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1. When will the new 9mm automatic pistols be issued to Air National Guardsmen in Louisiana?

Approximately six months ago NGB/SE inquired as to how many authorized personnel would require the new 9mm pistol and how many would be needed based on our assigned strength. The answer we gave them was 20 authorized, thus we would need 20 right away. However, no official word as delivery date has been received from NGB; but our security police supervisor said he received a call from an Air Force Reserve unit, the 926th Tactical Fighter Group and was advised that they received information through their channels that reserve units would receive the pistols in March of 1987.

2. The Georgia National Guard has M-1 ABRAMS tanks. Are they in Louisiana Guard's future? What about the Bradley IFV?

Sorry to report that neither the

Bradley IFV, nor the M-1 ABRAMS tanks are anticipated in this fiscal year.

3. Are any Air National Guard units planned for central Louisiana or northern Louis-

Proposit for a C-130 flying unit to be located at Esler Field. Alexandria was submitted to NGB in Feb. of 1983. No approval has been given as of this date. The best information available is that funding time. It seems as though NGB's decision was to robust present flying units, for example: increase from 18 UE aircraft to 24 UE aircraft in lieu of creating new units. This would also result in increased manning in some support

4. Do DOD fraternization rules apply to state civil service personnel employed by the Militany Department?

No. State Civil Service Rules do not address fraternization among employees and any

DOD rules or UCMJ articles would not apply to State Civil Service employees. However, this is a military organization and extreme caution should be used by all supervisors to insure that the impression. and that fraternization is part of the decision-making process.

My unit has done a lot of interesting things this year, but I've never seen anything about us in LOUISIANA GUARD. Why so?

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#### Where's the October issue? Trick or treat!

The answer is simple: you're holding it in your hand - it's just wearing a November costume for Halloween. Seriously, it was decided thast since LOUISIANA GUARD was coming out near the end of each month, using the current month made an issue look like "old news" as soon as it was printed.

Therefore, we decided to follow the standard of most magazines, and date our publication ahead one month. Thus, you received this "November" issue in late October or early November; your next issue will be "December," which you will receive in late November, or early December.

The change isn't just cosmetic: we hope to have more news of the "this is going to happen" variety. We're getting plenty of good news about events which have already taken place - what we need

more of is "advance" stories. Don't wait until your unit gets back from AT, or from a special event let us know ahead of little. that you are going! That way we can report the "before" and "after" to our readers - your fellow guardsmen.

So look at it this way: you didn't lose an issue you gained a month! It may seen to be a trick, but the treat will be more and better news for you.

# **Advanced NCO course** an underutilized asset

Enrollment at the Camp Beauregard, training site for the Reserve Component, Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course has rarely reached 50 perconi despite the fact that a nationwide training backlog of 48,000 soldiers in grades E-6 and E-7 continues to plague the Army National Guard. Of those 48,000 individuals, 600 are located here in Louisiana.

In an all-states letter, Maj. Gen. Herbert R. Temple Jr., Army Guard director, is encouraging the states to make use of the regional training center located in our state. The regional RCNCOES program was implemented in fiscal year 1984 for the express purpose of assisting several states in reducing the training backlog for soldiers in grade levels E-4 through E-7.

Additionally, a single training site

located at Camp Beauregard was activated to reduce the RC-ANCOC training backlog. While more than 10,000 Army Guardsmen have graduated from the RG-PNCOC regional program, of which only 145 of those graduates are from Louisiana, attendance at the advanced course has fallen far short of anticipated goals. Enrollment at the advanced regional program has rarely reached 50 percent of the 200-capacity class size.

I urge all potential candidates in the Louisiana Army Guard to attend the Advance Noncomissioned Officer Course. With the kind of excellent training offered at our Academy we could be a reserve force well equipped and ready to fight alongside our activeduty counterparts.



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#### **DPA** Column

#### Retirement rules are confusing, but vital for soldiers to know

By Cd. Lynn H. Bergeron LANG-DPA-SR

Retirement is one of the more attractive features of National Guard membership. Unfortunately, most members have difficulty when they try in their minds to convert service into retirement dollars.

The purpose of this article, which does not address AGR retirement, is to attempt to incorporate guidance from several publications into one source of information. This article does not address retirement for AGR personnel.

The general rule is that a member who has served 20 creditable years may, when he or she achieves age 60, qualify for retirement benefits. These include, but are not limited to, a retirement annuity, medical care, and exchange and commissary privileges.

So let's start at the beginning - how is your retirement year (RY) established? It begins on the day you enlisted in the National Guard providing all of your service has been in the Guard and you've never had a break in service. If you've had prior service, or have had a break in service, your RY begins on the date you last achieved active status in a reserve component of any Armed Force. Let's look at some examples:

SGT Snuffy joined the Guard on 1 June 1964, and extended within 90 days of each ETS and has never had a break in service.

His RY? Easy — his RY begins 1 June and ends 31 May.
— SFC Brown joined the Guard on 1 June 1964 and was separ ated on 31 May 1970. He then reenlisted on 15 October 1973 and has had no breaks in service since then. His RY is 15 Oct through 14 Oct, 15 October being the date on which he last achieved active Reserve status.

SGT Green enlisted in the Regular Army on 18 September 1966 for three years and was separated and transferred to the USAR Control Group on 15 September 1969 for completion of his six year reserve obligation. He enlisted in the Guard on 20 October 1969. His RY is 15 Sept. - 14 Sept. His Regular Army enlistment date cannot be used to compute his RY; once again, we must use the date he last achieved active status in a reserve component, in this case 15 Sept. It is important to make the distinction between Regular Army service and service on active duty as a member of the USAR. Most officers who join the National Guard following a period of active duty served as USAR (not RA) officers, as in the following instance.

 — CPT Jones was commissioned from ROTC on 15 May 1979.
He was not offered an RA commission, but served until 10 May 1983 on active duty, and was then transferred to the USAR Control Group (Reinforcement). On 1 September 1983, he was appointed in the National Guard. His RY is 15 May - 14 May. Incidentally, service in ROTC is disregarded when computing retirement. Service in the USAR Control Groups is considered active status unless the orders specify "USAR Control Group (Inactive)." Transfer to the Inactive National Guard also breaks the retirement year.

the retirement year.

Your retirement annuity will be computed on three factors: the highest grade you've held in any component of any armed force; your years of service; and the number of points you have earned throughout your career. In order to determine your points creditable for retirement, we must distinguish between inactive duty (IDT) points earned at drill and other points. One inactive duty point is awarded for each UTA or ATA performed and fifteen for being a member of a reserve unit. In addition, one point is earned for each three hours of Army Extension Courses.

However, only 60 IDT points per year are creditable for retire-

However, only 60 IDT points per year are creditable for retirement purposes. In addition to these IDT points, an unlimited number (subject to no more than 365 points) can be earned on the basis of one point for each day of active duty, AT, FTTD, ADT, etc. All points are recorded on the members NGB Form 23 which is maintained in the unit, and should be reviewed annually by the member.

A member is ineligible for retirement benefits until he has attained the age of 60 and has accrued twenty retirement years of 50 points or more each — so called "good years." Your unit should submit a request to verify your eligibility for retirement as soon as you have served twenty creditable years. This application will result in award of a certificate to you to preclude your being denied benefits upon reaching age 60 even if an error has been made in computing your creditable time.

Of course, you may still be denied benefits if the error was the result of deliberate misrepresentation on your part. This certifi-cate also makes you eligible for enrollment in the Survivor Benefit Program. If you have served in another component, you should



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Lt. Col. Kenneth Richard Assistant State Chaplain

# Cathedrals of faith we build

In July I was privileged to go on a three week pilgrimage to Europe. This trip covered six countries: Belgium, West Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy and France. It was an inspirational and rewarding experience. I was one of the twenty three pilgrims,

The shrines, cathedrals and monuments we visited constantly brought to mind the beauty of tradition: Time and time again I was especially impressed with the

faith of our ancient European friends. This did not just happen. The faith was instilled in them by God. How else can one explain so many magnificent cathedrals, some of which took many decades to build?

We know that the greatest cathedral can end up being just an empty building. It is left to people to give "soul" to a church. This raises an important question: are we making our bodies, our lives, cathedrals of faith? Do we realize that we have a lifetime (decades) to accomplish this? It's never too late to start, but, in general, the more time we spend on our cathedral the more pleasing it will be to God. We are the architects, we are the builders, we are the artists, we are the ones who must give to God the finished product — our cathedral of faith.



# SAFETY SEZ

By CW3 Stanley Sirgo

#### Safety very important as combat multiplier for National Guard

Maj. Gen. A.M. Stroud's current Louisiana National Guard slogan is "Commitment to Excellence." Applicable to all units throughout the state, the Louisiana National Guard truly is a living example of excellence, committed to miss throughout the state and for the federal mission of keeping the peace in times of war should the need arise. Similarly, the Safety Section

committed to excellence, conducting workplace inspec-tions. Workplace inspections strive toward quality work environments, free from hazards to the employee; thus facilita-ting high productivity and de-creased time losses from ocu-pational illneses and injuries.

High productivity and prevention of lost time off the job can provide units with a deci-sive edge in the missions it is

Perhaps some of the most notable of all the programs the Louisiana National Guard has participated in is the "It's always time for safety" dot that was worn on watches of members statewide. Most recently used was the flash in the helmet liners of 3rd Battalion, 156th Infantry troops at the NTC saying "Bayou Bandits are Safe." These types of programs, more geared to the total realm of National Guard training have the prevention of personnel, equipment and material loss as their aim. Safety is a combat multiplier, assisting the commander, as well as the National Guard as a whole to

The Safety Section will continue to advocate several safety programs within the state, because safety awareness, whether on the battlefield, in training exercises, in the work place, or at home is worth the



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# Guard helps out in wake of Hurricane Elena

By Sgt. Maria L. Jonkers 241ST PAD

No sooner had the Louisiana National Guard been activated to evacuate residents in the path of Hurricane Danny, they were called on once again to conduct clean-up in the aftermath of Hurricane Elena.

Bogalusa was hardest hit during the destructive wind and rain of Labor Day's hurricane. Most of the damage came from fallen trees: trees in yards, trees through roofs, roofs torn off. Fortunately no deaths or injuries occurred.

"To drive down these streets you'd never believe what it looked like the day after the storm," said Louis Rawls, Mayor of Bogalusa, a week after the hurricane. "They were totally impassable. Huge trees just crisscrossed across the roads."

The entire city of 17,000 people was without water, electricity, and in some areas, telephone service.

Governor Edwards declared it the worst hit town in the state, and sent in the Guard the very same day of the hurricane. The Guard also helped clean up in nearby Franklinton.

The guardsmen from the 205th Engineering Battalion in Bogalusa worked strictly on parish property.

"The guardsmen aren't getting on private property unless it's a life-threatening situation and the people involved don't have the means to take care of it," Mayor Rawls said.

The first to survey and assess the damage was Ltc. Wilson L. Majoz, Jr., 205th Battalion Commander, who even during the

hurricane itself began directing emergency efforts.

Maj. Gen. Ansel M. Stroud flew over the next day to observe the area and talk to military and civilian officials. The day following, Governor Edwards toured the devastated streets.

"From the air the damage doesn't look extreme. You can't appreciate the damage till you get on the ground," the Mayor said.

Ssg. Lane Lawson, NCOIC of Company C supervised a team of guardsmen and inmates working in the northwestern section of Bogalusa. The process involved loading the guard trucks with trees and debris, and dumping the load in the city land-fill.

"I've only seen one house trailer really torn up," he said. "Our area's not that bad. We'll probably be out of here and into another section in about two or three days."

Civil Defense director Bill Armour remarked, "A couple of twisters must have spun off and touched down during the hurricane, I'm sure of it. You'll have some houses with roofs torn off, or trees through their walls, and right next door a house'll be standing with no damage."

Since the beginning of clean-up Companies A, B, C, D, detachments B, D and HHC of the 205th Engineering Group had been working 0730 to 1600 hour-restoring the town to normal. For the first few days Bogalux observed a dusk to dawn curfew. Said Sheriff Benny Rayburn,

Said Sheriff Benny Rayburn,
"The state police came in also,
and they really helped to keep city
residents from joyriding in the

city. We had no problem with looters. But we could have."

In charge of organizing the civilian sectors clean-up efforts was Bill Armor of the Civil Defense. It fell to him to coordinate the Fire Department, the Sheriff's office, the State Troopers, the Civil Defense agency, and the Washington Correctional Institute inmates. He served as the link between the agencies and the mayor.

On the military side this duty fell to Major John Douglas, who served as the military link between MG Stroud and the mayor.

MG Stroud and the mayor.
On the streets SFC Harold Newman served as NCOIC of the operation. He assigned the cleanup teams and organized the maximum usage of the manpower and the equipment.

"This was a classic case of an NCO-run operation," commented Maj, John Douglas. "The officers set up communications and directed the operation, and the NCO's made it happen."

The Guard supplied generators for a dialysis hospital, and for the Red Cross when it was providing emergency meals for the first three days. Water for the City Hall building and a 6,000 gallon water trailer for the fire department was made available. Communications were provided for the police department.

A breakdown of vehicles in operation included eighteen 5-ton dump trucks, six 20-ton dump trucks, two wreckers, two 25-ton cranes, one front loader, sixteen chain saws, two fuel trucks, and

five 1½ ton trucks.
"If the National Guard wasn't here helping, who knows how long it would have taken to clean the town up. Residents are piling the trees and branches along the streets on the public property line,

An unfortunate home-owner receives unexpected air-conditioning when Hurricane Elena knocks a tree through his front wall. (Photo by John Lambert, La. Military Newspapers)

and the Guard trucks are coming along and hauling them off," Mayor Rawls said.

The last guardsman finished the job assigned to the 205th on 4 October; one month and two days after Hurricane Elena first hit. In all 1,986 man days were expended at a cost of roughly \$100,000.

As private citizens cleared their lawns, and as troops worked at clearning the streets one elderly citizen watched the clean-up efforts being conducted in his netheborhood and remarked, "Yea, they've been out here everyday. Everyday, with those trucks, coming and going. You couldn't even walk down this street when it [Hurricane Elena] hit. The National Guard and those other clean-up agencies should be appraised plenty."



#### Dump trucks and front loaders employed from the 205th Engr Bn in Bogalusa work at restoring the fown's streets back to normal after a whirlwind visit from Hurricane Elena. (Photo by John Lambert, La. Military Newspapers)

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# Beetle battle goes on in Louisiana pine forests



By PFC Darrell V. Doiron 241st PAD

away at Louisiana's pine trees, while National Guardsmen continue to chew away with chainsaws. Ironically, the winner will be determined by which kills the most trees, and the outcome will ultimately determine the survival of many of Louisiana's forests and much of the timber industry.

In August, Governor Edwin W. Edwards authorized the use of the National Guard to combat the epidemic. Through October 4th, the Guard has expended 3,299 mandays on this mission, according to Lt. Col. James L. Anderson, military support officer.

"Dollar-wise," added Col. Charles A. Bourgeouis, Jr., Director of State Resources, "it's running about \$48 per man-day, not including equipment.

That totals about \$158,000 from an already anemic state

The beetle plaque devours not only wood pulp, but taxpayer's paper money, as well. And state efforts to receive federal funding have been unsuccessful.

"The feds haven't done anything except allow us to use our Army equipment," Col. Bourgeouis said.

The National Forestry Service,

on the federal level, coordinates between the land owner and the National Guard for permission to cut on their property, Anderson said. It also determines crew size and the total number of men needed.

This latter figure may change from week to week, Anderson said. For example, the number of slots rose from 112 to 120 from the first to second weeks in October. There are also one officer and two enlisted maintenance men at the 225th Engineer Group at Camp Beauregard.

The forestry service established 15 seven-men crews, two five-men crews and also a three-man bulldozer crew, Anderson said. It also shows which trees are to be cut, by either pre-marking them, or by sending an individual out with the Guard teams

Because the Guard teams rely on volunteers, we are not always able to fill all slots, Anderson

week after week after week," he said. "It depends on who is available to work. Those who can work receive on-the-job training. Here at Jackson Barracks we act as coordinating headquarters, informing them of, 'this is what General Stroud has authorized, and this is what the forestry service requested."

Forestry official Lim Harris explains how the blue ridges in the rings of the area created by the boring pine-beefles causes the wood to be exceptionally dry in that area. (Photo by John Lambert, La. Military Newspapers)

## Where the bugs are

#### PARISHES - Epidemic Stage

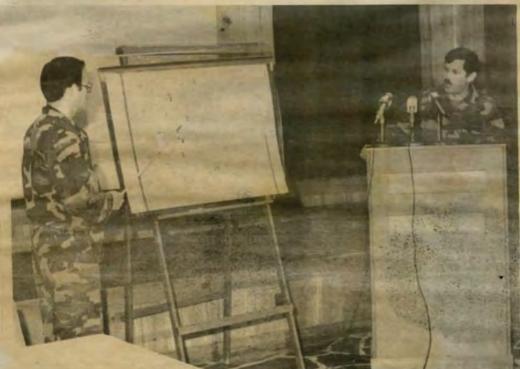
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Maj. Randy Hillborn of the 225th Engineering Group points out where the ravaged acres of pine trees are located throughout Louisiana. (Photo by John Lambert, La. Military Newspapers)





Above: A bulldozer loads up the last trunks of pine from an area in which the infested trees have been cleared (Photo by John Lambert, La. Military Newspapers)

Left: A Huey helicopter from the Army Aviation Support facilities surveys and

Below: SGT Curtis Johnson of Bastrop, La. points to the pine-beetles swarming over a piece of consumed pine bark. The pine beetles, which are the size of a grain of rice, are impossible to see from this distance. (Photo by John Lambert, La. Military Newspapers)

# Beetle bytes

- As of the week of October 7, 120 guardsmen are on active duty fighting the pine beetles.

  2 crews in North Rapides Parish

  2 crews in Winn Parish

  1 crew in Jackson Parish

  1 crew in Bienville

  4 crews in Caddo Parish

  5 crews in Natchitoches Parish

  1 crew in Allen and Boss Parish

  2 crews in East Feliclana Parish

- Crews have cut over 65,000 trees so forth using 2,000 personnel.

  The Guard has spent \$231,000 during this operation or roughly \$2.31 per
- tries.

  \$35-45 million worth of damage has been caused by the beetles, and 100,000 acres of pine trees have been intestated.

  \$2,379 new infested spots have been discovered so forth in October.

  70,000 to 120,000 beetles attach each tree, each bug no bigger than a grain of rice.

- tree, each bug no bigger than a grain of rice.
  From above the infestation is spotted by the rusty red and yellow-orange discoloration of the trees. Within the trees themselves the beetles leave a dry blue ridge.
  Texas has been coping with a beetle intestation for the past three years.
  Our own problem could continue well into next year.
  Since the bugs are moving in a northeasterly direction Virginia can expect to have the pine-beetle problem in a year or so.



# Safety keystone of Aviation Units' success

By Sgt. William J. Rappold

Men and women's efforts are often lost in the reporting of unit "milestones"; numbers do not always do justice to the personal achievements of its individual

Nor. do "milestones" always show us significant changes, or the rest of the course to be travelled as seen in the mind of a unit's commander - the real business of leaving behind significant "milestones" - to show, "this is where we have been and this is where we're going".

this is where we're going".

Recording "milestones" has long been the case for Louisiana National Guard Aviation Units,

however, significant individual accomplishments and changes are evident as reflected by the 1985 Annual Report soon to be released by Army Aviation Commander, Colonel Paul D. Alford Jr.

Heralding an enviable "Zero Aviation Accident Record" for ten consecutive years, the "can-do", attitude of all unit members is clearly evident in the 33,498 hours flown without a reportable accident "milestone"

Safety! Safety! Safety! is the by-word of the aviators, crew members and mission support personnel assigned to the Lakefront New Orleans units.

The significance of last month's enlistment of W2 Lois Christensen as a Louisiana Army National Guard Aviator is one of those "milestones" that easily overthe seemingly comes insignificance of the number "I" as reported by data.

CW2 Christensen is Louisiana's first female Army Guard Aviator and exemplifies the "Be All You Can Be" attitude nurtured by Today's Total Army. This "milestone" also marks the path for others to follow.

Another "first" in Louisiana army aviation history is this past year's successful 1700 mile overseas deployment to the Republic of Panama of aircraft and personnel in support of "Blazing

Over one hundred aviation personnel demonstrated their "cando" anywhere, anyplace, anytime attitude working side by side with pilots and crewchiefs from Puerto Rico, Alabama, North Carolina, and Missouri to provide needed aviation service in support of the completion of a vital roadway in a remote section of Panama.

Louisiana aviators helped to reduce an eighteen hour boat trip or a grueling eight hour convoy overland to one hour and twenty minutes!

The benefits of this "mile-stone" are immediate are immediate and longlasting.

Aviators gained personal experience flying the mountainous terrain of Panama with winds from both the Pacific Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico challenging

their abilities. Logistically, the Louisiana Army Aviation Units have the experience of an overseas deployment behind them, acquiring knowledge gained useful in support of a possible future deployment.

Some 400 hours were flown by the Louisiana National Guard pilots while in the Republic of Panama. This past year, some 3,725 hours were flown by the 64 pilots stationed at Lakefront New

Laying the foundation for future "milestones", more hours were flown this past year in the high-risk environments, and next year will see added emphasis of night tactical operations and ter-



The "can-do" attitude of the La. Guard Aviation units is clearly evident by the 33,498 hours flown without a reportable accident. (Photo by 241st PAD)



Members of the Army Aviation Support facility located at the Lakefront Airport load a Huey onto a C-5A in preparation for Blazing Trails '85. (Photo by 241st PAD)

Maj. Gen. Edward L. Trobaugh (right) as they observe a mock battle at the Army's National Training Center, Ft. Irwin, CA.

# Maj. Gen. Stroud joins stars at NTC

shoulder of 15 Fifth Army generals shone down recently from a mountain plateau at the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, Calif., as a mock battle raged below between Louisiana Army National Guard units and an NTC motorized rifle regiment.

Led by Lt. Gen, Louis G. Menetrey, Fifth Army command-er, and Maj. Gen. Edward L. Trobaugh, deputy commander, all the generals including Maj. Gen. Ansel M. Stroud, Jr., were taking-part in the FORSCOM (Forces Command) Leaders Training Program. FORSCOM is higher headquarters for the five continental U.S. armies.

The Fifth Army generals were flown to the mountain observa-tion point just before dawn to view the mock battle below. It was fought between the Louisiana Army National Guard "good guys" (Task Force 1/40th Armor, and Companies B and C from the 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry, 256th Infantry Brigade of Lafa-yette) and the "bad guys" (a Fort lewin motorized rifle regiment).

Just after dawn when the "bad attacked, the generals' binoculars went up simultaneously as they checked the progress of the Opposing Force across the rugged terrain. The "good guys" were ready.

When it was over, Lt. Gen. Menetrey echoed the sentiments of all the generals when he said, I can assure you that NTC's reputation as the world's toughest training center is well-deserved. There, our troops and equipment can be deployed quickly into a situation as close to combat as possible - to face an opposing force so like those we may face on the battlefield someday."

Following are the 13 Fifth Army generals who accompanied Menetrey and Trobaugh:

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Maj. Gen. Edward D. Baca, New Mexico state adjutant general, Santa Fe; Maj. Gen. Colin C. Campbell, commander, 35th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; Maj. Gen. Fred M. Carter,

Arkansas state adjutant general, North Little Rock; Brig. Gen. Walter J. Dingler, Texas assistant adjutant general, Austin; Maj. Gen. James B. McGoodwin, commander, 49th Armored Division, Austin; Maj. Gen. Robert M. Morgan, Oklahoma state adjutant general, Oklahoma City; Maj. Gen. Ansel M. Stroud Jr., Louisiana state adjutant general, New Orleans; and Brig. Gen. Davle E. Williamson, commander, 67th Infantry Brigade (Mech anized), Lincoln, Neb

ARMY RESERVE

Brig. Gen. Alvin W. Jones, commander. 420th Engineer Brigade, Bryan, Texas; Maj. Gen. Jack Strukel Jr., commander, 89th Army Reserve Command, Wichita, Kan.; Maj. Gen. Harold J. Wages, commander, 95th Division (Training), Midwest City, Okla.; Brig. Gen. Robert L. Wick Jr., commander, 807th Medical Brigade, Seagoville, Texas; and Maj. Gen. Guilford J. Wilson Jr., commander 75th Maneuver Area Command, Maneuver Houston.

# Guard helps Scouts celebrate diamond Jubilee

By Sgt. Maria L. Jonkers 241st PAD

The Boy Scouts of America celebrated their 75th birthday in September with a three day
"Jubilec Camporee" held in New
Orleans' City Park.
The theme "Pride in the Past,
Footsteps to the Future" was

celebrated with campfires, competitions, demonstrations, and the highlight adventure: outdoor cooking

The Louisiana National Guard supported the Camporee with tents, water trailers, PA systems, communications, medical sup-port, signs, a flat bed trailer, and

The Marine Corps Band provided music for the opening ceremonies which took place even as more troops were arriving from throughout the state.

Jimmy Fitzmorris Jr., chairman, mentioned in his opening remarks that over 1,200 boyscouts would be attending the jubilee. Maj. Gen. Ansel M. Stroud also

attended the ceremony. Introduced to the scouts as the "top military person in all the state" he said, "Scouting is what you make of it. I hope each and everyone of you avails your talents to make the most of this time."

campout ever held by the New Orleans council consisted of nine district camporees and a miniscout show.

Some of the boyscout competition were Fire by Flint and Steel with the object being to set a tender blazing in the shortest amount of time, the Knot Tying Relay, the First-Aid Stretcher Race, a compass card game, and a nature event which required the scouts to name ten of the twenty plant specimens on display.

By noon Sunday the City Park campsite which has previously been swarming with troops and tents and flags was deserted. And as the Camporee rule book requested, the troops left the campsite in better shape than it was before they camped on it.

"It takes people to plan, program and put this thing together." said Alvin R. Vath the general chairman and coordinator, in the opening ceremonies before intro-

mittees who assisted in making the these putting in these hours a camporee a reality. weekend like this could not be "Without gentlemen such as possible." he said.

# 159th MASH lends hand the most of this time." The Jubilee, the largest scout to keep Scouts safe

By 1Sg Chris De Pascual 159th MASH

Members of the 159th MASH were recently involved in Medical Support for the New Orleans Area Council Jubilee Camporee at City Park during the dates of 27-29 September 1985.

This event required the services of one physician, two nurses and 20 enlisted medical personnel. They maintained a 24 hour Emergency First Aid Station in support of over 1,500 scouts.

The 159th MASH moved onto Scout Island at City Park before noon Friday and became operational prior to the start of the Camporee. During the next two days the Medical Support Team furnished emergency and routine medical treatment to many scouts. Although, capable of handling serious injuries the need fortunately did not arise.

SFC Robert L. Gordon, Chief Wardmaster, of the 159th MASH

its entirety. He was responsible for the operation and staffing of the Emergency Treatment Facility. His experience is crucial in medical support missions of this nature, which, have been provided by the 159th MASH on many occasions.

The individuals selected to participate in these events are highly trained professionals in the Medical Field. Their caring and sincere devotion to duty reflects greatly on the 159th MASH and the Louisiana Army National



AAH! — Thirsty Boyscouts quench their thirst at one of the water trailers supplied by the 141st FA (Photo by SGT Maria L. Jonkers)

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# Ground is broken for new armory in Bunkie

By Sgt Maria L. Jonkers 241st PAD

Mayor Fred Feeney uprooted the first spade full of soil and grass in the Ground Breaking ceremony that marked construction of the new Bunkie Armory which will house the 2228th Engineer Company, commanded by ILt. James E. Boutte.

The Engineer company is presently working out of the old Albertson building, a former pajama factory. While accommodations are good, they are such that rifles have to be stored at the 199th Spt Bn in Alexandria, and vehicles are kept at UTES #1 in Camp Beauregard.

The new armory will sit on 16,000 square feet of land and will consist of an administrative office, suply and storage rooms, a kitchen, an assembly area, a rifle range, and military and civilian vehicle parking lots.

The brick, masonry and steel structure scheduled for completion in April of 1986 will be constructed at a cost of \$948,430.00. Approximately 4 acres of land are leased to the military department from the town of Bunkie. Presently it is the site of a long unused football field.

"I think the armory will blend aesthetically into the whole environment here," commented Mayor Fred Feeney.

Others present at the Ground Breaking Ceremony were M.D. Descant, the contractor from Bunkie, Gene Glanker, the architect; Col. James Corley, LAARNG Chief of Staff; Representative Raymond LaBorde, and Senator John Saunders.

"I'd like to thank the National Guard for choosing to locate their new armory in Bunkie," said Mayor Feeney, "I believe it'll be ideally located in this agricultural area."



GROUND BREAKING — (From Left to Right) Gene Glanker - Architect; 1LT. James Boutte - Company Cdr. of 2228 Engr Co.; Steve Shepard - City Council member; SGM Earl Picard - Company SGM of Battalion; LTC Don Bringol - 2228th Engr. Bn.; Don Meeker - City Councilman; Mayor Fred Teeney; Bruce Coulon - City Councilman; Senator John Saunders; Lee Thevenot - Tax Assessor; COL. James Corley - ARNG Chief of Staff (Photo by Maria Jonkers).

# Junior Olympic shooters sharpen skills at Jackson Barracks

By Sgt Maria L. Jonkers

Over the weekend of 28-29 Sept., nineteen kids from around the state met at Jackson Barracks to participate in the National Rifle Association's Junior Olympic Shooting Camp.

Some had never shot a small bore rifle before this weekend, but everyone, including those with experience were trained throughout the day Saturday.

Held at the 141st Field Artillery the Louisiana Army Guard Supplied quarters for the evening, classrooms for instructions and ranges for the Small Bore Rifle, Air Rifle and Air Pistol Events.

The shooting camp sponsored by Explorer Post 935 was open to any junior, age twelve to twenty, male and female. This camp saw five girls

"Girls have a more natural stance," said SGM Mickey Brondum, Camp Director for this camp, and coach of Explorer Post 935. "The boys watch with amazement when a girl picks up that rifle, cocks that hip out and rests her elbow in there for support. That's an advantage girls

In attendance were kids from Chalmette, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Livingston, Metairie, Port Allen, Brusly and Arabi. Saturday was spent in training and practical application of the 22 caliber rifles supplied by the East Baton Rouge Junior Deputy Sheriff's Rifle Club.

Using the buddy system, one participant would spot for the other, and together they would align the sites to adjust their aim. Armed with an 11 pound air rifle these competitors were shooting at a target 33 feet away whose 10 ring was smaller than the size of a pinhead.

Employing the buddy system the participants were taught to shoot in the standing, sitting, kneeling and prone position.

Come Sunday, the buddy system was retired, and then it was each individual pitted against one another. Taking first place at this event would qualify the winner to go on to the National Rifle Association's Special Achievement Camp held at the Junior Olympic's Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

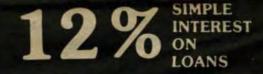
"The kids chosen to go will be judged on skill, of course, behavior, discipline and his or her ability to accept coaching," SGM Brondum said. By noon Sunday the match was over and the winners were announced, Michael Peterson Jr. from Metairie will be representing La. in the Pistol competition, and Sean Strauss from Baton Rouge will be representing La. in the Rifle competition.

#### Retention on a Weight Control Program

There has been confusion concerning the length of time an individual can remain on a WCP.

The length of time an individual can remain on a WCP may exceed 6 months from the date of the commander's notification or the maximum number of months prescribed by health care personnel (HCP).

The definition of satisfactory progress is a total weight loss over the period equal to the number of months multiplied by the monthly weight loss goal established by HCP.



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#### COMMAND NOTES-

# Being eligible for promotion is individual responsibility

ANG Topics from Headquarters Louisiana Air National Guard



By BG James J. Hourin Commander, La ANG

Since military rank and military pay are linked to one another, we would all welcome a promotion and raise in pay.

Requirements that must be met to be eligible for promotion

include AFSC qualification and professional education requirements. While supervisors closely monitor AFSC qualification, individuals are primarily responsible for completing the professional military education (PME) courses needed to be eligible for

PME requirements for promotion to the following grades are: Sgt (E-4) — ANG Leadership School, Phase 1; AF Resident Leadership School; or ECI Leadership School (Mandatory)
SSgt (E-5) — Resident AF/ANG Leadership Course (Desirable)

TSgt (E-6) and TSgt (E-7) — Resident AF/ANG NCO Academy (Desirable) SMS (E-8) and CMS (E-9) — Resident or ECI AF/ANG

Senior NCO Academy (Mandatory)

MAJ (0-4) - Resident or ECI Squadron Officer School

LTC (0-5) - Resident or ECI Air Command and Staff Course

COL (0-6) - Resident or ECI Air War College or National

Security Management Course (Mandatory)
Some airmen are promoted under the deserving airman program and a number of our officers are selected for mandatory promotion under the Reserve Officer Personnel Act (ROPA). The vast majority, however, are promoted under the unit vacancy promotion program. Individuals must occupy duty positions with authorized grades higher than their assigned grades to be considered for a unit vacancy promotion.

years, there have been individuals who failed to complete PME courses because they felt they had progressed as far as the manning document permitted. As they saw it, they had no promotion visibility, so why bother with PME? For several dedicated and deserving members, position vacancies did occur and promotion was otherwise possible, but because they hadn't completed PME requirements, they could not be promoted. What

Costly miscalculation!

How about you? Have you completed your PME? Are your prepared to answer when opportunity knocks? If not, see TSG Kathy Menendez in the CBPO at the 159TFG, MSG Sal Marrone.

at the 214EIS, or SSG Charly Timm at the 236CISS for PME enrollment information.

#### FAREWELL TO A WINNER

When SMS Klaus Siebert joined us as Senior Recruiter in October 1980, he was already a winner, having earned recognition as ANG Recruiter of the Year for two consecutive years while working for the Ohio Air National Guard

Klaus was ready for a new challenge, and we didn't disappoint him, Our manning stood at 86%. Klaus set up an effective high school visitation program which led to increased non-prior service enlistments, held regular training session for production recruiters, accepted frequent speaking invitations to spread the Louisiana Air National Guard story throughout the New Orleans - Hammond - Baton Rouge area, and established an outstanding relationship with the local broadcast media. He brought about an unprecedented number of public service announce-ments, many in prime time, which dramatically increased public awareness of our units and their missions.

Klaus retired on 31 July 1985, but not before he accomplished what he set out to do. When he departed to accept a position and a new challenge as a Junior Air Force ROTC Instructor at a Charlotte, North Carolina high school, our manning was at

We in the Louisiana Air National Guard are fortunate Klaus chose to be with us the last five years, because we are better manned and more capable of performing our mission today than we were when he first joined us. For his outstanding work, Klaus was presented the Louisiana Distinguished Service Medal. He is the first enlisted member of the Louisiana National Guard to be presented the state's highest decoration for meritorious service.

In addition, Klaus has been recommended for the Air Force Legion of Merit for his accomplishments and is the first enlisted La ANG member to be recommended for this, the Air Force's

and gratitude. I'm sure all join me in bidding a hale and hearty farewell and best wishes to SMS Klaus Siebert — a born winner.

# Air Guard commanders hold conference at Jackson Barracks

By Maj. Michael A. Cushman Commander, 159 ISF, LAANG

The Louisiana Air National Guard commanders and senior staff met for a two day commanders conference at historic Camp Beauregard on 13 and 14 September 85. Under the leader-ship of Brig. Gen. James J. Hourin, the conferees concen-trated their deliberations on the topic of manning as it relates to readiness.

Participants were divided into working groups, each being assigned one of four sub-topics including Public Affairs, Recruiting, Training and Retention. Discipline experts from each of the four areas attended, and supplied background material.

The conference was conducted in three sessions, with the first consisting of familiarization briefs for all attendees. The four working groups met separately during the second session, each to discuss their findings; identify issues; and develop recommendations.

During the last session, each working group leader presented the results to all assembled. Action items were assigned by Brig. Gen. Hourin to insure

Lt. Col. John H. Wayert, Jr., Air Operations Staff Director,

was the leader of the Public Affairs Working Group. A major conclusion of the conference was the need to develop a formal "Public Affairs Plan" for FY-86. Cd. Ralph J. Melancon, Planning and Programming Officer, concentrated his efforts in the Re-cruiting arena. Col. Robert V. Havron, Director of Logistics, led the Training working group, and Lt. Col. Russel G. Costanza, Planning and Programming Staff Officer, was in charge of the Retention working group.

This group of senior officers assigned to the Headquarters Staff was picked by Brig. Gen. Hourin to emphasize the importance of the manning issues as they relate to overall readiness.

Other issues and challenges discussed at the conference included:

- Increased utilization of employer support awards

The implications of the new

Sponsorship of an Employers Revitalization of our

Speakers Bureau - Enhancement of the Career

Advisor's role - Closer coordination between Commanders and Recruiters

- Sharper focus on officer recruiting

- Improvements of OJT Effectiveness performance vs. ANG standards

- The need for integrated training plans and schedules

Consideration to the conduct of planning meetings outside of the UTA

Development of an OJT - Spouse/parent appreciation

functions - Timely promotions - Increased mission awareness

The conference attendees were treated to a steak cookout at the fine facilities of the Camp Beaure-gard Officers Club. The Army Guard was a great host, and the conference facilities were perfect for the working-group format.

During his closing remarks Brig. Gen. Hourin reemphasized the need to enhance our readiness posture as a continuing item for responsibility for this challenge squarely on the shoulders of the Air Commanders and senior staff.

The Air Headquarters staff is already making plans for the next Commanders Conference to be held 14-16 March 86. It is a sure bet that the first agenda item will be a check of the progress made on the recommendations from the Camp Beauregard meeting.



ALL LOUISIANA AIR NATIONAL GUARD COMMANDERS and key staff people converged on 1 amp Beauregard in September for a two-day conference on retention, training, recruiting and public affairs. After a brief address by team leaders, commanders split into groups for open problem-solving discussions. The session was coordinated by Air Guard Commander Brig. Geo. James Hourin and Maj. Michael Cushman, commander of the 159th Information Services Flight. (Air Guard Photo by Maj. Barry Zander)

# Morale high as 159th CAMS makes transition to F-15

159th JFG, LAANG

Being ready to maintain and arm a new generation of aircraft
- the F-15 - requires new skills for the entire 159th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron: Making certain that the transition and training are proceeding on schedule ultimately weighs on Lt. Col. Charles S. Rousseau, deputy commander for maintenance.

Lt. Co. Rousseau was interewed for a progress report on the conversion:

#### Q: What is the main difference between supporting the F-15 and

ROSSEAU: The main difference is the availability of parts and test equipment. Since the F-4 has been in the Air Force and Air Guard inventory much longer, parts and test equipment are more readily available. Being the first and only Air Guard unit to convert to the F-15. Air Force units are reluctant to release critical parts and equipment. During conversion, the National Guard Bureau will compete on a command level -Bureau vs. Air Force

for critical assets.

#### Q: Have you established goals for

ROSSEAU: Yes, our goals are to become proficient as a technician force and to train our weekenders to become as capable as they are

with the F-4. Our main goal is to be not only the best Guard Unit, but the best F-15 Unit in the

#### Q: What is going better than expected in the conversion?

ROSSEAU: Cooperation between the Operations and Maintenance Sections is better than it has ever been. They have worked hand-inglove with us on the flying schedule. We cannot furnish them the sorties they want - only those they need.

#### Q: What has been the effect on

ROSSEAU: Morale is high! Everyone from the top down not only knows we are the best, they want everyone to know we are the best. They are working and training very hard.

#### Q: Is the training schedule a hard-

ship on your members? ROSSEAU: Yes, it is hard. There is a constant movement of technicians and many have been away from home a good part of the year. We all know that being a Guardsman means more than having a job, it is a total way of

#### Q: How are we doing?

ROSSEAU: The recruiters are working hard and the technician supervisors are hiring people-weekly in preparation for the new mission. We are also crossmission.

have a multi-talented force. That is one of the benefits of the Guard program - we can support ourselves internally.

# Q: What types of equipment changes is CAM Squadron adapt-ing to?

ROSSEAU: Total! The only things that have remained the same are common testers and mechanical tools. The concept of the "15" is that of the Air Force where everyone is specialized in one area. Eventually we will have to cross-train our personnel to become proficient with both shop and flight-line equipment. The Engine Shop is totally differnt. They are now being trained to put modules together rather than disassemble engines.

#### Q: Could this conversion be considered a way to give Guardsmen new enthusiasm?

ROSSEAU: Yes. The F-4 was common throughout the Air Guard inventory: the F-15 is not. Being the first Air Guard Unit to fly the Eagle has everyone proud to be a member of the Coonass Militia. Let me conclude by saying, we were fortunate with the F-4 because Air Force units were converting to the Eagle, and we acquired many spare parts they had left over. With the "15" that is not going to happen, because parts, black boxes and test equip-ment is in great demand through-out the F-15 community.



enlisted in the Air Guard in 1954, starting out in Operations. In the Maintenance (DCM) enlisted in the Air Guard in 1954, starting out in Operations. In the Maintenance Squadron, he crewed the B-26, C-45, F-80 and F-86, and spent one day on the F-102 before being given the task of creating Maintenance Control. He was commissioned in 1963, and has been a technician for 30 years. (Photo by 159th IFG, Photo Lah)



"MRS. LT. COL." (LUCY) MUSSO accepts a special spouse appreciation gift from narrator Maj. Bob Lobos, as her husband, Lt. Col. Frank Musso, squadron commander, applauds the presentation. Chef Lt. Brian Charboneau helps with

# Spouses honored by 159th

By MAJ Robert Lobos 159th CSS, LAANG

Recognizing that a Guardsman's service to the country effects more than just his life, the 159th Combat Support Squadron presented its second annual Parent/Spouse Appreciation Night at Schiro Hall at Jackson Barracks.

The Sept. 14 event featured a

gourmet "cajum style" barbeque dinner prepared by chefs 2Lt. Brian Charboneau, SMSgt. Peter Oddo and TSgt. E.J. Bessacon.

Highlight of the affair was a slide program, narrated by Maj. Bob Lobos using "appropriate" captions to describe the activities during summer field training in Savannah, Ga.

covered on video tape by the Base Audio Visual Service Section, under the direction of MSgt Ken

The evening concluded with prizes and a special spouse appreciation gift for "Mrs. Lt. Col." (Lucy) Musson, wife of the National recognition

# Guardsman leads "war" for safety on the job

Chris Timmin's job is to cut down on accidents, which means the saving of dollars to his employer, Ray Gibbons Industries, Inc. His effectiveness was cited in the September 1985 edition of Industrial Safety and Hygiene

One weekend a month, Timmins puts on fatigues and goes to work in the Sheet Metal Shop of the 159th Civil Engineering Flight.

Timmins was featured in an article entitled "Welcome to the War." which explains how his program fights accidents, absenteeism and misuse of company equipment.

"Each employee who participates in our day-to-day battle has the opportunity" to earn awards, "R and R," or extra pay...

Welcome to the "1985 War Games" staged at Ray Gibbons Industries, Inc., an oil and chemical industry contractor in Port Sulphur, Louisiana. The marching orders come from Gibbons President Paul Guidry, in a letter addressed to all company per-sonnel. According to Guidry, the key to the incentive program is "to survive the war and to eliminate the 'enemy'". The program is geared to the indi-

vidual and split into two parts. Phase I is based on cumulative hours worked. Awards range from Ray Gibbons Industries caps for 501 to 1,000 safe urs worked, to company jackets for 4.001 to 6.000 safe hours worked.

Phase II allows each worker to earn five hours of pay or vacation time each quarter for no loss time accidents. That's a potential 20 hours per year. The company doubles the total to 40 hours for no recordable doctor

There are several rules to the "war games": Eligible employees must work at least 500 hours per quarter and must be employed on December 31, 1985; a loss-time accident disqualifies employees only for that quarter; two-and-one-half hours of quarter; two-awo-one-nain nouts of extra pay or "R and R" credits will be deducted for each recordable doctor case in any quarter; unexcused ab-sences or constant tardiness disqual-ifies an employee for that quarter; and one written warning for misuse of company vehicles or equipment also disqualifies an employee for that quarter.

The Gibbons "offensive" has gotten off to a strong start. Safety and Personnel Director Chris Timmons reports that through six months the company has reduced total accidents 43 percent compared to 1984.

By year's end reduction is expected to be better than 50 percent.

# 159th CSS finds refuge in Georgia forests for unique AT experience

By MAJ Gary Borne 159th CSS, LAANG

Nestled in the piney woods near Savannah, Ga., is the site where more than 100 members of the 159th Combat Support Squadron conducted annual training August 3rd to 17th.

"This site was selected because it afforded the squadron the unique opportunity to concentrate on ancillary training without the usual day-to-day interruptions experienced when this training is conducted at our home base," Lt. Col. Frank P. Musso, commander,

explained.

Training consisted of a vigorous schedule put together by MAJ Jack Brooks, chief of the Social Actions Office. His civilian experience as the principal of Slidell High School really paid off in scheduling the training to ensure everyone participated forth.

Three of the main "training squares" that the unit were required to fill were disaster preparedness, small arms firing and physical fitness.

As MSG Allen Dauterive, NCOIC of the Disaster Preparedness Office, pointed out during his briefing, we must be prepared to fight in a chemical warfare environment.

In addition to his briefing, MSG-Dajterive and his assistants demonstrated the proper method of donning and taking off the "ground ensemble" or chemical warfare suit which Air Guard members would be wearing in a chemical environment. Each member was required to wear the suit in the outside environment to demonstrate the effect temperature has while wearing the appartus. In the hot summer sun, a lesson was quickly learned about the reduced efficiency of performing tasks while working in hot temperatures.

"Protecting yourself from chemical agents in a major training requirement, but being able to fight back is another requirement which means proficiency in the use of the M-16 rifle." be said.

Conducted by an expert group of police from the 159th Weapons Systems Security Flight, all members of the Support Squadron received training in the handling of the M-16 and qualification on the rifle range.

"I was amazed at the adaptability of the squadron to the M-16," MSG Vance Trueil stated.

Many of these Guardsmen had not fired the M-16 for awhile, but their interest and participation resulted in all members qualifying. "The most gratifying feeling for us, however, was seeing the number who fired 'expert' in the unit," he said.

According to CPT Harvey Cyrus of the Social Actions Office who doubled as athletic director

and physical fitness monitor, wearing the chemical warfare suit and being able to function as a defender of a base required members to be physicall fit.

"Competition in the sports, in particular, was very keen," he said, "with flights alternating between softball and volleyball games."

But all was not, 'ail work and no play', stated Chaplain (MAJ) Earl Larose.

"We were very conscious of the fact that we were training about 750 miles away from home. The unit trains quite frequently at Gulfport, Ms. which means that families do drive to the area to be with the Guardsman during the middle weekend. This makes the absence a little tolerable. Savannah presented more of a challenge," he said.

To make the separation easier, planners scheduled activities in the evening and over the middle weekend to ensure idle time was occupied with wholesome recreation.

To ensure that a permanent record of Savannah AT 85 was retained, the Photo Section of the squadron recorded all events and activities on video tape.

But what about the families that

But what about the families that remained behind? How could they be included in this training process?

In September, the squadron sponsored a "Spouse Appreciation Night" at the Officer's Club at Jackson Barracks. All reports indicate that this was a nice finishing touch to a very successful training camp that provided camaraderie, fun, education and rigorous training.

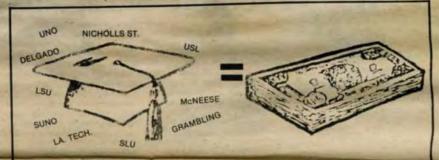
rigorous training.
"In short," Lt. Col. Musso
said, "I can report we accomplished our mission very
successfully."



MSGT Allen Dauterive, NCOIC of the Disaster Preparedness Office demonstrates the proper wear of the chemical warfare suit to members of the 159th Combal Support Squadron, LA Air National Guard during annual training at Savannah, Georgia. (Photo by 159th CSS, LAANG)



Members of the 159th Combat Support Squadron qualify with the M-16 rifle Savannah, Georgia during Annual Training (Photo by 159th CSS, LAANG)



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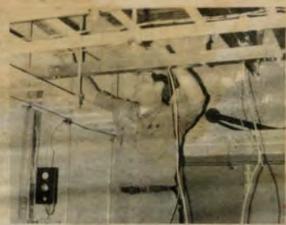
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# 214th EIS completes installation at Nellis AFB

By Maj. Cloyd F. Van Hook 214th EIS, LAANG

The 214th Installation Team finishes the fiscal year on a high note: A five person Installation Team from the 214 El Squadron, LAANG, completed installation of a ground to air communications job for Nellis AFB, NV.

The installation of this system will facilitate communications for Tactical Air Command's Red Flag exercises. The Installation Team consisted of CMS Charles R. Nastasia, TSG Jesse R. Phillips, SSG Anthony J. Casteglia, SGT Darrell Lodree and SRA Alicia M. Jordan.

The project called for instal-

lation of a GRC 171 Ground to Air Radio atop Highland Peak, a 10,000 foot mountain, and remoting the Control Panel via microwave link to Nellis AFB. Working at high altitude posed some interesting problems for the Louisiana Guardsmen, such as snow, sleet and freezing rain. However, none of the obstacles

they encountered prevented this team of highly trained specialists from completing their assigned mission.

One very interesting aspect of the project was that all expenses involved with this project were paid for by the United States Air Force, The Air Force, in an effort to offset manpower shortages or

peak workloads, will call upon the Air National Guard to assist them through voluntary tours of Active Duty for the USAF.

It's an excellent program in that the Air Force gets valuable productivity when it needs it and Guardsmen get much needed training.

## 236th CISS gets ready for overseas in 1986

By Ltc Rufus L. Warrenn III 236th CISS, LAANG

Members of the 236th Combat Information Systems Squadron (C'ISS), La Air National Guard, in Hammond recently attended an initial planning conference in Garland, Texas to discuss the 254th Combat Information Systems Group's (CISG) participation as lead Group for European Deployments in 1986.

The 236th CISS in Hammond is one of five Squadrons assigned to the 254th CISG in Garland, TX along with the 238th CISS in Meridian, Miss, the 255th CISS in Gulfport, Miss, the 223rd CISS in Hot Springs, Ark and the 254th CISS in Gariand, Tex.



Personnel and equipment of the 236th will be involved with exercises such as FLINTLOCK, CORONET PACKER, AUTUMN FORGE, CORONET BRONCO, AND CORONET SAINT, and will be traveling to England, Italy, Belgium, Denmark, Norway and Turkey, Personnel will be rotating in and out of Europe from March through October of 1986.

The 236th is a veteran of many Joint Chiefs of Staff exercises, having provided communications to units in the States and abroad. "This is a great opportunity for our people to train as well as giving them a chance to see other parts of the world," said Ltc McCoy, Commander of the 236th.

The 236th Combat Information Systems Squadron is providing communications equipment and personnel for a Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) Exercise being conducted in Turkey next month.

The unit's personnel and equipment will be airlifted out of New Orleans via Air Force C-141 aircraft and will be assisting the 226th Combat Information Systems Group, Gaston, Ala., in their European tasking for 1985.

The 236th CISS is a member of the lead Communications Group for 1986 and will be providing communications to several JCS exercises and traveling to such places as England, Italy, Belgium, Denmark, Norway and Turkey.



CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN SOON — A new Operations and Training Building for the 159th Tactical Fighter Group at Alvin Callendar Field is drawing closer to reality, with a construction contract expected to be awarded this fall. The 18,000 square foot facility is to be erected behind the Civil Engineering Building. Work will begin with clearing of the woods and diversion of a canal. Occupancy is scheduled for the first half of 1987.

# -Prayer contributes to great AT-

By MAJ Earl LaRose 159th CSS, LAANG

"I've been mess hall manager here for 22 years, and this is the first I've ever seen all of this praying."

That is exactly what he said after our Ecumenical Service one Wednesday morning.

That prayer service was one of the seven well attended chapel services held during our two weeks of Annual Training in Savannah, Ga. The first Wednesday morning at 0700 hours we sang, prayed, read scripture and preached in the Mess Hall, immediately following breakfast. Both chaplains and the majority of the group participated. Wednesday aftertoon Catholic Mass was celebrated in the Rec Room for a group of about 20. A mixture of Catholic and Protestant hymns enriched the Eucharistic Celebration.

Sunday morning simultaneous Catholic and general Protestant Services were held in the Mess Hall and the Rec Room. The group personnel were joined by many CAP youths who were also training that weekend.

The second Wednesday morning a Thanksgiving Service was held under the pines in front of the NCO Club. We thanked God for the safe trip, useful training, good friends and the providential peace in our world. We closed the service with a spirited rendition of "O Happy Day", thanking God for successful training, as well as for a happy end of camp.

That afternoon a small crowed gathered in the Rec Room for an early Vigil Mass for the Catholic Feast of the Assumption.

Feast of the Assumption.

Back at home base in Belle
Chasse, AT finished up with
Sunday Mass in the People Building. We had a pleasant, successful
summer camp.

Maybe that was because we prayed so much.

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If interested in any of the above vacancies, please contact Maj Gary Borne, Chief, CBPO at 393-3393.

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#### Pay Raise Must Wait for Authorization Bill

Washington (AFNS) - A temporary spending measure will keep the federal government running for the next few weeks, but a military pay raise will have to wait until Congress passes a defense authorization bill for this fiscal year.

That means the military's three percent October pay raise will have to wait.

The bill has been passed by the Senate; however, as of September 30 the House had not acted on it. The authorization bill includes a three percent military pay raise effective Oct. 1. That raise would increase basic pay, housing, and food allowances by three percent.

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#### Pilot's seat still goal for West Pointer Hric

By SSgt. Nina Clites LAANG

Some people are so dedicated to making a dream come true that they pursue it through every channel until it becomes reality.

Such is the case with Cadet Stephen L. Hric, formerly assigned to the 214th Weather Flight of the Louisiana Air National Guard. now attending the Military Academy at West Point.

Cadet Hric's dream is to be a pilot. Undiscouraged by his onepoint miss of acceptance into the Air Force Academy, Cadet Hric pursued his goal by applying for an AFROTC scholarship and to West Point. His recommendation for appointment to the Military Academy came from U.S. Representative Billy Tauzin, and he left the Guard before he could even attend Basic Military Training. His notification that he had been granted an AFROTC scholarship came after he had entered West Point.

Also undaunted by a three-hour interview with a graduate of West Point who minced no words about

the rigorous schedule and training, Cadet Hric was steadfast in his decision to attend the Academy. His parents explained that their son has always been very much his own person - confident, strong-willed, self-assured and independent. His mother, Cathy, said he couldn't wait to turn 15 so he could get a work permit and make his own money.



Stephen L. Hric

According to his father, Stephen E. Hric, so far his son likes his life as a cadet, and apparently the worst part is the harassment from seniors. The cadet doesn't even mind the difficult physical training, though he had to do 70 sit-ups, 70 pushups and run three miles in 24 minutes upon arrival at West Point. Failure to perform these feats would have meant rejection.

Cadet Hric, who was graduated from Chalmette High School this year, has always wanted a military career and avows that he will settle for nothing less than becoming a pilot. Studying aeronautical engineering at West Point, he almost didn't consider the Academy until he realized that the Army has pilots, too. By choosing life as a cadet at the New York institution, Stephen Hric has also become the first member of the Louisiana Air National Guard to be appointed to West Point.

While his dream may be one in the clouds. Cadet Hric is doggedly pursuing it on the ground with an attitude that speaks of nothing but



Capt. Lyle E. Lewis, right, congratulates Louisiana Air National Guard 1st Lt. Michael Spicuzza, left, for his award- winning poster.

# Air Guardsmen wins airshow poster contest

JOSA Jonathan Culver NAS Public Affairs

Judging for the Naval Air Station New Orleans' 1986 airshow poster competitions was held Oct. 11 at the Commissioned Officers Mess,

Louisiana Air National Guard IstLT. Michael D. Spicuzza of New Orleans, won the poster competition because, the judges said in their

remarks, of his poster's simple, clear and pleasing design. Spicuzza will be awarded \$500 and VIP treatment to the 1986 airshow for his

In addition, Spicuzza will receive \$1,000 for placing his signature on each of the Limited Edition series of his poster. His poster design will be used to promote the airshow by being reproduced for sale and pub-

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make sure you have documents attesting to this service. If you do not, you should notify your unit no later than your 18th year of service, since securing these documents from another service is often a lengthy process.

To estimate your retirement income you must know the monthly base pay for your years of service in the highest grade you have ever held from which you were not reduced "with prejudice." Then apply the formula:

Pay × Creditable points ± 360 + 21/2% + basic pay.

For example, SGT White served two years (720 days) on active duty and accumulated 1800 points in National Guard service. He retired as E-7 with 23 years of service (monthly pay for this grade and service is \$1646.40). He has 2520 points (720 + 1800)  $7.0 \times 21/2\% = .175 \times $1646.40 = \text{his monthly retired pay of}$ \$288.12. One thing more, his pay will be based on the wage scale in effect on his 60th birthday, not the wage scale when he is discharged.

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#### Year of Eagle is theme for 5K race at HO

By Col Gerard A. Mumfrey HO STARC

This is the theme of the 5th Annual 5K (3.1 mile) Road Race scheduled at Jackson Barracks, 8 Dec. 85. If you are a runner, jogger or walker, you are eligible to participate and could be a recipient of one of the many awards to be given away.

awards to be given away.

Trophies will be awarded to the 1st overall man and woman finishers as well as to the 1st and 2nd place male and female finishers in age groups 14-under; 15-19; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; and 50 and over in open competition. Additionally, special trophies will be given to military personnel only who finish 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in these age groups — Men: 18-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50 and over — Women: 18-29, 30-34; 35 and over. Awards such as desk clocks, belt buckles, mugs, gym bags, and exquisite coaster glasses will also be given at random to 35 lucky entrants.

An added flavor for this year's race will be platoon competition with trophies going to the first three (3) finishers. To qualify, a unit must field a team of 20 individuals who start, run the course, and finish together. Last year the 159th MASH. 204th ASG, and State Military Academy exhibited their esprit de corps by running as tealing. We shall this opportunity to invite all units to do likewise this year.

There will be plenty of refreshments for all participants — beer, soft drinks, and Allen Couvillion's superb cajun jambalaya will be served.

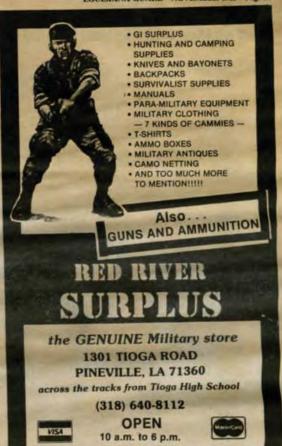
Proceeds of this year's race will go to the Children's Hospital. So whether you run, jog or walk, you'll finish feeling great knowing every huff, puff, and pant was worth it. You and the kids will both be WINNERS!

#### NGB marathon 4 May 1986 in Nebraska

The National Guard Bureau will sponsor the third annual marathon, 4 May 1986, in Lincoln, Nebraska. The Louisiana team will consist of 10 members, male and female, from both Army and Air Guard units.

Due to the time required to prepare for a marathon, it is imperative that interested personnel start conditioning immediately to assure a qualifying time.

All applications must reach this headquarters ATTN: LANG-CS-S, NLT 24 February 1986. POC this headquarters is CW3 Sirgo, LAANG-CS-S, LINC 633-1315, Autovon 485-8315. He has application forms and more information.





# Soviet anti-tank warfare went to the dogs in WWII

4"believe most readers of the "Louisiana Guard" have a pretty good knowledge of the large variety of anti-tank weapons used against armored vehicles and "landships" as the British referred to their early tanks.

Starting with World War I, and through World War II, Korea, and Victnam, many types of anti-tank weapons were used. Most were relatively simple, but, never-theless effective. Weapons such as land mines, rifle grenades, anti-tank rifles, anti-tank guns, tocket launchers — (early ones called bazookas — the older folks know why they called them that) — and recolles rifles. As time progressed, more sophisticated weapons to combat tanks were perfected — wire and radio controlled guided missiles and finally the family of laser guided missiles.

One of the most bizarre antitank weapons, however, came out of World War II, and was used on the eastern front. This was the utilization of dogs — that's correct — the 4 legged kind — the K-9 — the pooch. They were used by the Russians to knock out German tanks. How indeed could a dog be used to destroy or even disable a 50 ton tank sheathed in 100-120, and even 185 MM armor? Let me explain.

In World War II, after German's initial panzer thrusts into "Mother Russia" had all but wiped out the USSR's prewar inventory of their old BT series tank, (T-28's and T-35's), German armor started to face sterner opposition. As fast as they rolled out of the factories the Soviet Army employed it's speedy T-34 tank and it's heavy KVI tank with great effect against the German Mark III and Mark IV.

They also learned pretty fast

how to better employ the inexpensive and easy to manufacture land mine. They dispersed these over the eastern front by the thousands.

They also devised a new antitank weapon and used it — (with questionable results) — the mine carrying dog. There is evidence that they sent these dogs into battle during the 1941 autumn offensive against Moscow, and in South Russia in the areas of Kursk, Rostov and Stalingard. In "Anti-Tank Warfare," a

In "Anti-Tank Warfare," a book written by two Soviet Army Officers, MG G. Biryukov and Col. G. Melnikov, they talk about, "a squad of tank destroyer dogs," each carrying a load of high explosives knocking out a total of thirteen German tanks

In addition to these Soviet officers writing about the thirteen tanks being destroyed by the dogs, they go on to write —"in the sector of the 160th Infantry Division in the vicinity of Glukhova, six dogs destroyed five enemy tanks." They say nothing about what happened to the sixth dog. I would like to think that he defected!

If all of this isn't enough, they go on — "at Kursk, in the zone of the 6th Guards Army, sixteen dogs destroyed twelve tanks that had broken through into the depth of the Soviet defenses in the area of Tamaro ka, Bykovo, Hill 244.5."

A short article which appeared in the November 1968 issue of AFV News, written by Dennis A.

JOE STALIN — The Louisiana SPCA had a bone to pick with him.



HISTORY HERALDRY AND MUSEUMS

BY F.E. THOMAS COL (LA)



during the siege of Stalingrad. They further wrote — "during the Great Patriotic War, dogs were used to destroy tanks by attacking them from a distance of 150-200 meters. As the dog dashed under a tank frontally or at a 45° angle, the trigger of the explosive charge caught the bottom of the tank and set off the fuse."

Sequin, described the dog mine in detail. The explosive charge was twenty-six pounds and carried in two canvas pouches. The ignition device was a metal fuse box containing the standard Russian-type fuse, which was coupled to a booster charge and detonating cord. The booster consisted of about 200 grams of explosives. A wooden lever with the aid of a tension spring and safety pin held back the fuse plunger.

When the safety pin was removed, the wooden trip lever extended over the dog's head and body. When the dog attempted to crawl under a tank the lever would strike the hull bottom and ignife the charge so as to breach the tank's armor at it's weakest point.

The Germans even mentioned the Russian dog attacks in their reports. In an after action report by the 5th SS Panzergrenadier Division Wiking at Rostov in the summer of 19842, they state "An attack on our tanks by mine carrying dogs was, thanks to the alertness of our tank crews and infanity, rendered harmless by shooting the dogs."

The U.S. Army's Center of Military History published a pamphlet several years ago titled "Russian Combat Methods in World War II," in which information on the dogs were given. "During the autumn offensive of 1941 against Moscow, the Russians employed so-called mine dogs to destroy German tanks. In the manner of pack animals, medium sized dogs carried demolition charges which were connected to a spindle fastened to

the dog's back. They were trained to run under the approaching tanks and in doing so, the animal inadvertently brought the six inch wooden spindle into contact with the tanks belly, setting off the charge.

"News of this insidious improvisation caused some alarm in the German panzer units and made them fire at all approaching dogs on sight."

It was also said that several mine carrying dogs fleeing from the fire of German tanks, sought protection underneath Russian tanks — which, of course, blew no!

How would the Russians train these dogs to blow up German tanks and enter themselves into the big kennel in the sky? They would tempt the dog with food after he had been hall starved to death. The trainers wouldn't give the dog the food, but would throw it under a tank. In their training, the dogs learned quickly that if they crawled under a tank they would find food.

In gathering materials for this article I never could find anything else the Russians did to train these dogs like teaching them the smell of their own tanks which was propelled by diesel—(a nyet!) against the German panzers propelled by gasoline—(a dat!)

According to the Fort Knox Museum, there is no evidence that the U.S. Army ever tested the concept of dog versus tank. In World War II, however, I do remember seeing GI's or "dog faces", (sicl), approach the "dead

side", or rear engine area, of German tanks and hang explosive "sachel" charges on them. This could only be done of course when there was a decided lack of enemy infantry in the area, and even then, this maneuver was accomplished with great risk by DSC candidates.

After all is said and done, it seems to me that the whole idea of the mine carrying dogs was something of a battlefield gimmick without any serious benefit, While it did happen on a limited scale, I suppose it could be classified as a facet of psychological warfare. I am positive that the Louisians SPCA knew nothing of it at the time or Uncle Joe would have had hell to pay!

# Museum Happenings

On Friday the thirteenth, the Museum had a surprise visit from Ilona and Sandor Bodo of Nash-ville. Since they immigrated to the United States in 1957 from Hungary, they have become well known in their field of watercolors and sculpture. Sandor Bodo has taken an important place in American art. His works are found in public and private collections throughout this country and Europe. He has works at the Smithsonian, National Academy Galleries, The Parthenon, and Rydhave, Copenhagen, Denmark

They came to the Museum to do research on selected weapons and to photograph a certain section of Chalmette Battlefield.

He presented me with a beautiful signed and numbered lithograph of a painting he did in 1979 titled Calvary Action in the Battle of Charleston, S.C. May 11, 1779. It is presently being prepared for hanging in our museum.



# Army National Guard Awards, Promotions, Appointments, Transfers, & Assignments

#### AWARDS

#### Senior Recruiter Badge

#### Master Recruiter Badge

#### Basic Recruiter Badge

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#### Louisiana Commendation Medal

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To SFC Ray, Myri F. HQ STARC

Bretz, Ronald Det 1, HHD 199th Spt Bn Brown, Steven C, 241st Pub Alf Det

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Martin, Jody B. HHC 205th Engr 8n
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Paul, Jeffrey 1991n MASH
Paul, Jeffrey HHD, 1998n Spt 8n
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# AMEDD meet stresses leadership

By 1Lt Trucie Adams State Safety Office

Leadership and the Army Medical Department: Two things in today's Army that are really cornerstones of excellence.

Leadership is this year's theme for the U.S. Army, with Lt. Gen. Wickham's ideals of caring, training, leading, and maintaining. In many ways, these ideals are what the Army Medical Department is all about. Health professionals, whose motto is to "conserve the fighting strength," move toward several professional objectives which traditionally lend themselves to these types of roles.

Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Officers from across the state, and even the nation, met at the AMEDD Conference at the New Orleans downtown Sheraton. The conference, lauding the theme of "Preparation Provides Progress," provided personnel with the opportunity to be apprised of all the new developments in the arena of Army Medicine.



Lt. Col. William Turk speaks during a session in September's Army Medical Department conference held at the Sheraton Hotel in new Orfacans. Lt. Col. Turk is an Organizational Effectiveness Consultant with the National Guard Bureau. (Photo by Ita Tracie Adams)

#### New BDU On Way

A new lightweight, hot weather BDU is scheduled for distribution by the end of 1985.

distribution by the end of 1983.

The first lots will go to recruits, possibly as early as December. The uniform will also be available at stateside Army clothing sales stores. The shirt will cost \$14.47 and the trousers \$15.02.

The lightweight uniform bears the camouflage pattern of the temperate zone BDU, but is made from the same fabric as the plain green jumble fatigues. The lightweight version was prompted by tests in Panama which determined that the regular BDU was too hot and heavy for tropical wear.

Speakers included: Col. (Ret.) Burgin, on Triage; Col. Karney from National Guard Bureau with a Reserves Forces Medical Update; Lt. Col. Dennis McKnight from the Academy of Health Sciences at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, on Medical Systems and doctrine in combat. National Guard Bureau speakers: Lt. Col. William Ward spoke on Dental Initiatives, Lt. Col. William Turk

on Creative Leadership and Lt. Col. Kramhaus on Supplies, Equipment and Training Facilities. Maj. Margaret Arriola of the Minnesota Array National Guard presented the evening segment of the conference on "Women in the Combat Zone."

The conference was concluded by Sgt. 1st Class David Steffenson on the Systematic Modular Approach to Realistic Training. A special guest speaker from outside the military committee was Mr. Joseph Pastorek of the Louisiana State University Medical Center who spoke on Antibiotic Therapy in Combat.

The conference, starting Friday afternoon, was opened by remarks from Maj. Gen. A.M. Stroud, Jr., the Adjutant General for the State of Louisiana Army National Guard. The conference

coordinator was Maj. Grace Cunningham, performing under the direction of the State Surgeon Col. Lionel Smith.

The attendance of the conference was primarly of AMEDD personnel of the 159th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) of New Orleans, however, reservists and national guardsmen alike participated in this excellent training.



# Recruiters' Report September 1985

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