70 M-day soldiers participated in the exercise.

The 945th is located in southern Delaware and attracts most of its personnel from Kent and Sussex counties.

"The convoy north through the mountains of Pennsylvania took about seven hours. We took 23 vehicles up to the depot," said Coppock. "We drove

tractor trailers, 5 ton and 2 1/2 ton trucks and hauled shop vans with electronic repair equipment and generator repair equipment in them. We were to execute proper convoy maneuver throughout the trip."

"Overall, I'd say the exercise went fairly well," concluded Coppock. "Everyone received hands-on training in their MOS. We're also expanding into a cross training program to make the unit more mission capable."

Making Air Force history

137th Tactical Airlift Wing achieves highest ASET rating-ever!

by 2nd Lt. Rory E. Polson
137th TAW Public Affairs

The 137th Tactical Airlift Wing of the Oklahoma Air National Guard recently gave the Air Force and the nation reason to be confident that the Air

National Guard is "mission ready."

In May, active duty members of the 22nd Air Force, Military Airlift Command, sent their Aircrew Standardization/Evaluation Team (ASET) to Will Rogers Air National Guard Base in Oklahoma City.

Their purpose was to assess the 137th TAW's Standardization/Evaluation program which is the heart of aircrew training. When the 22nd AF had completed their inspection, the 137th TAW not only received an "Outstanding" overall rating, they made Air Force history.

"To the best of my knowledge, the 99.5 percent score obtained was the highest score I had ever seen and the highest ever given to any unit in the history of the 22nd Air Force," said Lt. Col. D. Mark Rafferty, ASET Team Chief.

The 137th Tactical Airlift Wing's wartime mission would be providing close combat support for U.S. ground troops and their allies. Within the wing are twenty-six C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft dispersed among three assigned Tactical Airlift Units: the 185th TAS in Oklahoma City, Okla., the 130th TAG in Charleston, W.V., and the 165th TAG in Savannah, Ga.

To provide this ground troop support aircrews must be trained to fly into forward combat areas and deliver needed supplies and equipment. In a national emergency the 137th TAW could be mobilized into federal service falling under the direct command of the 22nd Air Force of the Military Airlift Command.

During the intense three days of the evaluation a total of fourteen missions were flown involving forty-two in-flight evaluations. Of the forty-two there were no discrepancies found. All crew members were assessed including pilots, navigators, flight engineers and loadmasters.



ASET AIRDROP - An Oklahoma Air National Guard c-130H makes airdrop during a recent ASET (Aircrew Standardization/Evaluation Team) inspection in which it not only received an "Outstanding" overall rating, but made Air Force history by scoring a 99.5 percent score, the highest ever given to any unit in the history of the 22nd Air Force. (Photo by Master Sgt. Glen Taylor, Oklahoma Air National Guard)