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All accidents must be reported to the State Safety Office. While you must report every accident, some accidents are not charged to your unit. These are: An accident that is not caused by the Louisiana National Guard or an accident that hasa total damage of less than \$700. Also a personal injury that does not requires a lost work day is not charged to the unit.

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Dear Fellow Louisiana Guardsmen:

The chain of command will be used to take care of National Guard members and civilian employees and for resolution of personal problems; however, there may be instances when either the chain of command has been unable to resolve the problem or the issue is of such a nature that it should be brought to my personal attention. Accordingly, the following open door policy is established:

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Major General, LAARNG The Adjutant General



MG A. M. Stroud, Jr.

February—Black History Month

... From the Civil War to the Vietnam War, 69 black soldiers have been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest award given to a soldier for gallantry and heroism under fire.

...In the early 1950's National Guard units began to integrate. Now nearly 75,000 Black Americans serve in the Army and Air National Guard.







CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Worship: a risk worth taking

By Chaplain (LTC) Robert Hildebrandt 204th, area Support Group

We hear a lot about kings these days around Louisiana. Mardi Gras krewes promote their kings. Stores promote the sale of king cakes. For Christmas it is the season of Epiphany. The word comes from two Greek words, "epi" and "phano" meaning "to show forth." The baby Jesus born at Bethlehem was now shown forth as the Messiah, the Christ, the King of Kings.

There is alot of concern and pride that goes into being number one. Superbowl champions and basketball polls dominate sports thinking this time of year. As human beings we need to hear that no matter what our position is, on the ladder that the world calls success, we are number one in God's eyes. It was for this reason that the Christ, the Word, became flesh, and entered our planet, becoming a king unlike any kind of king, man has known As flesh, God came to suffer with us, and redeem each per son. You were made in His image and He came to claim you and restore you to this number one spot

The Wise Men came to worship this King. That was pretty reckless on their part. Taking

such a journey, leaving behind secure positions and traveling by the light of a star, would be a fearful undertaking for many people. To stay, would have been fearful in their thinking: for then they would never have seen if their faith was true. Through life we all have to determine by which means we are to live and the ends for which we live. The quality of any person or any civilization is dependent upon the handling of these two factors. The Apostle Paul, in concern for this aspect of life, addresses us saying that for many people, . . their God is their belly, their glory is in the shameful, their mind is set on earthly things, their end is destruction." (Phil. 3:19) Their means of life, the gratification of the sensate appetite, and the end, is destruction. The Wise Men were foolish in the world's way of thinking; but, their wisdom gave them a peace and accomplishment that we all seek. The Light that pierced the darkness of their life centered upon this Servant King, Jesus the Christ.

May this Light enlighten your way today and let you know that God has made you number one. Risk going to worship Him.

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Lt. Col. Louis B. May

The Safety Office has begun distribution of Operation Safeguard 86 Materials. Safeguard 86 is a counter-measure program aimed at saving lives and preventing accidents. The main thrust of this year's program is to educate Guardsmen on the main cause of all accidents.

... Human Error.
The main part of the program is a 16mm film that reviews some fatal National Guard accidents from FY 85.
The factors contributing to these accidents will be discus-

SAFETY SEZ

By LTC Louis B. May, State Safety Officer

Program targets "human error"

sed. Each accident was the result of an error by someone, either the individual involved or a supervisor. MG Stroud has directed that each Louisiana Guardsman view this film prior to attending AT 86.

In addition each Guardsman will be furnished an operation Safeguard 86 Wallet Calendar card. These useful calendar cards which have the Safeguard 86 theme "The Safeway. . .the Guard Way" displayed

...the Guard Way" displayed on each side have a space to write in drill and at dates. Each unit will also be furnished Safeguard 86 posters and Safeway recall symbols to be displayed prominently in unit armories and at areas.

In the near future State Safety Office personnel will be conducting a 16 hour accident prevention course for unit safety officers and NCO's.

Remember, your personal safety and the success of the State Safety Programs depends on the full support and participation of every Louisiana Guardsman.

"The Convincer" demonstrates value of automobile seat belts to skeptics

By MAJ. Harry Trosclair 214th EIS

They call it "The Convincer" which is an appropriate name.

It consist of a seat, equipped with a safety belt and shoulder barness, mounted on rails that provides a short, 12 foot ride and a very sudden stop. All members of the 214th Engineering Installation Squadron, Jackson Barracks have learned the value of seat belt utilization by taking on "The Convincer".

The training device was loaned to the 214th EIS by the Schlumberger Offshore Services Division.



SMSGT. Edwin Mcshane prepares to release the Seat Belt Demonstrator that is occupied by SrA Jeffery W. Roesel, as TSgt Wayne Berniol looks on. (MSG Robert Murphy)



Chief Warrant Officer Stanley J. Sirgo received his plaque commemorating 35 years of service as a National Guard technician from Maj. Gen. A.M. Stroud, Jr. CW3 Sirgo is the state's safety manager. (Photo by 1Li, Tracic Adams)

Motorcycle riding requires constant attention, extra caution, common sense safety precautions

By Pfc. Benjamin Henry 241st Pub Aff Det

Riding a motorcycle is dangerous even under the best of circumstances. Here are some safety tips for all National Guardsmen to remember, both on and off duty.

*Don't drink and ride.

*Ride cautiously and never be overconfident.

*Be extra attentive at in tersections. Keep in mind that a motorcycle is much more difficult to spot than a car.

*Remember to always ride with your helmet and headlights on.

*Be especially careful when riding on wet, slick roads.

respond to Selago ads

"Because of the overwhelming response to our advertisement in Louisiana Guard, to include weekend guardsmen in our membership, the National Credit Administration, which governs credit unions like Selago, has to approve such a large and significant change," according to Mark Rosa, Credit Union Manager.

"We appreciate your genuine interest," said Rosa, and we hope that we can soon serve you with financial services."

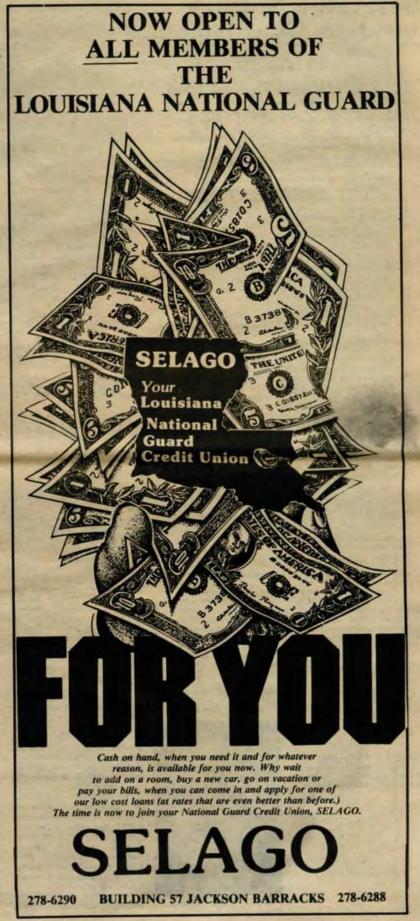
The comments were made Guardsmen during a recent interview with Selago Credit Union Manager, Mark Rosa, when asked about the progress of having weekender guardsmen participate in the credit union. The response is expected from NCUA shortly, and guardsmen who are interested in Selago membership are asked to call the Selago office and let them know your desire to join.

The Selago staff is also ready to answer your questions regarding Selago or any of the many financial services that they offer. For those guardsmen who have resonded to the Selago ad program already, you are asked to keep in touch with Selago for updates on their expansion program.



Maj. Charles Watts, S-3 2223d. Engr. Bn., field tested his new fishing techniques during a recent fishing trip in the Southeast Louisiana marsh area. Witnessing the field test were LTC Donald Bringol, Commander and Tom Sawyer, Opn Sgt. of the 2223d. Engr. Bn. (Photo by Lt. Col. Donald Bringol)





Selective Service vital to Guardsmen

By Sgt. Maria L. Jonkers Public Affairs Supervisor

If you're a male, between the ages of 18 and 26, and are presently in the National Guard, you don't have to register with Selective Service. If you're a male between the ages of 22 and 26 and have already served your obligatory six years in active duty you don't have to sign

up for Selective Service.

If you're a male between the ages of 18 and 26 and have a physical

disability you don't have to register with Selective Service.

True or False?

All males between the ages of 18 and 26, except those presently serving in an active duty status, are required to sign up for Selective Service. The National Guard does not constitute active duty, and for registration purpose, neither does Active Guard/Reserve (AGR)

"I don't think these young men are deliberately not signing up," said BRIG. GEN. Charles A. Haase, State Director of the Selective Service System for Louisiana. "I think a lot of them are either procrastinating or are unaware that the need to register applies to them."

He first realized that this misconception prevailed when he sat beside a sergeant in a barbershop. The conversation got around to the draft and the young sergeant told him, "I don't have to sign up, I'm already in the military."

Later Haas dicovered he was in the Army National Guard.
"He was 24 years old, obviously sincere, serving his nation; but if he had turned 26 and had been caught not registered, the Justice Department would have prosecuted him for committing a felony,"

What are the penalties for failing to register?

"You can't get a student loan to attend college. Under the SOLOMAN Act you have to prove you're registered to be eligible for a student loan. There was some controversy over this being considered unconstitutional, but it was later ruled to be constitutional. Regardless, you can't attend any college that receives State funding. And they all-even the elite private schools-receive some kind of funding."

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Hats tracked down the sergeant from the barbershop and informed him that being in the Guard didn't excuse him.

"You can't hold a federal job if you're not registered, and an act will soon pass affecting State employment," Haas said.

Already 300,000 men in Louisiana have registered, constituting over 99 % of the eligible population.

"But that less than 1 % unregistered still constitutes a lot of bodies," Haas said. "And those that think they can squeak by untill they're 26 and become untorchable don't realize that that's when the real problems begin."

The penalty is up to five years imprisonment and/or a \$250,000 fine.

fine.

"The chances of getting caught are excellent," Haas said. Many people have been caught nationally, one of them from Lafayette, Louisiana."

Louisiana."

Once an individual becomes 26, and has not registered, he is barred from registering. In some states he cannot practice law or be in law

"All this reluctance to register with Selective Service is ridiculous. "The draft isn't even in effect yet. After you're called

Registering with Selective Service is a simple process. Present identification to a clerk at your nearest post office, and fill out a form with your name, address, social sercurity number and date of birth.

"The postal clerk is not a law enforcement agent. Once you register, even if it's late, the chances are excellent that you'll get by. But don't take the chance of the Justice Department catching you, because once you're caught, you're barred from registering, and then you've got trouble."

If you fall into one of the above categories, and realize that you need to register, DO IT NOW.

Do you have \$250,000 and five years of your life to throw away?

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Brig. Gen. Haas is available for any questions or comments you may have. He can be reached at (504) 944-6385.





Maj. Gen. Ansel Stroud, Jr., The Adjutant General of Louisiana, and his Chief of Staff, Col. James Corley, settle into a sedan for the trip to the Plaza Holidome. (Photo by SFC Robert E. Bellinder.)

5th Army Management Conference draws well despite bad weather

temperatures, 391 personnel came to Wichita, KS, Dec. 2 and 3 for the 16th Annual National Guard Bureau 5th Army Area Management Conference.

Designed to provide guidance and management assistance to the Army National Guard personnel in the 5th Army area, the conference was attended by National Guard Bureau staff, selected active Army personnel, Adjutants General and other State level officers with policy making responsibilities from Kansas, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, Nebraska, and New Mexico.

The two-day conference began with an address by Lt. Gen. Louis Menetrey, commander, 5th U.S. Army. He recognized the shared responsibility that all elements of the Army have in contributing to the strength of our

Discussions in breakout sessions during the two days centered around a review of policies and programs related to readiness improvement, enhance-ment of mobilization capabilities, and resource management.

Workshops were conducted for 20 areas of responsibility including The Adjutants General, USPFO, training, Chiefs of Staff, finance, public affairs, logistics, aviation, Inspectors General, maintenance, management information systems officers, military support, Command Sergeants

Major, and others.

The keynote speaker for the GEN. Charles A. conference was Undersecretary of

the Army James R. Ambrose, who spoke to the assembly Tuesday afternoon.

Brig. Gen. Richard D. Dean, Deputy Director of the Army National Guard presented the Connely Award for the 5th Army area of Maj. Gen. Fred Carter, The Adjutant General of Arkansas. This award for the best mess in 5th Army was made to

Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion, 142nd Field Artillery, Arkansas Army National Guard.

Spouses activities at the conference included tours of Crumm Castle and Boeing Military Airplane Company.

Maj. Gen. Herbert R. Temple, Jr., Director, Army National Guard attended the conference,



Maj. Gen. Ralph T. Rice, The Adjutant General of Kansas, begins the opening session of the National Guard Bureau's 5th Army Area Management Conference at Wichita, Kansas, December 2, 1985.

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Soldier Skills vital

By Spec. 4 Darryl Doiron 241st. Pub. Aff. Det.

The Louisiana Army National Guard is placing increased emphasis on the common soldier skills, according to Col. Roger A. Bacon, Director of Plans, Operations and Training.

"Recent observations of training and reports of training evaluations such as FORSCOM Form 1-Rs have indicated an apparent weakness in common soldier skills throughout the LAARNG. "Bacon said. "In order to ensure that our soldiers are proficient and are able to maintain proficiency in selected common soldier tasks, all units of the LAARNG will conduct training each month on the common tasks."

For the commanders of reserve as well as active components of the U.S. Army, training is a professional and moral imperative.

The predecessor of the National Guard, the colonial militia, were trained to repel Indian attacks. It was a matter of survival.

Today's quardsmen live in a more secure society; however, the danger this presents is one of complacency. While the principle component of preparing for war is training, some guardsmen on drill do not show motivation, discipline or an understanding of the direct correlation between training and victory in war. In common skills training, some have forgotten the competitive spirit that made high school football, speech, and other activities fun.

Additionally, some soldiers in a non-combat MOS question the need to train like infantrymen at common tasks. SFC Atlas B. Hahn, (a guards-

SFC Atlas B. Hahn, (a guardsman at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans) learned about that in 1970, after graduating from finance school at Ft. Benjamin Harrison.

"Five or six people in my finance class went straight to Viet Nam." Hahn said. "I was one of them. And I thought I'd never see combat!"

Hahn came facetoface with a North Vietnamese regular and had a fall back on skills he learned at basic training to survive that encounter.

"In a combat situation, you're a soldier regardless of your MOS," Hahn said. "That what makes your basic training and common tasks essential. It's nice that we're at peacetime now. But at any moment we could be mobilized for war."

How many National Guardsmen climb aboard a transport tomorrow and feel comfortable about their common skills and their chances of combat survival?



Brig. Gen. Frank M. Denton, Commander of the 256th Inf. Bde.(M) is presenting the 1985 Outstanding Senior NCO Award to Sgt. 1st Class G. Smith, Jr., a member of HHB 1/141st Field Artillery located in New Orleans. A combat veteran, Smith served three tours of duty in Vietnam for a total of 28 months, with the Fifth Special Forces Group. During his four years active Army career with the Green Berets, Smith was awarded two Bronze stars, three Army Achievements Medals, the U.S. and the Vietnam Parachule badges and the Combat Infantry badge, for a total of fifteen military awards. (256th Infantry Brigade PAD photo)



BATTALION COMMANDER PROMOTED — Lt. Col. Richard Averitt, commander of the 199th Support Battalion, was recently promoted to his present rank by 256th Infantry Brigade commander Brig. Gen. Frank Denton, at left. Headquartered in Alexandria, Lt. Col. Averitt's battalion has companies in Lafayette, St. Martinville, Jonesboro and Winnfield. (Guard photo by SFC Kirk Barilleaux)



Main Gate, Camp Beauregard, Louisiana

NTC training paying off for 3rd Battalion in readiness

By SP4 C. Badge Coreil 256th Inf. Bde., PAD

FORT POLK - "The tasks are becoming easier, but the training schedule is getting tougher." That's how Capt. Jerome Cady, Administrative Officer of the 3rd Battalion of the 156th INF (M), Lake Charles described the results of the battalion's annual training '85 at the National Training Center.

Center.

The battalion returned from Fort Irwin, California in late August and since then has been performing drills in the field at Fort Polk. According to company commanders, the training at Fort Polk has been more proficient. Scout platoon member SGT Gary McFarlin said, "The scouts are orking more as a team since N.T.C., and we are now better at 90 percent of the tasks we perform in the field. Take, for example, cover and concealment. If you can find cover in the middle of the desert, it's a piece of cake in the piny woods of Fort Polk!"

Many 3rd Battalion guardsmen say they are most proud of their espri de corp and high moraie. "We proved we could excell and we will continue to stand out and receive respect for being one of the best trained infantry California.

battalions in the country." said Spec. 4 Steven Fournerat. "Sure we did not win all of our battles against the opposing force at N.T.C., but we did the best we could, and that is what counts." Fournerat added.

Despite the strides the 3rd Battalion has made, there is much room for improvement according to maintenence officer Chief Warrant Officer 3 William Blair, "We still need to work on keeping our equipment in top shape, Blair said. "Several months after N.T.C. we are still working on vehicles which have been down. The most important element in maintenence is the PMCS or preventive maintenance performed by drivers. Blair's advice is to follow the driver's manuals in each piece of equipment and do not hesitate to ask questions.

"Equipment down in the field because of maintenance is the same as if it would be down because of a tactical kill." Blair said.

The 3rd Battalion plans to continue making drills at Fort Polk. Several personnel also plan to return to the National Training Center in the summer of 1986 when the 2nd Battallion of the 256th 1NF (M) Brigade performs it's annual training at Fort Irwin, California.

Camp Beauregard playing vital role in La. Guard

By Maj. David O. Miller 241st Pub. Aff. Det. Commander

Camp Beauregard continues to host a wide variety of activities in addition to serving as the Louisiana Army National Guard Primary Training Site. Among the military uses during 1985 were 39 drill weekends with nearly 8,000 guardsmen taking advantage of the site, and five 15 day annual training periods including two engineer battalions from Puerto Rico.

The 225th Engineer Corpheadquartered at Camp Beauregard served as the center of operations for Louisiana guardsmen deploying to Panama for annual training. The 225th was also the focal point in the battle against the pine beetle. National Guard personnel and equipment were utilized in conjunction with other state and local agencies in the fight to control the beetle's rapid march of destruction.

The Louisiana Military Academy Officer Candidate School graduated 19 officers in August and enrolled 37 new officer candidates in the year long course. Another 229 soldiers graduated from various other courses held at the Military Academy during the year. Nearly 900 new recruits also underwent a basic orientation course held at the facility prior to departing for basic military training.

Also during the past year the Military Academy headquarters building was formally dedicated as Wilmer Bennett Hall.

The National Guard Bureau Reserve Component Education System Advanced Course which began operation in 1983 for Non-Commissioned Officers continued to graduate soldiers from across the United States. Since it's beginning, the school has graduated over 2,400 soldiers.

Other activities conducted at Camp Beauregard included LOUISIANA FTX which was attended by 500 college ROTC students from across the state. The Southern Orienteering Meet co-sponsored by the National Guard and Northeast State University was attended by over 600 people from 15 states.

In addition, more than 80 area Boy Scouts used Camp Beauregard for a Christian Fellowship Seminar where they worked on various nondenominational religious awards.

Barracks history chiseled in stone

There are reams and reels of printed and recorded matter dealing with Jackson Barracks and the important role it has played in our history over the last 150 years. Unusual bits of history related to "The Barracks", and somehow missed, or forgotten over the years, do pop up, every now and then.

Mary Oalmann, our dedicated Military Librarian, and 1 ran across just such an item a couple of years ago, 1 find it quite interesting, and since we recently did a great deal more research on it - I'll tell you about it.

Back in the mid-nineteenth century, New Orleans had many great epidemics; with cholera and yellow fever taking a terrific toll of the unacclimated persons who came to the city to seek their fortunes. Their loss is reflected by inscriptions on vault tablets which still remain. Some of the old epitaphs are quite touching with one of the most pathetic inscriptions on a slab still preserved from the wreckage of the old Girod Street Cemetery:

POOR CAROLINE DIED 4 SEPTEMBER 1839 ONLY 23 !

Caroline was the young wife of Frederick Wilkinson, an engineer, who came to New Orleans from Poughkeepsie, New York to practice his profession. Ill-fated, he followed his wife in death by just two years, dying at the age of 29. His name and the date of his death, carved on the same tablet as his wife's, has a epitaph written in the romatic style of the time:

in the romatic style of the time:
POOR FREDERICK, THEY LOT
WAS THINE FULL SOON TO
FOLLOW CAROLINE, POOR
CAROLINE, THEY HUSBAND
SLEEPS BESIDE THEE, AND NO
LONGER WEEPS, RECEIVE,
RECEIVE, O POWER DEVINE
POOR FREDERICK AND
CAROLINE

How does all of this reflect on Jackson Barracks you might ask? In 1833 - 1834 a young second lieutenant and engineer, Frederick Wilkinson, designed and "drew the plans" for Jackson Barracks!

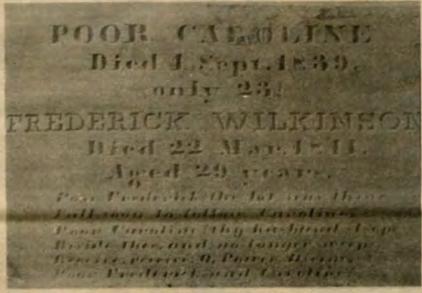
His ideas to add architectural variety and charm in the design of the Jackson Barracks buildings can still be examined by viewing the original structures in "Area A'". While the buildings themselves are basically of the same design, he did the large columns in four styles -interrupted and uninterrupted and uninterrupted and uninterrupted square, (obelisk), design. Many visitors to the Barracks find this a most interesting and intriguing feature of these beautiful buildings

buildings.

The "Post Magazine", (our Museum), is the only other building outside the original Jackson Barracks compound which was designed by Wilkinson (it was "outside" because of fire with resulting explosion). He did the Magazine in 1837, two years after the Barracks was completed. His design was typical of the

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fortress type munitions magazines of the era - with simple, straight lines and massive walls - the whole of which makes for a very unimpressive, austere rectangular building.

Frederick Wilkinson was born

1812 in New York, graduated from the United States Military, Academy at West Point in 1830 as a second lieutenant and was assigned to the Fourth Infantry. He was re-assigned to the U.S. Engineers at New Orleans on 18

February, 1834 at the request of Captain John B. Clark, Assistant Quartermaster United States Army. Clark supervised the actual Barracks constructions. Upon Wilkinson arrival he immediately started the design of Jackson

Barracks, and completed it in about 12 months.

In 1840, Wilkinson also designed and built the Egyptian style entrance to Cypress Grove Cemetery at a cost of \$8,000. This "pylon and lodge" entrance is virtually the same today as when it was built 145 years ago. It can be seen at the head of Canal Street and City Park Avenue. Wilkinson died 22 March 1841.

Caroline and Fredrick remained in the Girod Street Cemetery for well over one hundred years until it was abandoned and the land reclaimed in 1957. Their remains, along with other families were removed by the Christ Church Cathedral, (Episcopal), and reentombed in Crypt 1083-A, Hope Mausoluem.

While the Girod Street Cemetery wrecking crews were going about their task in 1957. Mr. Leonard V. Huber and Mr. Guy F. Bernard, authors of "To Glerious Immortality" (The Rise and Fall of the Girod Street Cemetery), salvaged whatever they could of the most outstanding vault slabs. They managed to save thirteen slabs which were preserved by permanently attaching them to the rear wall of the Canak Street wing of the Hope Mauscieum where they remain today. Caroline and Frederick's vault slab is one of them.

I would like to thank Mr. Lloyd Huber, Director of Hope Mausoleum for allowing us to photograph the Wilkinson Tablet and for substantiating the information gathered for this article.

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

While making requirements with Mr. Loyd Huber to photgraph the Wilkinson Tablet at Hope Mausoleum, he made us an offer that was impossible to refuse. He came up with the idea and decision to offer our museum the Wilkinson Tablet for permanent exhibit. Needless to say, I jumped at the offer. The Wilkinson Tablet will be a most welcome addition since it was wilkinson who designed and drew the plans for this buildings; which is, for the most part, still the same as when it was first constructed in 1847.



The museum's F-100 Super Sabre, with new paint job.

Say you saw it in LOUISIANA GUARD

Sign up now for Louisiana meet in Lake Charles

By Staff Sgt. Lawerence Hatch

The Enlisted Association of the Louisiana National Guard will be having their convention the 21st through the 23rd of March 1986, at the beautiful Lake Charles Hilton, in Lake Charles, La.

There are plenty of rooms left for the people attending that have not reserved their rooms yet. There is also a small registration fee that is set up by rank. The registration fees listed below are the rates that must be paid per person.

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All members of the association are urged to attend the business meetings so we can get some important resolutions proposed and passed. These will be forwarded to our national office in order to better the Louisiana National Guard.

The convention that was held in Lafayette last year was grand. Let's make this one the

National EANGUS convention set for Boston, MA

By SSG. Lawerence Hatch

On Aug. 6, through the 10th. 1986, the Enlisted Association of the National Guard Association of the United States will conduct their National Conference in Boston, Massachusetts.

The conference is open to every guard member that is paid up in the Enlisted Association of Louisiana. Last year the conference was in Portland, Oregon, and everyone that attended had a wonderful and fun time. It was a time for renewing old friendships and making new ones.

Everyone going to the conference will see a very old and beautiful city. Boston has something for everyone, from baseball to its Italian restuarants. There are many historical sights to see, many stores to shop in, and many fine resturants to eat in. For the people that like museums, Boston has two of them; the Museum of Fine Art, and the

Museum of Science.

Those members that love jogging can jog on the beautiful Charles River jogging path or in the Boston Commons. Some of the sights to see are the old North Church, Paul Revere's house, the USS Constitution, Bunker Hill, and many, many more beautiful historical sights. So please try to attend this conference. We need all the help we can get to pass some important resolutions that pertain to all guard members.

The Enlisted Association of Massachusetts has contacted American Airlines and has made arrangements for a discount fare for the people flying commerical to Logan Airport. When you get to Boston, transportation will be provided to the hotel. When the conference is over and everyone says their good-byes, transportation will be provided to the airport so you can catch your plane back to New Orleans.

For the people planning to attend, see you in Bean Town. Have a pleasant and safe trip.

Lake Charles has a romantic history

Lake Charles, which dominates the southwest corner of Louisiana, is a city with a romantic past and a promising future. Only thirty miles inland from the Gulf of Mexico, Lake Charles was once a haven for pirates, who hid their contraband along the labyrinth of backwaters and bayous.

The City's beginnings can be traced to the 1760's when the first French settlers came to carve homesteads out of the dense pine forests which covered the territory. Among them were Charles and Catherine Sallier, who built the first home on the shell beach where Lake Charles now stands. The twon soon became known as "Charlie's Lake." But the Indian name prevailed for the river and for the parish. The Attakapas tribe name the river for a famous Chief, "Crying Eagle." Rendered in French the name evolved to "Calcasieu.

The legendary pirate Jean Lafitte made the Calcasieu country his headquarters in the early 1800's. The famous renegade and his band of "privateers" routinely plundered Spanish ships on the high seas.

After the Civil War, Lake Charles had become a lumber town, with a healthy schooner trade. The settlement was swamped with orders for lumber to rebuilt the war-torn South. The imprint of the city's days as a lumber capital can still be seen in some of the Lake Charles fine old wooden homes built of cypress and pine a century ago.

In the early 1900's a series of nature disasters struck the people of Lake Charles. Through fire, flood, aand hurricanes the citizens of Lake Charles proved to be very self-reliant. They rebuilt their businesses and reworked their farms. An in 1922, with the lumber industry on the wane, they voted to finance a deep-water port. The opening of the port in 1926, paved the way for industrial development of Lake Charles. The port can now accomodate upto 12 ships at one time. It's connected to the Gulf by a ship channel 400 feet wide at the bottom and 40 feet deep.

Today Lake Charles is a city of nearly eighty thousand people of varied backgrounds. It's a center of international commerce — with a bustling deepwater port, abundant oil and gas reserves and a sprawling petrochemical complex.

Lake Charles is an attractive city — set on a scenic lake in the midst of a sportsman's paradise that abounds with waterfowl, wildlife and miles of natural waterways.

It has been said that many people come to Lake Charles for their work and stay for the fun. Newcomers often comment that it's a city with big-town facilities and small-town friendliness.

Lake Charles facts

Lake Charles is an accessible city. It is situated on Interstate 10 with easy access to the great sunbelt cities of New Orleans and Houston.

Lake Charles has more than 50 miles of waterways which make the area ideal for water skiing, power boating, sailing and swimming.

Lake Charles has the only white sand beach found inland between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Big game fishing is only an hours and a half away in the Gulf of Mexico where fishermen can vie for an endless variety of fishing including tarpon, redfish, ling, snapper and marlin.

On the 4th of July weekend hundreds of fishermen enter the best catches of the day for prizes and trophies in the Annual Fishing Rodeo.

Southwest Louisiana is famous for its unequaled duck hunting. In late fall the marshlands of the region provide some of the finest hunting in the world as millions of ducks and geeese migrate south over the Mississippi flyway.

The Creole Nature Trail is a prime example of the maginificent Louisiana wetlands which attract transient waterfowl. A mile-lon hiking trail gives visitors a first hand look at the wild habitat.

Sam Houston Jones State Park, an outdoor attraction, only 10 miles north of Lake Charles — a thousand acre park features camp sites, boat launching ramps, furnished vacation cabins and a nature trail.

In February, Lake Charles celebrate Mardi-Gras — or "Fat Tuesday" - with a street parade and carnival balls.

In the spring, Lake Charles hosts Contraband Days, the second largest festival in the state. The two week festival evokes the legend of Pirate Jean Lafitte—and features boat races, band concerts, food festivals, helicopter rides, a colorful parade and spectacular fireworks displays.

Lake Charles is graced with a striking civic center overlooking the lake, which draws entertainers, sporting events and major conventions.

Just west of Lake Charles in Vinton, the Delta Downs racetrack presents year-round horse racing that features thoroughbreds and quarter horses.

Easy access to the Gulf provides succulent seafood: crabs shrimp, oysters, and fish of all kinds. The traditional highly seasoned Cajun gumbo and jambalayas are standard fare at most local restaurants.

The "Lady Claire," Lake Charle's new sidewheeler riverboat, conducts boat tours and dinner cruises on the Calcasieu River.

Gumbeaux Gator, a 7 foot tall alligator, wearing big yellow tennis shoes, is the Ambassador of Goodwill for Lake Charles and Southwest Louisiana. He invites all the "Laissez le Bon Temps Rouler" (Let the good times roll) in Lake Charles, the heart of Cajun Fun Country. Gumbeaux also presides over the annual Gumbeaux Gator 'Tail Cook-Off every December.

Lake Charles attractions

Southwest Louisiana offers an unlimited array of fun things to see and do! Whether you're a funseeker or a sun-seeker, may we suggest the following attractions and recreation for your enjoyment?

NORTH BEACH — Located on the north shore of sparkling Lake Charles, North Beach is the only white sandy inland beach on the Gulf Coast. Directly off Interstate 10, the beach is accessible and provides the perfect backdrop for water sports of all kinds. Admission during summer months.

CHARPENTIER DISTRICT — Historic downtown Lake Charles features one of the linest collections of Victorian architecture in the state. The Lake Charles/ Calcasieu Parish Convention and Tourist Commission offers a walking/riding tour brochure that outlines the Charpentier District.

PORT OF LAKE CHARLES —
Only 32 miles inland from the Gulf of Mexico, the Port of Lake Charles is reputed to be the cleanest on the Gulf Coast. Created in 1926, the Port now covers a 203 sq. mile area. (318) 439-3661.

IMPERIAL CALCASIEU MU-SEUM — Located on the corner of Ethel and Sallier Streets in Lake Charles, the museum features a 200 year old oak tree and houses historical records and exhibits depicting the history of Lake Charles and Southwest Louisiana. (318) 439-3797.

CREOLE NATURE TRAIL -

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OLD SPANISH TRAIL.— Originally a Spanishtrading route in the 1800's, the Old Spanish Trail offers a scenic and historic look at west Calcasieu Parish. Such sights as a Confederate encampment, blacksmith shop, crawfish farm, and other features of historical significance may be glimpsed along the Old Spanish Trail.

DELTA DOWNS RACE TRACK

 Just northof Interstate 10 in Vinton, Delta Downs offers year round quarter horse and thoroughbred racing. Admission. (318) 433-3206.

BRIMSTONE MUSEUM — Located in Frasch Park in Sulphur, the Brimstone Museum is housed in the Southern Pacific Railroad depot. Special and permanent exhibits pertaining to Southwdst Louisiana may be viewed year round. (318) 527-7142.

NIBLETT'S BLUFF PARK -

The park site, once an old Civil War encampment, is located west of Vinton on the Sabine River. Tent camping areas, trailer hookups, picnic areas, boat launch, hunting, fishing, and hiking are among the features found at Niblett's Bluff Park. (318) 589-7117.

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159th TFG goes after drug abuse

By SSG. Elaine T. Courville 159 TFG. Public Affairs

Drug and alcohol abuse can hurt both the Air National Guard and the individual.

The Air National Guard Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control Program has two main goals:

1. to discourage all drug abuse, including alcohol, and

2. to reduce to a minimum the adverse consequences to the Air National Guard and the individual when abuse does occur.

Sgt. Shelia Dennis, head of the Drug Alcohol Abuse Control Committee, has her work cut out for her. "We are not here to point the finger at people, but to help them," said, Sgt. Dennis.

Members of the committe will be composed of a cross section from each squadron. The commitjob is to deglamourize drinking and drug abuse.

CSS gives books to school

In keeping with the holiday spirit, the 159th Combat Support Squadron (CSS) of the 159th Tactical Fighter Group at Belle Chasse, donated boxes of books to the Murray Henderson Elementary School.

Recently, a wing of the school which contained the library burned. Although the school now has a new wing and library, the books destroyed by the fire have not been replaced.

WWL-TV Channel 4 in New Orleans, hearing about the plight of the school, made a public plea for assistance. The 159th CSS responded by donating boxes of children's books, including three complete sets of Childcraft books. Col. Frank P. Musso, 159th CSS Commander, and Maj. Jack Brooks of the Social Action Office, delivered the books to the school. The administration and librarian of Henderson Elementary were delighted and invited the officers to visit the library.

This small gesture is evidence once again that the Louisiana Air National Guard serves the community and has concern for its fellow citizens.

Are you putting me on?

Happy Birthday Oldest Service

1986 is a landmark in the history of our country and a very proud year for each of us in the Guard. It is the 350th anniversary of the beginning of the militia which has served freedom since before the birth of the Republic. Although the air component of the militia is more recent, our roots go back to 1636 when a group of farmers, shopkeepers, and fishermen took up arms to defend their liberty in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Citizen soldiers have been in the forefront of every defense of our liberty since.

They reinforced the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War serving under General Washington, a Virginia militia officer.

Those early militiamen played such a vital role in winning our freedom that the Militia Act of 1792 establishing a permanent militia was written into the Constitution. The Act required each state to enroll all men between the ages of 18 and 44 into state militias.

Militiamen formed a vital force during the Mexican War. They served bravely on both sides of the Mason-Dixon line during the Civil

But perhaps the most important event in the Air National Guard's history took place in 1911. It was in that year that a Guardsman from the First Company, Signal Corps of New York, first took to the air just eight years after the Wright Brothers' famous flight at Kitty Hawk. That flight spelled the beginning of the modern-day Air National Guard.

Four years later, New York's 1st Aero Company, the Guard's first organized aviation unit, was called to active duty to help put an end to Pancho Villa's raids along the Mexican border.

In 1917, militia aviators enlisted in the active Army and served durign War World I.

During World War II, 4,800 men from 29 Guard observation squadrons were called to active duty. Among them was our own 122nd Observation Squadron, Louisiana Air National Guard. They helped form the nucleus of what was to become the greatest Air Force in the COMMAND NOTES

ANG Topics from Headquarters Louisiana Air **National Guard**



By BG James J. Hourin Commander, La ANG

World - - the U.S. Air Force.

After the war, the 120th Fighter Squadron of Colorado became the first federally - - recognized Air National Guard unit, followed shortly by the 122nd Light Bombardment Squadron of Louisiana.

It was then that the Air National Guard units began to look like they do today. And it was then that citizenairmen took their places beside citizen-soldiers in defense of our nation.

In 1947, the National Security Act was passed making the Air Force a separate service and officially establishing the Air National Guard. Since then, dependence upon the Air National Guard for the security of our country has increased steadily.

Twenty-two wings with 66 tactical squadrons, were called to active duty during the Korean conflict, our own 122nd among them.

In 1961, more than 22,000 Air Guardsmen responded to the Berlin

During the Pueblo crisis, Air Guard units comprised more than three-fifths of America total air power in Korea.

They also flew nearly 30,000 combat sorties during the Vietnam War.

While our strength and readiness capabilities have made us a powerful wartime force, they have also

served as a powerful deterrent to war.

As reliance on the Guard increased in the early 1970's under the Total Force Policy, the training requirements and readiness of the Guard expanded rapidly. We in Louisiana provide an integral part of Air Force support requirements through the 214th Engineering Installation Squadron and the 236th Combat Information Systems Squadron. In the total Air Force today, 70 % of the Combat Information Specialty including combat communications and tactical information dissemination rests in the Guard. More than 50 % of the Air Force engineering installation capability lies in the Guard. Almost 50 % of the Air Force tactical fighter capability is in the Guard and our own 159th Tactical Fighter Group, modern parent of our historic 122nd Tactical Fighter Squadron. this year becomes the first Guard unit to be ready in the greatest fighter of all time, the F-15 Eagle.

As Guardsmen we have much to be proud of in 1986. As Louisiana Guardsmen we take special pride in being equipped with the F-15.

350 years of service to our nation is a magnificent tradition. We are proud. We are the Guard.

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IT'S ALL YOURS - -Col. T.C. Skanchy, 405th Tactical Training Wing commander, right, congratulates Lt. Col. James Thibodeaux, 159th Tactical Fighter group director of operations on his acceptance of the 20th F-15 Eagle turned over to the Louisiana Air National Guard unit by the 405th TTW, as the wing's deputy commander for maintenance, Col. Robert H. Thompson, looks on. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Staff Sgt. Lem Robson)

159th TFG maintenance "chiefs" find a lot of history during Hawaiian TDY

By CMS Patrick Brady

"The Best TDY in 34 Years."
That was Chief Master Sergent
Gene Lundseaard's reaction as he,
CMS patrick Brady, and CMS
Elmer Nicks, members of the
159TFG La ANG, boarded the
plane to depart Honolulu, Hawaii
and return home.

The "trio of chiefs attended an Aircraft Maintenance Conference held at the 154th Composite Group, Hawaii Air National Guard at Hickam Air Force Base.

Chiefs Lundsgaard, Brady, and Nicks arrived on December 6, 1985, which happened to be the eve of the Forty-Forth anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

On Saturday, December 7th they attended the memorial ceremony on the "Battleship Arizona" monument. It was an eerie feeling to star... there on the

bulk of the Arizonia knowing that over a thousand men are still entombed below its rusting decks.

Monday night the Coonasses were treated to a full eight course Chinese dinner sponsered by the 154th. The only eating utensils available were chopsticks, which posed no problems after a little practice. CMS Nicks noted while the chopsticks were useful for Chinese food, eating boiled crawfish would be a little harder.

Getting to the business portion of the Conference, the Chiefs met with their counterparts to discuss the up-grading of the Hawaiian Air Guard's maintenance shops, parking apron, and the overall maintenance operation. The conference was called the National Guard Bureau (NGB) and the Tactical Air Command (TAC), Colonel Lee Hieser representing TAC Headquarters and LT. Colonel Vance Ren Froe from the NGB were co-chairman of the conference. CMS Brady represented the Organizational Maintenance Branch, CMS Nicks-Field Maintenance, and CMS Lundsgaard Avionics Maintenance Branch

While on Hickam AFB, the group toured the Pacific Air Force Headquarters building, which still had bullet holes from the strafing Japanese aircraft during the December 7th attack. Chief Brady noted that this is a grim reminder of what could happen if America's defense posture was ever allowed to weaken. Before returning home, the group had time to visit the rest of the island's paradise, which included visiting the Bonzi Pipeline, where the championship surfing contests are held, snorkling at Hanauma Bay, and ogling at the many sunbathing beauties that adorned the beaches.

LAANG gets last Arizona F-15

LUKE AIR FORCE BASE. Ariz. The familiar "LA" tail markings of 20 F-15s from Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., have been traded for the markings of an Air National Guard unit from "La." – Louisiana, that is!

Luke's 405th Tactical Training Wing turned over the last Eagle to the 159th Tactical Fighter Group, Louisiana ANG, Dec. 18 in a plane-side ceremony.

The total force concept was strengthened with the ceremony, as the 159th TFG became the first ANG unit to get the front-line air superiority fighter. Col. T.C. Skanchy, 405th TTW commander, presented the symbolic "keys" to the 20th aircraft to Lt. Col. James Thibodeaux, 159th TFG director of operations.

Members of the 159th Consolidated Aircraft Maintence Squadron looked on with Maj, Ralph Clary, their squadron commander and chief of maintenance for the 159th TFG.

"This is a tremendous milestone for the Guard and Air Force," Colonel Skanchy said, "They're getting exceptional aircraft. Our maintenance people have taken good care of them."

The wing commander said the

transfer of aircraft was best for all concerned in the total force. "This gives them a first rate aircraft to do their job with," he said.

Coincidentally, the last F-15 was the wing commander's aircraft for a long time. I've flown 73-086 off and on for 11 years," Colonel Skanchy commented, "and I can tell you it's a good bird. I'll miss it."

The 159th TFG, based at New Orleans Naval Air Station, was upgraded to the Eagle from F-4C Phantoms. The first pair of F-15s arrived in June. At that time, Col. Robert H. Thompson, 405th TTW deputy commander for maintenance, noted, "It's another first for Luke. We were the first to get Eagles in 1974 and now we're the first to transfer Eagles to the Guard."

The initial Eagle delivered to the ANG bore tail number 74-122, significant because the 159th TFG unit operating the new aircraft is the 122nd Tactical Fighter Squadron.

The initial F-15B delivered to the 159th TFG was Luke's very first Eagle, arriving in November 1974 and greeted by President Gerald R. Ford.



Headquarters building for Pacific Air Force. Building shows the staffing done during the attack on Pearl Harbor. (Photo by CMS Brady)

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Lt. Col. Frank Musso receives a briefing from Emie Case (short-sleeve shirt) and Wayne Griffiths on how to operate newly aquired television equipment. (Photo by MSGT Den Barlowe, 159th. TAC FTR GRP)



SSGT Ann Stohl and A1C John Paillot unload the television equipment that was previously operated in the Superdome, bu which now, will power the 159th. Css Audio Visual Section. (Phote by TGST Adolph Roscher, 159th. TAC FTR GRP)

Superdome video gear to equip studio for 159th CSS

By SSgt. Nina Cliffes

With the aid of Ernie Case of WWL-TV 4 Channel 4 and Wayne Griffiths, the Electronics Systems Supervisor for the Louisiana Superdome, the 159th CSS/AV section received some of the old TV equipment which was used to run the big scoreboard in the Dome.

The coming of Super Bowl XX to the Superdome prompted the acquisition of new equipment at the Dome; therefore, some of the

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coverage.

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Retired members with VGLI also may receive the increased coverage. old equipment had to be disposed of. Since the equipment was not classified as a state item, the Superdome had the option to get rid of the equipment as it deemed appropriate.

Through the efforts and communication among Case, Griffiths and Lt. Col. Frank Musso of the 159th Combat Support Squadron, was decided that the Audio Visual section would receive the old equipment. Some of the equipment was kept as backup in case of a breakdown in the new equipment, but what the AV section received was comprised of enough components to make a small, self-sufficient TV studio.

Though the equipment is eight years old and the Superdome felt it needed state-of-the-art equipment for the upcoming Super Bowl, it will greatly enhance the capabilities of the AV section. It will supplement the present AV inventory and provide a means for enhanced training, an electronic bulletin board and better editing abilities. The Audio Visual staff will also be able to produce videos.

Lt. Col. Musso and Maj. Borne 159th CSS/CBPO Chief, upon hearing of the available equipment, saw it as a means for train ing to take place in the individual workcenters so Guardamen would not have to actually absent themselves to attend training classes. The equipment does not have mulit-channel capabilities; however, MSgt. Ken Barlow, AV Supervisor, said the equipment can be set up to produce a splitfeed into different monitors so more than one training session could be shown simultaneously in the different workcenters. The equipment monitors, through the use of a switcher, have split-screen capabilities, allowing for videos with, for example, an instructor on the left side of the screen explaining the action taking place on the right side of the screen.

A small portion of the equipment will receive needed repairs before being delivered to the 159th, compliments of WWL. Then Case, Ernie Harvey and Frank Rayfield will donate their expertise in the installation of the equipment in AV. An added plus

in this all-volunteer effort, since absolutely no expense to the the Air National Guard provides taxpayers so everyone benefits the manpower, is that there is from the effort.





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Air Guard brings Christmas cheer, chow

By Lt. F.S. Strocchia 159th TFG LAANG

For the past two years now, Lt. Col Frank P. Musso of the Louisiana Air National Guard (LA ANG) has organized a worthy project at Christmas time. The project is Christmas Food Baskets for the Needy Program.

Each year, all guardsmen are asked to contribute food and or cash contribute food and or cash contributions. There are food collection points located throughout the base. The food is then gathered at one collection point and is turned over to the Project NCO, Msgt. Jerry Sexton. Mgst. Sexton then prepared individual food baskets which needed to have a complete Christmas dinner. The money that is collected is used to buy the turkey's for these baskets.

After all the baskets are made, Lt. Col. Musso contacts local community organizations to determine who will be the recipients of these baskets.

This year, LA ANG had a banner year for contributions so we distributed baskets to both the low income families at the Richfield Apartments Complex and surrounding Marrero area, and also fruit baskets to the Willow Wood, New Orleans Home for the Jewish Aged at 3701 Behrman Place.

On 19 December 1985 members of the Louisiana Air National Guard embarked on their journey of good will. They arrived at the Richfield Apartment complex and were greeted by the manager (Marcia Fayard). The manager invited the members of the LA ANG in her office and stated "This is very nice that the Louisiana Air National Guard would think of these families."

After talking with the manager of the apartment complex, the members delivered the Christmas nation.

Food Baskets to the families in need. All the recipients were surprised at the kindness shown, and many had tears in their eyes.

Also, two days earlier, the members of the Louisiana Air National Guard made a stop at Willow Wood New Orleans Home for the Jewish Aged.

Due to the large collection this year, Lt. Col. Musso also decided to spread the goodwill to the elderly members of our community. He instructed Msgt. Sexton to purchase an assortment of fruit to make up fruit baskets.

When all the baskets were made up, Lt. Col. Musso, Maj. Rouyer, Msgt. Sexton, Tsgt. Menendez, Airman Bergeron and Linda Rivere set out for Willow Wood. When they arrived, they were greeted by the Director of Programming, Nancy Jacques. Lt. Col. Musso then gave a short speech and the members distributed the fruit bakets to the elderly.

The program was such a success that Nancy Jacques wrote to the unit and said: "On behalf of the residents of Willow Wood, I want to express our deep appreciation for your wonderful Holiday Gift Baskets. Our residents were so grateful for the wonderful thought and warm manner in which you delivered the baskets.

Many school groups deliver small gifts to the Home for us to give out. I can't tell you what it meant for you to hand-deliver each gift to our residents and bring part of yourself along with each basket.

Our thanks, again, for your generosity and thoughtfulness. We wish you all a happy and healthy New Year."

This is just another way the Louisiana Air National Guard is helping the community and our nation.

Members of the 159th Combat support squadron arriving at the home for the Jewish Aged with Fruit, Baskets. (Photo by TSG Roscher)

KC-10 winning performer for USAF logistics support team

McDonnell Douglas has received its ninth "outstanding" rating from the U.S. Air Force for the logistics support of the KC-10 advanced tanker/cargo aircraft fleet.

The rating was based on the logistics support for the period from March 1 to August 31, and included support for the fleet of 35 KC-10s stationed at Barksdale Air Force Base, La., and March Air Force Base, Calif.

In addition to building the KC-10, the Douglas Aircraft division of McDonnell Douglas is also under contract 'to provide full logistic support for the KC-10 fleet. Th contract provides that Air Force personnel perform flight line maintenance, while Douglas is in charge of stocking and supplying spare parts, maintenance of support equipment and heavy maintenance on the aircraft.

In a letter to McDonnell

Douglas, the Air Force said, "The outstanding mission success and launch reliability rates reflect the true effectiveness of the support."

For the six-month period, the launch reliability rate, the precentage of takeoffs within 15 minutes of schedule, was 98.5 percent, well above the required 96 percent.

The mission success rate was 100 percent - every time the KC-10 took off, it successfully completed its mission.

The evaluation of the current six-month period will include operations at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C., which became the third KC-10 base in October.

The Air Force is procuring 60 KC-10s under a multi-year contract with McDonnell Douglas. Thirty-nine have been delivered so far, and the last delivery under the current contract is scheduled for 1987



Members of the Louisiana Air National Guard distributing the Fruit Baskets to the Elderly. (Photo by TSG Roscher)

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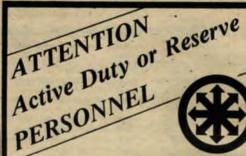
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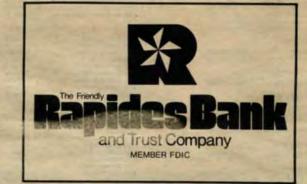
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Guardsman repeats as Fifth Army Soldier of the Year



Lt. Gen. Louis C. Menetry, Commander, 5th U.S. Army salutes Sgt. 1st Class Cliff L. Warner, two-time consecutive winner of 5th Army's Soldier of the Year Award. (Photo by SSG James Williams, 241st Pub Aff Det.)

By Sgt. Bill Rappold 241st. Pub. Aff. Det.

"To be a command sergeant major is my military goal," said Louisiana guardsman Sgt. 1st. Class CLiff L. Warner upon receiving the Fifth Army's coveted Soldier of the Year Award for the second consecutive year.

Nominated to become a command sergeant major, and currently enrolled in first sergeant's coursework, Warner was chosen to represent Louisiana in a national competition to be held in San Antonio on Aug. 4 and 5, of this past year.

Eighteen states were represented in this grueling test of character and capabilities designed to confront participants with various situations where immediate response and shrewd soldiering ability decides the fate of the participant.

"Increased technical complexity in warfare allows less time for response to crises and mobilization," explained Warner. "Readiness testing requires that a leader

have in place a workable and adequately sized responsive plan before a crisis is presented."

Discipline and training highlight every aspect of Warner's military career and is even carried into his civilian life.

Always improving his soldiering skills, Warner moved closer to his life long desire to fly. In 1974, he traded a 64C Truck Driver MOS for a 93N Air Traffic Controller job title.

This love for flying has seen Warner obtain a Multi-Engine Commerical Pilot's license, and he has logged in excess of 1,200 flying hours along the way.

A seven year member of the National Guard, Warner was voted Soldier of the Quarter by the 165th Transportation Battalion in 1983, and outstanding Soldier of the Year for the 204th Area Support Group before receiving top honors from the Fifth Army.

Warner is employed by the United Parcel Service as an overthe-road driver, and serves on the deacon board of his church. "My religion gives richness to my life. That all people of the world can one day enjoy the right to personal freedom and expression of their religious beliefs is a goal that I, as a soldier and as a citizen, am willing to defend," he said.

Commitment to his family's strength is an important part of Warner's life. His wife Mary, daughter Tawanda, and son Cliff, Jr., enjoy picnics and family get togethers.

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By OFFICER CANDIDATE David A. Roach Class 26

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Those of us who were NCOs, and used to sitting back in our old units discussings how easy the officers had it there, have found out how different things really are to the images in our min s. The responsibility of officers t remain current in training is tremendous. They are tasked with the wants, cares, and needs of those they lead. They must be prepared to lead even in the most adverse situations without delay. The responsibilities and duties of the officer don't stop there, but are too numberous to mention.

We're halfway through the course now and I feel that we've only begun to learn what it takes to become a good officer.

But enough about the plight of the officer. (I don't want to give anyone the big head.) What about the person curious about OCS? for the soldier who's looking for a challenge, selfimprovement, and a way to be the best you can be, OCS is the

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