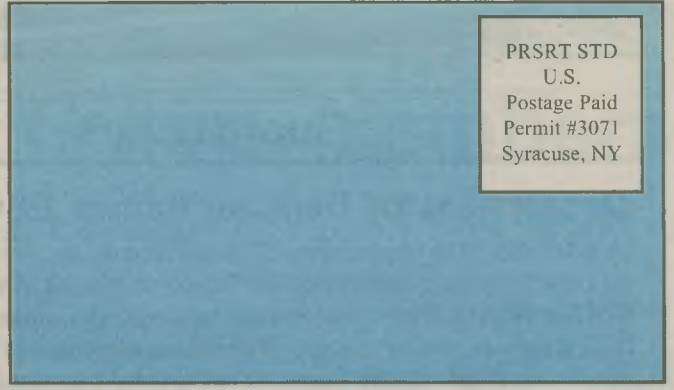


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Triumph! Military Police Company Returns from Bosnia

By Lt. Col. Paul Fanning
Guard Times Staff

NIAGARA FALLS—Members of the 105th Military Police Company returned home on March 10 after nine months duty with the NATO Peacekeeping Mission to Bosnia. Hundreds of cheering family members, friends and military officials were at the Niagara Falls International Airport to welcome the Western-NY based troops.

The unit moved back to the US from Bosnia on March 6th and was flown to Fort Benning, for out-processing from active duty. Buffalo and Rochester based troops flew to Niagara Falls aboard a military charter for the 8:00 a.m. homecoming ceremony. It was a joyous morning in Niagara Falls for the 105th members from Buffalo and Rochester and their families. Additional personnel from Utica, the Hudson Valley and New York City deployed as a part of the unit when it left home last August. These troops flew back from Fort Benning via commercial transport to be reunited with their families in their home communities in smaller homecoming events.

"I want to welcome you home, but also congratulate all of you on a phenomenal performance. The reports we got back from the Army, throughout your tenure over there, said that you not only met but wildly exceeded their expectations," said Maj. Gen. Jack Fenimore, the Adjutant General. His comments brought forth an instant volley of cheers and ovations from family members and friends crowded inside the Niagara Falls terminal. "You were the most professional group they have seen over there in a very long time," he said.

KaValla

"It was a really important mission," said Spec. Terry Jackson, who is convinced the



peacekeeping mission is saving lives. She was reminded of this through routine contact with region inhabitants. "I know they really appreciate our presence. It was a really good learning experience, and I am glad I went. We prevented a lot of killing from taking place," she said.

"It was definitely worthwhile," said Staff Sgt. Gené Heintz, who reflected on the high level of soldier teamwork evident within the unit during their nine months overseas. "Living conditions as they were... you got to know each other quite well. We had a good time. Everybody stayed close together. We worked hard, long hours. We accomplished the mission. From the looks on peoples faces when we left, we knew we succeeded," said Staff Sgt. Heintz.

But there is no place like home for these troops who hadn't seen loved ones for months. "Being home is great. It is a lot better than being over there," said Spec. Dan Arlington, Jr. as he cradled his infant son Caylin in his arms. Arlington also feels that the mission was a success and that, slowly, progress is beginning to take hold in Bosnia. "It seems like the people over there are beginning to get their lives back together. The people are friendly. All the little kids would wave as we drove by," he said.



Photo at left: members of the 105th Military Police Company carry the unit guidon back from their successful nine-month deployment to Bosnia for peacekeeping operations to implement NATO's Stabilization Force (SFOR) Operations. The unit comprised soldiers from Buffalo and Rochester regions as well as a significant number of individual volunteers from throughout New York State and even Massachusetts. Below, Sgt. Shawn Lis is welcomed back home by family and friends during the emotional reunion held on March 10 this spring at Buffalo's International Airport. Photos by Sgt. Ray Drumsta.

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Department Of Defense Names ESGR Chairman

SYRACUSE – The Department of Defense recently appointed a Syracuse native as the New York State chairperson for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR). David A. Duffy, Vice President of Corporate Communications for Blasland, Bouk & Lee, Inc. will serve as the ESGR senior spokesman for Guard affairs in the state.

Duffy, a retired Marine Corps officer will lead a volunteer group of business executives, government representatives and military personnel across New York. Their role solidifies the partnership between business and the National Guard to ensure communication and coordination between members of the Guard and their employers.

Duffy is a graduate of Lemoyne College and a six-year veteran of active service with the Marine Corps, including combat service in Vietnam. Blasland, Bouk & Lee is an environmental engineering firm based in Dewitt, New York with 20 offices nationwide.

The New York Committee for ESGR is a unique organization that strives to minimize conflicts between civilian careers and part-time military duties. Committee members in the seven geographical areas meet with business executives and supervisors to explain the significance of the National Guard and Reserve.

With the trend for more world-wide tasking of the military and the Reserve Components' increased role in those missions, employer support of workers serving in uniform is more important than ever. Throughout New York State, Reserve and Guard members from the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines have deployed overseas to support operations in the Balkans, Central America and the Middle East. Most recently, over 150 members of the Army National Guard redeployed from a nine-month deployment to Bosnia as part of Operation Joint Forge with the 10th Mountain Division.

ESGR sponsors activities such as "Bosslifts" and other events where employers can see firsthand the military work of their employees. They can develop a better understanding of the contributions made by Reserve and Guard members. ESGR volunteers also visit local Guard and Reserve units to explain the rights and responsibilities of reservists and their employers.

Duffy will report directly to the Honorable Charles L. Cragin, the Principal Deputy Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs.

Congressional Funding in Line for NY

WASHINGTON – Two congressional budget bills pending for the Department of Defense will impact the NY National Guard and the region's training and mobilization site, Fort Drum. Nearly \$40 million in construction projects are expected to receive approval for the new fiscal year beginning October of this year.

A \$5.4 million addition to Hancock Field will create an Army National Guard Readiness Center. The expansion will allow the 27th Enhanced Infantry Brigade to move out of the World War Two era Genesee Street Armory and consolidate National Guard units at the Thompson Road armory. The downtown armory would then become available for redevelopment in Syracuse.

At Hancock Field, the Air National Guard would receive \$9.1 million for upgrades to the aircraft maintenance shops that support the 174th Fighter Wing's F-16 aircraft and another \$1.2 million towards a small arms weapons firing range.

Fort Drum will benefit from a \$12 million allocation for a revised Battle Simulation Center to replace the current complex on the installation. The simulation center trains commanders and staffs in battle command, planning and coordination. The center will be utilized by the 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) and other National Guard and Reserve Component units that train at the post.

Units Excel in Marksmanship Championships

CAMP SMITH – More than 350 competitors and support personnel representing all the military components in New York State competed in the 21st Adjutant General's Matches for unit and individual marksmanship excellence.

First place New York awards went to Master Sgt. Mark Shearer from the 174th Fighter Wing for Aggregate Combat Rifle, Sgt. Henry Miglianti from Delta Company, 2d Battalion 108th Infantry for Aggregate Combat Pistol, and Sgt. Michael Molgaard from Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 108th Infantry for Aggregate Light Machine Gun.

Receiving unit or team awards for marksmanship were Fox Company, 2d Battalion, 25th Marines, US Marine Corps Reserve for Combat Rifle, the 106th Air National Guard's Rescue Wing for Combat Pistol, and Bravo Company, 1st Battalion, 108th Infantry from the Army National Guard for the Light Machine Gun Competition.

The aggregate winners and high scoring unit teams from the Army and Air National Guard will go on to represent New York State at the National Guard Marksmanship Championships (the Wilson Matches) this October at Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

TAG Talk

A Supportive Boss: Essential to Our National Guard's Vitality

If our "citizen-soldiers" and airmen and women don't have the backing and full support of their Boss for duty in the National Guard they are an endangered species. It's as simple as that.

Survey after survey tell us that ranking near the top of the list of why troops exit the program is non-support or criticism by employers of their membership in the Guard. More precisely, it's the time it takes away from the work place that is the biggest stress. Particularly vulnerable are employees of smaller, private sector companies where the loss of a Guard member for an annual training tour, extended, involuntary active duty, or even weekend training, may be sorely felt on the job.

"...for ESGR to work effectively, it must have the commitment of our leadership, the total chain-of-command, and the hearts of our members"

Unit commanders and all in the chain-of-command – particularly in this era of heightened Op Tempo – have a clear responsibility to ensure that our members understand their rights and responsibilities under the US Uniform Services Employment and Re-employment Act of 1994 (USERRA), US Dept. of Labor and applicable state codes.

Fortunately there is a mechanism which, if properly applied, can make that job easier for unit level commanders. It is the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Committee, better known as ESGR. It's primary purpose: get the word to the troops and the employers that they both need to understand, mutually support and appreciate each other if the Total Force Policy, as we know it today, is to thrive.

There was a time (more than a decade ago) when the acronym ESGR was almost as widely known as other abbreviations so common in our military vocabulary: IG, ORI, EEO, BPED or ETS. Not so today. The latest generations, our newest members, if quizzed, would have a hard time identifying the purpose of ESGR, much less knowing what the letters stand for. We have a rebuilding job to do.

Recently, I met with David A. Duffy, the newly elected chair of the New York State ESGR Committee. A retired Marine Corps officer and Vietnam War veteran, Dave Duffy's most recent assignment with ESGR was head of the Syracuse-Central New York region; one of the most active and customer-oriented for ESGR in the state.



Maj. Gen. John H. Fenimore, V
The Adjutant General

His "hands on" style of leadership helped make ESGR work in Syracuse. I have every reason to believe he'll bring that same sense of responsibility to the rest of the state.

Significantly, he and the ESGR's new state leadership are committed to initiating or revitalizing the committee's most relevant programs for the troops:

—A meaningful, ESGR awards recognition program for deserving bosses functioning at the unit level. Over 550 "Seven Seals" awards were provided friendly employers last year in recognition for employer support to our members for Governor George Pataki's activation of the Guard for North Country Ice Storm '98. We need to be doing more of this.

—Bosslifts, or orientation information tours, for actual employers of National Guard members and reservists, while they are undergoing field training in New York, or CONUS locations. We have found that creative, one-or-two day trips for employers of our own people, while they are training, sends a powerful, reassuring message of support to both boss and "citizen-soldier."

—Accessible Ombudsman services for Guard members to aid their chain-of-command in employer and soldier job conflict resolution.

—The appointment of dedicated, volunteer Mission One representatives at armories, air bases and reserve centers to assist troops with awareness of their special obligations to their own employer.

Ultimately, in order for ESGR to work effectively, it must have the commitment of our leadership, the total chain-of-command, and the hearts of our members. In the next months, this headquarters will be exporting detailed materials to the field in an effort to recharge and revitalize this most worthy "Quality of Life" service. Stay tuned!

Editor's Correction: Our Jan-Feb issue misidentified the armory for the Army National Guard's reenlistment ceremony involving Major General Michael Van Patten. An alert reader corrects the caption to identify the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion 105th Infantry's Armory on Washington Avenue in Schenectady.

East Meets West for National Guard Members

European Leaders Study NY's Approach to Emergency Response and Community Support

By Capt. Richard Goldenberg
Guard Times Staff

NEW YORK – Senior military and civilian leaders from Eastern Europe came to New York City to learn first hand from the New York National Guard how they can better shape their nation's defense and emergency response capabilities.

The instruction is part of a leadership course sponsored by the prestigious George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies. With the support and encouragement of the US Department of Defense, the Garmich, Germany-based center added the New York National Guard to its curriculum.

Twice annually, the center conducts military to military courses for European officials. The final phase is a trip from Germany to the US. Participants attend meetings in Washington, DC with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, members of Congress, the Supreme Court. They then travel to New York for a tour of the Stock Exchange on Wall Street, the City's Crisis Management Office, ABC News and the United Nations in Manhattan.

The NY National Guard symposium was at its historic Fifth Avenue Armory in Harlem. Briefings were designed to assist emerging democracies as they redefine their military missions and structure. Eighty visiting officials, with Marshall Center support staff and interpreters arrived at the armory March 13 for a detailed presentation.

They participated in a two-hour briefing and dialog session with the Deputy Adjutant General, Brig. Gen. William C. Martin, and visited informational displays staffed by Guard members.

Participants came from a diverse group of nations such as Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechoslovakia, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovak Republic, Tajikistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. Participants included military and civilian officials who advise their nations' heads of state. Their focus is to capture valuable lessons for managing strategic change impacting emerging democracies.

"Working with our international colleagues at the Marshall Center to promote peace through partnership in central Europe and Eurasia is a great strategic opportunity for the New York National Guard," said Brig. General William C. Martin, NY's Deputy Adjutant General. "We are honored to serve as our state and nation's military ambassadors to these distinguished guests."

The visiting members of the Marshall Center included military officials representing their equivalent

opportunities for the New York National Guard, said Brig. General William C. Martin, NY's Deputy Adjutant General. "We are honored to serve as our state and nation's military ambassadors to these distinguished guests."



Maj. Tom Meier, NY City's Regional CounterDrug Commander, relates youth programs to a delegate of the Russian Federation. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg

Providing displays and information for the visitors were diverse soldiers and airmen of the National Guard. Topics of discussion on the exhibit floor ranged from CounterDrug youth programs to aviation support of environmental operations right through to the state's newest asset for terrorism response for weapons of mass destruction.



Members of NY's Civil Support Detachment discuss the capability of the National Guard to rapidly detect and assess hazards from Weapons of Mass Destruction, a growing threat world-wide. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg



Master Sgt. Jeanine Mannarino from NY's CounterDrug program discusses the wide range of military support activities that members of the NY National Guard provide the state. From youth programs to emergency response to GuardHELP community support, the NY National Guard has become a model for the emerging democracies of the former Soviet Union and Eastern European nations. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg

lent reserve component forces, defense ministries, and ministries of civil defense and natural disaster response. "Their questions and interactions with our National Guard members were insightful and forward leaning," Martin observed.

What the Guard is doing in NY is what many of these nations need to do for themselves. These developing Eastern European nations can learn much from NY's National Guard, and, in this way, National Guard members are helping to shape a more stable and peaceful future, Marshall Center officials said.

Members of the NY National Guard have been among the busiest in the nation both in terms of responding to state emergencies and providing peacetime support to communities. In 1998, the NY National Guard led the nation in state emergency response.

"This is the kind of strategic change that our visiting leaders are looking for," said Lt. Colonel Tom Maley of the British Army, Professor and Associate Course Director for the executive program.

The briefings concentrated on New York's proven approach to disaster response, crisis management, and civil support. General Martin described the composition and federal mission of the NY National Guard in English, and through Russian and German interpreters the message was conveyed to the class. He also explained the state and local missions so prevalent in New York State's recent past.

"In the span of three hours, we reached nearly 100 future civilian and military leaders from 26 nations," noted Martin. "Our National Guard members can take pride in the fact that they are conducting nation-building with these developing democracies on a new military model for community support and emergency response."

Concluding the seminar, Lt. Col. Arjan Rugji, the Deputy Commander of Guard of the Republic, Republic of Albania, presented the National Guard members with a national plaque and flag of his nation on behalf of the field study class. "I want to thank the NY National Guard for hosting us today and strengthening the partnership for peace process the Marshall Center represents," he said.

The Marshall Center is expected to continue its relationship with the NY National Guard for future US field studies in its executive program.



A member of NY's Civil Support Detachment reviews personal equipment to detect Chemical, Biological or Radiological threats. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg

Woman Leads National Guard Team for Peacekeeping Mission

Guard Times Staff

LATHAM — For the first time in the history of the New York Army National Guard, a female officer commands a National Guard unit activated for overseas duty under a Presidential Selected Reserve Call Up.

Captain Linda Thorburn, commander of the 138th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment, New York Army National Guard leads a seven-member team from Latham during a nine-month active duty tour to Europe that began in April. Thorburn was named commander last fall, following confirmation of the unit's expected spring activation.

Her unit is the fifth New York Army National Guard organization called to duty for the NATO Peacekeeping Mission to Bosnia since 1996. The 138th began a 15-day pre-deployment training period on March 24, which was conducted at the National Guard's Camp Smith in Westchester



Members of the 138th Public Affairs Detachment conduct pre-mobilization weapons qualification as part of the detachment's deployment to Germany this spring. Courtesy photo.

county, Ft. Dix, NJ and at the unit's home base in Latham. The seven-member team was activated after Easter weekend in April and flown to Ft. Benning, GA for in-processing and subsequent movement to Germany.

The 138th is being deployed to Heidelberg, Germany for up to 270 days to work for the Headquarters, US Army in Europe. During the deployment, members of the team are

expected to perform temporary duty in Bosnia and possibly in Kosovo. The unit is comprised of Army public affairs officers, military journalists and broadcast journalists, who perform public affairs operations in support of deployed US forces. These include publishing military newspapers, producing video stories for Armed Forces Radio and TV and assist-

ing civilian news organizations as they cover the military. The Army scaled back its mission requirements over the winter for the entire unit's activation, to just a seven-member team led by Thorburn, and staffed by five men and one woman.

Members of the 138th are among the busiest soldiers in the New York Army National Guard, being called out for nearly every recent state emergency in New York. In addition, the unit routinely provides support and coverage for large and small training operations statewide. National Guard public affairs units are among the nation's most frequently activated National Guard units for overseas service.



Detachment members exit the mask confidence chamber during pre-mobilization team training. Eight members of the 138th deployed to support NATO's peacekeeping mission in Bosnia. Courtesy photo.

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In Bosnia, the troops supported elements of the US Army's 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) from Fort Drum. The mission was to continue to enforce the conditions of the Dayton Peace Accord, and involved patrolling and security duties around the countryside and near military bases. While there, the troops adopted and supported Bosnian elementary and high school students, and aided the children in their studies and efforts to grow up in the war-torn region. "It was definitely worthwhile," said Heintz. "To see the looks on the peoples faces when we went to the schools and villages... I know it was worthwhile," he said.

"It was a very successful mission. It was very rewarding for the troops and they learned a lot. They really made a difference," said Capt. Michael Fowler, the unit commander. "We relied on our comradery and team work, which helped us get through the stressful times," he said. Fowler feels that the contrast between back home and images of deprivations that Bosnians endure daily will be something his troops will long remember and reflect on. "When you spend so long with families who have no idea of the kind of comforts we have in the US, it makes you aware of a different reality. You work with these people every day. You

drive through their towns. There are no windows in the buildings. They have no furniture in their homes. They are struggling to survive, and they still manage to greet you with a smile. The children still wave. They run up and give you a handshake. That is rewarding, but is very sobering. We learned a new word over there, 'Ka Valla.' That means 'thank you,'" he said. "A very sincere thank you."

While deployed, the soldiers received considerable support from home through the unit's Family Support Program. Spouses, family members and community organizations sent over reading materials, supplies, and donations for the Bosnian students and even snacks from local vendors. The mission was a difficult experience for the troops and families, but officials credit the troops for a very successful mission.

"We are very proud of the men and women of the 105th Military Police Company, who deployed in the name of peace for this mission, and served their nation so well. Members of the New York Army National Guard continue to make significant contributions to the ongoing multi-national peacekeeping force in Bosnia, and will continue to do so for

as long as needed," said Governor George E. Pataki. "All New Yorkers join with me now to extend our best wishes to these valiant soldiers and their families, and a heart-felt and joyous 'well done and welcome home.'"



Top photo: NY's Adjutant General, Major General John Fenimore welcomes back the 105th MP Company. Bottom photo: family members show their support for the redeployment. Photos by Sgt. Ray Drumsta.



Capt. Linda Thorburn (left) and the 138th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment. Courtesy photo.

For the last several months the detachment and its support personnel have been working hard to prepare for the NATO mission. Sgt. Eugene Palmeroy, a long-standing member of the 138th stated that "the entire team is very motivated about the deployment and is honored to have Capt. Thorburn leading the unit. She is well respected for her straightforward, personable personality; we know she is looking out for us and because of that we all make a great team."

Thorburn works as the Director of Counseling for the National Guard's ChalleNGe Youth Opportunity Program for high school dropouts in Peekskill. As a public affairs officer, Thorburn supported National Guard operations from the field, including the search for Sara Anne Wood, the Blizzard of '96 in New York City and the threat posed by Hurricane Floyd last September.

"Though young, Thorburn is a very experienced, well-educated and focused professional with tremendous enthusiasm as a care-provider and a tireless determination to serve her nation, state and community," said Maj. Gen. John H. Fenimore, the Adjutant General. "She is selfless public servant, a wonderful example of a modern citizen soldier, making a difference in the community everyday."

Rainbow Brigades Train with 1st Armored in Germany

By Capt. Andrae Evans
HQ, Third Brigade, 42d Infantry Division

TROY - The 42^d Infantry Division returned to Europe in this fifty-fifth year since the unit, known as the Rainbow Division, fought the final battles of the Second World War.

Army National Guard soldiers from throughout the state deployed for month-long intensive Annual Training at the US Army's Combat Training Center in Grafenwohr, Germany from 24 March to 25 April.

The troops came from the Third Brigade Headquarters and the Engineer Brigade Headquarters based in Buffalo. Subordinate unit personnel came from battalion headquarters from throughout New York. Additional personnel from the Troy-based division headquarters and the division's 642d Military Intelligence Battalion accompanied the brigades during the deployment and the training exercise.

The mission in Germany supported the Army's Fifth Corps "Warfighter" command post exercise, a simulation of combat planning and control. The "Warfighter" is the Army's evaluation of senior commanders during simulated combat operations. The Rainbow's Third Brigade became the Third Brigade of the 1st Armored Division for the exercise.

The brigades participated in their own successful "Warfighter" exercise in 1998 with the 42^d Division. The Army then selected them to return to the training center at Fort Leavenworth, KS to serve as an exercise higher headquarters for the next National Guard division undergoing evaluation in 1999. The units replicated their deployment plans for reporting, intelligence analysis, and combat plans and control.

"Following the success of both these units during state emergencies and the Army's combat training center exercises, our leaders and soldiers were up to the task to plan operations side by side with their Fifth Corps counterparts," said Brig. Gen. George Garrett, 42^d Division Commander.

The Third Brigade made a seamless transition to the 1st Armored Division's chain of command, greatly impressing their Active Army and German Army counterparts. Rainbow soldiers had to routinely explain that they were National Guard soldiers, not the 1st Armored's active brigade.

Colonel Arnold Soeder, the Third Brigade Commander stated, "In the past it was anticipated that National Guard units need a huge learning curve to participate in a complicated exercise in order to perform to standard. Now, we do not have the luxury of time. We must enter any mission

ready to do the job. National Guardsmen must perform with the same degree of professionalism and competence as their active duty counterparts."

The Third Brigade conducted extensive coordination with the units of the 5th German Panzer Division, specifically, the 34th and the 35th Panzerbrigades. Though the language and tactics posed initial difficulties, they soon melted away by the intensity of the training. Liaison officers and linguists from both the German and American units soon smoothed over any difficulties that were present.

"I haven't seen such a strong Active Component/Reserve Component partnership since I was a Roundout Battalion Commander, before Desert Storm," said Colonel Jeffrey Yeaw, the division's Engineer Brigade Commander. "The V Corps HQ, the 130th Engineer Brigade, and the 1st Armored Division all took us in and made the Rainbow Engineer Brigade a full partner in their Team. Some people merely talk One Army; these professionals walk the walk. The result was a very unique, challenging, and rewarding training experience replicating a Combat Engineer Group."

The Fifth Corps exercise in command and control builds on the Rainbow's preparations to respond to federal and state activations. "With the 49th Division Headquarters now in Bosnia, the lines between Active and Guard missions are more similar than ever," noted Division Chief of Staff Colonel Joseph Taluto. "This deployment was another great stride in the 42^d Division's record of achievements for New Yorkers and the Army. The Rainbow is truly a "Division of Choice," whether in NY during emergencies or training with the Army."

258th Cannoneers Make Most of Overseas Deployment

By Spec. Timothy Gilligan
HQ, 1st Battalion, 258th Field Artillery

NEW YORK CITY - Members of the 1st Battalion, 258th Field Artillery deployed overseas this spring for a unique annual training opportunity. Working alongside Active Army counterparts for a command post exercise, the Rainbow artillerymen had a chance to deploy to Grafenwohr, Germany, the Army's Combat Training Center in Europe.

The deployment for Operation Urgent Victory involved the 42^d Infantry Division's support to the Army's Fifth Corps command and staff evaluation, or Warfighter exercise. Soldiers from the 258th Field Artillery supported their higher headquarters, the Rainbow Division's Third Brigade.

The soldiers enjoyed both the training opportunity offered by the 1st Armored Division and the off duty recreational activities sponsored by the Morale, Recreation, and Welfare (MWR) office. The MWR hosted tours of Neuschwanstein, the Castle of König Ludwig II von Bayern, and the ancient cities of Nürnberg and München.

"The training was high speed! We worked hand in hand with active duty soldiers just back from Bosnia and Kosovo," said Specialist Ruben Torres of Headquarters Battery. "I enjoyed listening to their experiences. However, what I am going to remember was the opportunities that we had to enjoy the German culture. These are some of the reasons why I joined the National Guard," he exclaimed.

Headquarters Battery First Sergeant Rene Rivera agreed. "The soldiers worked 12-14 hour days, but their morale remained high. Everybody was excited about being incorporated into an Active Duty division. The MWR trips that allowed the soldiers to visit various German towns also helped boost their morale," he said.

Major John E. Kool Jr., the acting Battalion Commander, believed that training opportunities like this help boost the already high retention rate for the unit. "Soldiers here have been telling me that this training was the reason they joined the National Guard and how great a time they are having," he commented. "Next year, I hope to schedule similar training during the summer so more soldiers will be able to attend without missing school. Training like this should not be missed."

The National Guard soldiers were not the only ones to learn from the exercise. Several active duty soldiers gained valuable insights about opportunities available in the NY National Guard. Sgt. Harlan Wallner of the 4th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery, 1st Armored Division, stated "I never knew if I joined the NY National Guard that I could go to any New York State or city college for free. I joined the military to pay for college and when I get out next year I plan on going to college. I am now also planning on joining the National Guard."

Rainbow HQ Hosts First Reunion

By Capt. Richard Goldenberg
HQ, 42d Infantry Division

TROY - To honor the first year of the Rainbow Division Veteran's Association (RDVA) Chapter of the 42^d Infantry Division Headquarters, the Officers and Soldiers of the Division HQ Chapter invite Rainbow veterans past and present to a reunion in Troy, June 9th - 11th this spring. The event is open to National Guard members of the Rainbow Division as well as combat veterans of the World Wars.

The Veteran's Association approved last year for members of the National Guard's 42d Infantry Division to join the veteran's association to carry forward the history and legacy of the Rainbow's achievements in both World Wars.

The weekend includes lodging at the Best Western Rensselaer Inn in Troy, New York and a schedule that provides a bus tour to Saratoga Springs and the Saratoga National

Battlefield Park, site of the historic Revolutionary War battle. Saturday evening will feature a Rainbow Veterans' banquet at the hotel followed by dancing to the music of the 42^d Division Band. The weekend concludes with a Sunday tour of the Rainbow Division armory in Troy with displays



and exhibits of today's 42^d Infantry Division.

Former members of the Rainbow Division with the National Guard as well as all RDVA members throughout the region are invited to join the Rainbow soldiers and learn more about the division's role in the 21st Century, preparing for wartime mobilization while standing ready for peacetime emergencies.

For more information and reservations, please contact Dick Tisch with the RDVA at (973) 635-2559 or Master Sgt. Arthur Normandeau with the 42^d Division Headquarters at (518) 786-4493.

Rainbow Soldiers Provide OPFOR for ROTC Cadets

By Capt. Patrick Chaisson
1st Battalion, 101st Cavalry

GUILDERLAND – “Cadets of the Mohawk Battalion: Leave our country now! You are not welcome here!”

These words greeted a group of Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) cadets who deployed to the Guilderland Local Training Area near Albany recently. The cadets were there to train on leadership skills that would prepare them for their Advanced Camp later this summer. A group of 42d Infantry Division soldiers from several Troy-based Rainbow units assisted with that training.

The New York Army National Guard was invited to play “OPFOR”, or Opposing Forces, against the ROTC cadets. Over twenty volunteers — from Bravo and Charlie Companies, 1-101 Armor, the 642d Military Intelligence Battalion and HHC, 42d Infantry Division — donned MILES gear and the distinctive green wool OPFOR shirts of the “Voorheeian Liberation Army.”



Corporal Leonard Smith, Company B, 1st Battalion, 101 Cavalry, takes aim from under the camouflage of his homemade “Ghillie Suit”. Smith, along with 20 other members of the 101 Cavalry from the Troy area, provided “OPFOR” against the ROTC cadets of Siena College at the Guilderland training site in upstate New York. Photo by Sgt. John Holmes.

“The use of Guard soldiers to shape a simulated combat environment immensely enhanced the leadership development of our cadets,” Andonie explained. “Cadets believed they were part of an actual combat situation.”

First Lt. Frank Banaszewski of Charlie Company, 1-101 Armor, was one of those Guard OPFOR members who made the day’s training so realistic. A graduate of the Siena College Army ROTC program himself, Banaszewski used his knowledge and experience to better prepare the cadets for Advanced Camp.

“The cadets set up a roadblock that my team was supposed to drive past,” Banaszewski reported. “When they

and the Guard benefits both organizations.

Holmes said college students can belong to both ROTC and the National Guard under the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP). This enables students to pursue their degree tuition-free with the Guard while earning their Army commission as an ROTC cadet. Other benefits include gaining valuable leadership experience — SMP participants drill with a nearby National Guard unit, letting them apply those skills they learn in ROTC.

Sgt. Holmes can be contacted at 518-273-6569 for information about Army ROTC or the Simultaneous Membership Program.



A Siena College Army ROTC Cadet armed with a “Viper antitank rocket takes cover from sniper fire. Two dozen Army National Guard soldiers from several Troy-based units provided aggressor support against the Mohawk Battalion during a field training exercise March 25, 2000. Photo by Sgt. John Holmes.

Soldiers learned that the Voorheeian Liberation Army, or VLA for short, was a terrorist organization dedicated to opposing US “intervention” in their territory. The VLA came equipped with rifles and machine guns, but also bullhorns and video cameras.

This was OPFOR with a twist. The VLA often wore civilian clothes over their MILES harnesses to confuse and disorient the cadets. Some Guard soldiers role-played snipers during the morning phase only to become TV reporters that afternoon.

Cadets had to make split-second decisions in a stressful, tactical setting. Any wrong move might result in a war crime, captured on film by the aggressive OPFOR. Evaluators were always nearby, observing every action.

The event was a great success, according to Major John Andonie of the US Army ROTC Instructor Group, headquartered at Siena College.

156th Deploys South for Live-Fire



Members of Battery C, 1st Battalion, 156th Field Artillery took a break from the Rochester winter this March when the battery seized an opportunity to conduct deployment training via C5 Galaxy to Camp Blanding, Florida. The unit went through the mobilization exercise and conducted vehicle and equipment airload rigging and inspections before heading South for a live-fire exercise. The training focused on many of the unit’s field skills in anticipation of the 27th Enhanced Separate Infantry Brigade’s upcoming Annual Training and Joint Readiness Training Center rotation in 2001. Photo by Capt. Charles Cobb.

Air Guard Transports Thruway Crash Hero



By Scott Sandman
Guard Times Staff

GLENVILLE—The New York Air National Guard provided medical care and transport this spring to Specialist Dean Johnson, a selfless hero who saved the lives of a family of three in a horrific car crash on the New York Thruway. Johnson, an Army soldier recently redeployed from Bosnia, became a local hero for his actions during that crash in upstate New York.

Members of the 139th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, part of the Air National Guard's 109th Airlift Wing, transported Spec. Johnson to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC. Johnson, a 23-year-old soldier with the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, was critically injured during a surprise snowstorm in mid-April in the Capital District.

Spec. Johnson stopped to assist a stranded family of three on interstate 90 east of Albany. He was struck by a tractor-trailer that lost control in the storm, severing both of his legs. According to State Police, the fact that Johnson positioned his pickup truck between the oncoming traffic and the family's vehicle likely saved their lives.

"Specialist Johnson's selfless actions and extraordinarily positive attitude area tremendous inspiration to us all. The people of New York State can be proud that their NY National Guard is able to provide the necessary medical transport to this true American

hero," said Governor Pataki, State Commander in Chief.

Johnson arrived by ambulance from Albany Medical Center at the Stratton Air National Guard Base in Glenville where the aeromedical crew loaded him onto a C-130 transport for Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland. As an active duty Army soldier, Spec. Johnson primary medical treatment and therapy is provided at military medical facilities.

On board the aircraft, Johnson had all his immediate medical needs administered by a crew of six National Guard medical personnel who constantly monitored his condition. In wartime, the 139th's mission is to provide medical evacuation and triage to forward-deployed troops.

"Specialist Johnson could not be in more capable hands," said Governor Pataki. "The military professionals of the 139th have earned a world-wide reputation for their excellence and professionalism."

In November of 1999, members of the 139th were instrumental in the Antarctic rescue of Dr. Jerri Nielsen, a National Science Foundation doctor stricken with cancer while working at the Foundation's South Pole research station. In fact, the mission to evacuate Specialist Johnson was commanded by Maj. Kim Terpening, the very same Medical Crew Director that flew on the South Pole Rescue.



Photos above: Members of the 139th Aeromedical Squadron at the Stratton Air National Guard base provide care to Spec. Dean Johnson for his transport to Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Johnson was critically injured in a motor vehicle accident assisting a disabled vehicle. Photos by Lt. Col. Paul Fanning.

One Family Plays Out Familiar Deployment Scene

By Senior Airman Paul Dean
HQ, 107th Air Refueling Wing

NIAGARA FALLS—A woman and two teenagers stand to the side of the line of airmen passing from station to station in the deployment processing line. The Air Guard members are leaving for two weeks; the family waits for a last chance to say goodbye to a husband and father who's leaving for 15 days.

This scene is played out thousands of times as airmen and soldiers are deployed throughout the nation and the world for training. There are the painful good-byes, the inconveniences of having the normal course of life disrupted. And there's something stranger: the fathers and mothers who encourage their children to choose this life-style and serve as National Guard citizen-soldiers.

The drizzle and chill of the March morning couldn't dampen the excitement of the event. Senior Master Sgt.

John Sobczynski had brought his family to the air base early. His wife, Christine, and children, Eric and Sarah, wanted to spend as much time with him before he left for Istres, France, that night. According to Sobczynski, he isn't deployed too often, but his family makes the best of it when he is. "[my family] gets a chance to see the base," he said. "The kids come up and sit at my desk. We always do it this way, we're a team."

Two weeks away may not seem so long in retrospect, but when it's in front of you it's quite different. "I'll miss him just not being here for anything we need," said Eric.

"Yeah, like opening a jar of sauce or something," daughter Sarah added, and then laughed.

Christine sees the team losing a key player in John's absence. "[John and the children] are partners in everything they do, all the time. They even do things together around the house; making and fixing things," she said.

After talking, smiling and laughing for a few minutes, Sobczynski receives his cue. It's time for the final briefing and



Senior Master Sgt. John Sobczynski enjoys some last-minute time together with family (L to R) Eric, Christine, and Sarah before deploying with the 107th Air Refueling Wing for an Air Expeditionary Force mission in France. The farewells will be repeated throughout the state's bases and armories this year. Courtesy Photo.

good-byes. The family gathered in a robust huddle, exchange good-byes, hugs, kisses, and genuine bursts of "I love you."

McDonald Selected Top 'First Shirt'

By Senior Airman Paul Dean
HQ, 107th Air Refueling Wing

NIAGARA FALLS—Master Sgt. Earl L. McDonald Jr. is a listener. "I let them talk until they peel away the layers of paint covering the real problem," he said in reference to one of his mentoring skills. McDonald makes himself available to listen 24 hours a day.

Availability, dedication, and his untiring efforts on behalf of the members of the 107th Civil Engineers Squadron have not gone unnoticed; McDonald was notified in February that he has been selected as the NYANG First Sergeant of the Year.

McDonald seems humbled by the honor. The recognition must be shared he said. "I couldn't have done this without my family at home. They're always there for me, always behind me. Even the children step-up when they find out that I have to leave again (on a deployment)," he said.

In fact, McDonald considers the 107th his second family. "When you decide to be a first sergeant, you have to give up your other family (while on duty) and put this one in front. My wife and children understand that." His oldest daughters, Kelly and Sarah, will understand completely in the near future; they're enlisting in the 107th. "I didn't have to persuade them to do it. They asked me some questions and then did their own research." Nonetheless, the smile on his face seems to tell how happy he is to have them as members of both families.

McDonald glows, seemingly full of pride, setting aside his accomplishments, as he tells a story about his wife's dedication to their military family. "She called to tell me about a problem with the washing machine, I told her a couple of things to try and called her back later. She knew I couldn't come home. She knew that I had this family to take care of then. Everything turned out fine," he said.

When McDonald's peers in the 107th heard of the award, none were surprised. "Earl is so dedicated. He's always here for his people. He gives it all for the people in his squadron," said First Sgt. William Cooper.

"Earl is the best, he's such a good communicator, such a good listener," said Master Sgt. Barbara Brooks.

In his off time, McDonald coaches youth softball in a non-competitive, instructional league. He sees many similarities between his actions as a coach and those of a first sergeant. "I sat down with (an airman) recently. It was amazing when he realized how far he'd come. I reminded him how we couldn't have had the same conversation just two years earlier. I'll drag them kicking and screaming, push and shove them with talking and listening until they realize all they can do," McDonald said.

But, just like most things in life, "we don't always succeed, there have been people that have failed, but I've done all I could to help them. I've let them talk and talk. I've tried to let them talk until we found their problems," he added.

After several years as a first sergeant, McDonald doesn't pretend to know it all, especially about leadership. "I go home at the end of each drill and evaluate the things that happened. I look at what I did and think about whether there was a better way," he said.

While home, McDonald is still on call. "My people know they can call me anytime. I'm always ready to help," he said.

According to Command Chief Master Sgt. Russell Burgstahler, "McDonald gives unselfishly of his personal time to ensure his squadron members are taken care of. He's very deserving of this award."

The award, his success, and the praise of his peers can be traced to one simple rule of life that McDonald strives to live



Master Sgt. Earl L. McDonald Jr., the New York Air National Guard's First Sergeant of the Year. Courtesy Photo.

by. "There is no substitute for hard work," he said of his accomplishments.

McDonald was selected as the First Sergeant of the Year for the 107th Air Refueling Wing and was entered in the statewide competition. He will now be considered in the selection of the top Air National Guard first sergeant in the nation.

War's Footprint: One Air Guard Member Can Make a Difference

By Staff Sgt. Martin Bannan
HQ, 109th Air Wing

KOSOVO, BOSNIA--As the fog lifts, armed US military vehicles roll into the war-torn village of Urosavec. They weave between gutted homes and rubble before driving into a church courtyard where anxious local refugees wait at the gate.

When the church gates open, the villagers enter, one family at a time. They walk to the back of a waiting truck where smiling Americans hold packages of donated goods from home. Suddenly, their agony turns to joy.

"We gave them clothes, shoes, candy and toys," said Maj. James Murphy, a flight nurse with the 139th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron here. "You should have seen the kids go nuts over the candy. It made their day."

Maj. Murphy returned home in March after a three-month rotation commanding the 52nd Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron stationed in the Serbian province of Kosovo. On the job, he spent his days flying between Macedonia and Kosovo, taking charge of air/medical facilities under his command. Off duty, he donated his time helping local citizens rebuild their lives.

"It seemed like everyone there lost either a family member, their home and possessions, or both," he said. "We could see stress and despair on their faces. Some people looked as though they aged 25 years overnight," Maj. Murphy stated emphatically, adding that smoke always filled the air as homeless refugees burned whatever they could find to keep warm.

Without shelter, many were ill from exposure. Maj. Murphy recalled a 69-year-old woman with pneumonia who came in out of the cold wearing only a sweater. "She was shivering," he said. "As we handed her a donated winter jacket, she leaned over and kissed our hands. I don't know if she ever pulled through."

When U.S. and other NATO peacekeeping forces first arrived in Kosovo last year, they saw the devastation and sent word home to friends and relatives

asking for clothes and blankets. "It was an informal arrangement," Maj. Murphy said. "The donations trickled in, but the suffering continued."

Maj. Murphy had seen all of this before. Having previously gone to Bosnia, and twice to the Persian Gulf, he had already

helped refugees and knew their plight. Each time he deployed, he got more involved.

"I volunteered to go to Bosnia as a nurse," he said. "But, when I got there, the commander greeted me saying, 'I'm leaving this week, and you're the next highest in rank.' I first took a big gulp of air but then realized I now had some authority to help people. On the next trip, I put in for command."

Arriving in Kosovo in December, Maj. Murphy linked up with his executive officer, Maj. Phil McClean from California, and got to work. "Maj. McClean had been there a while and knew his way around," he said. "He helped me get as much support as I needed."

Relief goods were collected and loaded for delivery to a Roman Catholic Church in Urosavec. "We sent word to the priests and nuns that we were coming," Maj. Murphy said. "They quietly gathered refugees and brought them to the church. Non-Catholic villagers were also gathered. It all went quite orderly."

Progress was slow until Maj. Murphy had an idea. He decided to get his family involved. "I thought it would be a great way for us to keep in touch," he said. He then e-

mailed his neighbor, and former college classmate, Scotia/Glenville School District Superintendent Mike Marcelle, for help.

"I asked Mike if he could organize a Kosovo children's relief drive for my son Luke's first-grade class," he said. Marcelle liked the idea and expanded the project to involve children and staff from both Lincoln and Sacandaga Elementary Schools.

The school children collected nearly 100 boxes while the local PTA paid for shipping. "To keep the interest going, I took photos of the refugees with my digital camera and e-mailed them home to the kids," said Murphy.

Marcell noted that the children loved the photos and were thrilled to make a difference. "It's a wonderful idea for them to help other children who live more than 1,000 miles away."

Back in the states, Maj. Murphy no longer hands out parcels but still urges everyone to help. "On some trips, we didn't have enough for everyone," he said. As we drove away, the unlucky ones still waved goodbye, hoping they might get something next time. It was sad because all I could do was wave back."

Armory Maintainer Honored After 20 Years

Guard Times Staff

BUFFALO—New York State Director of Facilities Management and Engineering presented the "Ray Peters Memorial Award for the Outstanding Employee of the Year" for Western New York to Ms. Mary Martin. The March 7th ceremony was held at Ms. Martin's Connecticut Street Armory where she supervises maintenance and improvement projects.



Mr. Ray Carmody, HUB Superintendent District D, presents the "Ray Peters Memorial Award for the Outstanding Employee of the Year of District D" to Ms. Mary Martin. Courtesy Photo.

The award, presented annually to recognize the district's most notable employee, is named for retired Army National Guard Sgt. Major Ray Peters, Superintendent for the District who died in 1998. "Ray initiated this award program to recognize the workers in the field," said Mr. Walt Diermyer, the District Maintenance Supervisor. "We continue this award to honor those employees who work every day to make the state's armories the best facilities possible for members of the National Guard."

Ms. Martin began her career maintaining National Guard armories as a New York State employee in January 1981. Over the past 19 years she supported three different facilities in Western New York, including Niagara Falls, Tonawanda at the Connecticut Street armories.

Over her two decades of service, Ms. Martin's main responsibilities included the cleaning and painting programs to keep the armories in the best condition possible. She supervised the workfare programs at the sites to bring in state employees to assist the armory improvement projects.

"Years back, armories like Connecticut Street would have one or two painters on staff full-time. Mary did a great job in getting that entire painted last year, getting it done herself with the workfare staff," Diermyer said.

The Western New York/Fingerlakes region District D is comprised of 17 armories from Buffalo to Ithaca. Of these armories, the four superintendents nominate their employees for the award and then vote on the appropriate recipient.

Firefighters 'Suit Up' for Training with Guard's Civil Support Detachment

By Capt. Richard Goldenberg
Guard Times Staff

NASSAU, NY—Members of New York's 2nd Civil Support Detachment for Weapons of Mass Destruction (CSD WMD) arrived in upstate New York's Rensselaer County this April for training with a unique variation. This exercise would directly involve the local first responders.

The joint National Guard unit is part of the Department of Defense terrorism response strategy and is responsible for assisting local emergency responders in the event of suspected Chemical, Biological, or Radiological threats. The 22-member detachment supports the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Region Two in New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.

The employment of the CSD as a National Guard asset translates to rapid response and

local assistance to firefighters, law enforcement, and medical first responders to the scene of suspected terrorist attack or "incident." The CSD is trained to quickly assess a hazardous site, identify the agent and recommend courses of action to reduce the threat.

The scenario in the town of Nassau involved a fugitive who fled law enforcement officials and dropped suspected chemical or biological agents in the woods near the town. Arriving on the scene and suspecting hazards beyond their capability of hazardous material response, Nassau firefighters notified the state through emergency management channels. Within hours, detachment commander Lt. Col. Robert Dominici and the team arrived from homestation at Glenville's Stratton Air National Guard Base.

"We only knew that there was going to be an exercise somewhere in our territory sometime today," said Dominici, "We did not know the location or the circumstances, and this tests us, but more importantly, lets local emergency officials work with us."

Although a training exercise, the event was a full rehearsal for the first responders from the county's



A CSD decontamination team member reviews unit equipment for firefighting personnel at April's training exercise. The event was the team's first opportunity to train with local first responders. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg.



Nassau Fire Captain Rich Brown (at right) goes through the decontamination line with the National Guard's CSD while fellow fire fighters observe the training. The exercise gave local first responders the chance to interact with the terrorism response team in their assessment and response to the potential terrorist use of weapons of mass destruction. Photo by Spec. Jake Montésano.

Hoags Corners and Town of Nassau fire departments. Emergency medical technicians, law enforcement, and fire officials converged on the incident site to coordinate the threat hazard and safeguard the local civilian population.



Nassau Fire Captain Rich Brown receives last minute instructions from CSD personnel before moving to the decon line. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg.

"It's important to have them really understand our role and be able to stand in our shoes and go through it all," remarked the detachment executive officer, Major Tom Mason. When deployed, the CSD works under the operational control of the local civilian incident commander. Familiarity of capabilities and coordination lead to more effective operations with civil authorities.

"Something like this represents a whole new ballgame for us," said Nassau Fire Captain Rich Brown after completing the detachment's decontamination. "Learning how to do it and practicing it with this team is really beneficial."



A survey team member of the CSD collects a sample of the training hazard. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg.

Force on Force Training Sharpens

SOMEWHERE IN CORTINA – The burst of artillery shells shattered the silence of the cold night. American infantrymen, some with night vision goggles projecting from under their helmets, crept to the edge of the tree-line that circled the abandoned village. A soaring parachute flare cast beams of light that shredded the blanket of darkness around the objective. The flare descended to the east. Shadows raced across the snow and frozen mud of the main street which divided the village into two rows of bombed-out buildings. The Americans believed that one of these buildings housed an impromptu meeting of the guerillas' key leaders – a rare target.

American machine gunners began to rake the north side of the hamlet. Their fellow riflemen and grenadiers then encircled the objective in two pincers. Charlie Company's executive officer, First Lt. Scott George, of Arlington, Virginia, led Third Platoon to the village edge from the northwest, providing small arms fire and the parachute flare in order to deceive the guerillas' security force into believing that the attack was coming from the west. These efforts enabled Second Platoon, led by Staff Sgt. Edwin Sanchez of Queens, New York, to slip into the village undetected from the east and gain a foothold in the hamlet without

firing a shot. Sanchez's men soon received fire, however, from the woodline to the south from a guerilla security



Sgt. Edgar Cuebas directs Spec. Jason Guido to fire his M60 machine gun into an engagement area in order to repel the guerillas' night raid. Courtesy Photo.

force returning from a patrol. The lead squad leader, Sgt. Ramon Rivera, also of Queens, New York, directed his men's fire into the tree-line, destroying the patrol. Sgt. Rivera's squad then continued the assault, clearing rooms and buildings, killing guerillas who offered resistance.

The Americans' ammunition soon ran low, resulting in a growing number of casualties and a loss of momentum in reaching the last building. When Rivera led his last combat-effective fire team into that structure and cleared it, however, he found no guerilla leaders, only a few enemy corpses. Their ammunition nearly gone, the Americans could not pursue the surviving enemy who were escaping into the network of creek beds and dirt roads to the west. The company consolidated its survivors near the initial foothold building and readied to evacuate casualties and prisoners.

The company commander later learned that the report of guerilla leadership in the village had been disinformation, leaked by Marxist cadres operating in nearby towns under American control. By releasing phony intelligence, the guerillas had hoped to draw the light infantry company patrolling the sector into the burned-out village, into the open of the main thoroughfare if possible, and destroy them there. As evidenced by number of lifeless guerilla bodies strewn across the village's main thoroughfare, Third Platoon's feint and Second Platoon's assault ultimately disrupted the guerillas' plan.

Infantrymen and Cadets Team Up for Combined Training



Capt. Christopher Coglianese, a Regular Army trainer assigned to the 27th Brigade, supports a squad's pre-combat rehearsal of its prisoner-of-war search procedure by posing as a captured guerilla fighter. The advice and mentoring from the Active Army trainers provides the foundation for Company After-Action Reviews (AARs) and training improvements. Courtesy Photo.

By First Lt. Vincent G. Heintz
1st Battalion, 105th Infantry

FORT DIX, NJ – Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 105th Infantry (Light), launched its night attack on the abandoned village not in a real conflict, but while readying for real conflict. During two weekends in February and March 2000, the sandy pine flats of Ft. Dix served as barren rural areas of the notional Republic of Cortina. In Cortina, a struggling Allied democracy threatened from within by the Cortinian Liberation Front (or CLF), a Marxist guerilla movement skilled in tactics reminiscent of the Viet Cong, from car bomb attacks to hit-and-run ambushes. The scenario aimed to replicate training exercises that Charlie Company and the rest of the 27th Enhanced Readiness Brigade will undergo in 2001 during a deployment to the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) at Fort Polk, LA. Charlie Company pitted itself against a full compliment of CLF "guerillas" in the form of nearly fifty Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) cadets from the Dragon Battalion, based at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

Under the leadership of MAJ Eric Schaertl, a Regular Army infantry officer who spent two years as an observed controller (OC) at the JRTC, the ROTC cadets studied CLF tactics and incorporated them into operations designed to counter Charlie Company's missions. The force-on-force scenario permitted the Guardsmen to fight against a trained, dedicated, fully manned and equipped, and highly motivated enemy, and allowed the cadets to conduct troop leading procedures and execute infantry missions under a tight time schedule against a similarly dedicated opponent. The cadets also received hand-on experience with night vision technology and the multiple integrated laser engagement system (MILES).

The February exercise involved Charlie Company conducting movement to contact in order to destroy the CLF who, when engaged, effectively broke contact, drawing the Guardsmen into a dense network of creek beds where a close-in firefight ended without clear decision. February

Leader Skills for Guard and ROTC



Second Platoon Non-Commissioned Officer leaders conduct final brief-backs before launching their attack against CLF guerillas. The guerillas, drawn from the ranks of ROTC cadets from Drexel University, established ambush sites for one of Charlie Company's rifle platoons. The cadets participated in the 105th Infantry training exercise to prepare for a Joint Readiness Training Center deployment next year. Courtesy Photo.

also saw the Guardsmen conduct the night attack on the abandoned village defended by the Drexel cadets described above.

In March, both forces built on the lessons learned in February. Charlie Company defended a command/control/communications (C3) node controlling friendly air operations at a flight landing strip. The defense of the facility required Charlie Company to conduct patrols, construct obstacles and man a roadblock/checkpoint along the main avenue of approach into the airstrip.

The checkpoint/roadblock aspect of the mission was particularly challenging for infantry soldiers used to hiding in the woodline and viewing the battlefield in terms of good guys and bad guys. Staff Sgt. Sanchez noted how some of his men were uncomfortable at first with standing upright on a road, searching vehicles and being polite to persons who, for all they knew, were packing a car bomb. Precisely because these missions are delicate, dangerous and contrary to the way infantrymen think, Charlie Company will integrate them into as many future collective training scenarios as possible.

The day phase of the March mission required the ROTC cadets to employ land navigation, camouflage and reconnaissance techniques in order to pinpoint the C3 node, the target of the attack they later launched at night. Small skirmishes flared during the day as CLF recon teams infiltrated into Charlie Company's sector. It was not until 2330 hours, however, that the real battle began, when a Charlie Company security patrol clashed with the cadets' leaders reconnaissance patrol in a meeting engagement.

While it took several moments for the two squad-sized forces to react to each other, the Guardsmen fired first, inflicting some casualties, and then broke contact and

headed toward their first battle position. There they consolidated and evacuated their wounded platoon leader, Staff Sgt. LaTorre. Then the Guardsmen broke contact again under the cover of PV2 Jonathan Silberstein's M60 machine gun, and funneled through a concertina obstacle marked with chem lights—a maneuver designed to lure the attacking guerilla force into an engagement area on a reverse slope.

The cadets reacted to the meeting engagement by executing a well-rehearsed contingency plan that enabled them to move to the objective area despite the loss of key leaders. The ensuing firefight saw both the cadet and Guard forces executing bold flanking maneuvers, and ended in what appeared to be a draw.

During separate after action reviews (AARs), the cadets and the infantrymen reviewed the details of their respective missions, identifying strengths and weaknesses.

Capt. Christopher Coglianese, a Regular Army infantry officer assigned to the 27th Brigade's Training Support Battalion, served as an Observer Controller/Training during the February exercise, and stated the following: "The training provided an opportunity for Charlie Company to fight against an external foe. This had numerous benefits. First, the company was able to field its units intact. Normally, a company must create OPFOR out of hide, or use its mortar section, a particularly bad technique, as the mortars are not training on their MOS-specific skills, and the company cannot use them to provide indirect fires. By not having to create an OPFOR, unit cohesion was developed and enhanced. Second, by fighting an external foe, competitiveness was enhanced. Soldiers were truly fighting for their unit and not against guys who are in another squad or platoon. Soldiers want to win, and do not want to be embarrassed against someone from another outfit. This is

one of the unspoken cornerstones of the dedicated OPFOR at the Combat Training Centers (CTCs), including JRTC. Third, and most important, the exercise was force-on-force free play. Each side sought to win, and there was no predetermined victor as is common in some training. This methodology is critical to developing intelligent soldiers capable of dealing with a fluid battlefield against a thinking, competitive enemy. Both the ROTC cadets, as future officers, and the National Guard infantrymen, as a legitimate go-to-war unit, experienced the friction and uncertainty of combat against a free-thinking enemy determined to win."

The leadership potential of one of Charlie Company's enlisted soldiers was recognized when the Army Achievement Medal (AAM) was awarded to Spec. Kenneth Harvey of Elizabeth, New Jersey. During both exercises, Spec. Harvey ably performed sergeant's work as an acting team leader, particularly in March, when he effectively maneuvered his fire team during the night meeting engagement with the CLF leaders' reconnaissance patrol, and when he controlled his platoon's machine gunners during the complex maneuver of breaking contact and moving through the wire obstacle to supplementary positions.

The March operation also served as a recruiting event, with four civilian prospects observing the infantrymen in both day and night phases of the defense. The potential recruits participated in reconnaissance, watched concertina obstacles being constructed, listened-in on AAR's and even got first-hand experience in the consumption of Meals, Ready-to-Eat (MRE's). As a result of attending the exercise, all of the potential recruits expressed enhanced interest in enlisting. One of the civilians, a student at State University of New York at Farmingdale, described the March exercise: "Awesome. Especially the night attack. It was awesome."

The light infantrymen of Charlie Company and the cadets of the Dragon Battalion look forwarding to joint training exercises in the future.



Sgt. Kerryn Jack rehearses his fire team in movement techniques before entering "the box" to battle the CLF opposing force. Charlie Company conducted the two exercises to refine battle drills in operations other than war (OOTW). Courtesy Photo.

Local Sailor Named Naval Reservist of the Year

By Junior Officer Second Class Dan Meaney
Syracuse Naval Reserve Center

SYRACUSE — Navy Petty Officer First Class Melody K. Solyian of Binghamton was recently named as the Naval Reserve Readiness Command Region One Reserve Sailor of the Year for 2000, and will be formally recognized at a ceremony at the Naval Reserve Center in Syracuse on March 12.

Presiding over the ceremony was the Reserve Center's Commanding Officer, and Master Chief Petty Officer John Dickinson. Master Chief Dickinson is the senior Enlisted member of the Reserve community in the Northeast, and is stationed at the Naval Reserve Readiness Command in Newport, Rhode Island.

Petty Officer Solyian was selected for this honor from a group of 17 top Sailors from all eight states in the Northeast region of the Naval Reserve Command. She was then

considered for the nation's top reserve honors in a competition that commenced on March 15 at the reserve headquarters in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Lieutenant Commander Greg Tiemann, Commanding Officer of the Naval Reserve Center in Syracuse attributed this significant achievement to Petty Officer Solyian's professionalism and dedication. "I know the Naval Reserves has no finer representative than Petty Officer Solyian. She is an



Petty Officer First Class Melody K. Solyian receives her award as the Naval Reserve's Command Region One Year 2000 Reserve Sailor of the Year. As the second Syracuse area reservist to receive the award in two years, she will compete for the Navy's Reserve Sailor of the Year in New Orleans later this spring. Presenting Solyian the award is Lt. Cdr. Greg Tiemann, commander of the Reserve Center. Courtesy Photo.

exceptional asset to her community, this Reserve Center and the Navy," he said.

In the Navy, Petty Officer Solyian is a Store Keeper First Class assigned to the Cargo Afloat Rig Team (CART), Detachment A401 Reserve Unit, whose mission is the underway replenishment of Navy ships at sea.

This is the second year in a row that the Region One Reserve Sailor of the Year has been selected from Naval Reserve Center Syracuse and the CART Unit; an unprecedented accomplishment.

Ms. Solyian, who is an elementary school teacher at the Benjamin Franklin Elementary School in Binghamton, remains active in her community in addition to her responsibilities of being a drilling reservist.

Over the past 12 months, she instructed a four week workshop for first through third grade teachers; volunteered extensively for the American Red Cross, her church and school; participated in six Navy Exercises; was promoted to First Class Petty Officer and received her second Navy Achievement Medal. Additionally, she finds time to attend Syracuse University and is nearing the completion of her second Master's Degree.

While the past year has been very busy for her, Petty Officer Solyian has thoroughly enjoyed it. "What I love most about the Naval Reserves are the associations and friendships that I've made," she commented. "I know that they will last a lifetime, and my many experiences have been great. I've been in the Reserves 13 years now and have traveled all through Europe and the United States. I want to go the Far East next and after that... who knows!"

The Naval Reserve Center Syracuse is located at 5803 East Molloy Road and hosts approximately 390 Naval Reservists in 16 Naval Reserve Units. Most members reside in Oswego, Onondaga, Madison, Oneida, Tompkins, Schuyler, Jefferson, Cayuga and Delaware counties.

Navy Hosts 'Breakfast With the Boss'



By Lt. Cdr. Greg Tiemann
Syracuse Naval Reserve Center

SYRACUSE — The Naval Reserves, Marine Corps, and Central New York Employer Support for the Guard and Reserves (ESGR) Council jointly hosted "Breakfast With the Boss" aboard the Naval Reserve Center in Syracuse April 28th.

The event was attended by more than 50 Central New York area bosses and supervisors of Navy and Marine Corps Reservists, and provided an excellent opportunity for employers to get a first hand view of the types of operations that Reservists support.

Major General Paul Schempp (US Air Force, Ret.), Vice Chairman of the ESGR Council noted the importance of the roles that Guardsmen and Reservists play. "Today, a full half of this nation's complement of service members are

Guardsmen or Reservists; who contributed 13 million mandays of contributory support to their active duty counterparts in 1999," he said. "Our Guardsmen can't begin to provide such significant support without the full backing of their employers. That cooperative spirit is one of the things that makes this country so great," he added.

In the event's grand finale, the reservists presented four "My Boss is a Patriot" awards to selected employers for notable achievement in support to the local sailors. One award recipient, Mr. Michael Pisacano of the ONEIDA School District noted that "it wasn't until the Gulf War that I realized how significant the roles that the two Reservists assigned to me actually are, and how important their service is to this country's national security."



93rd Regiment Corps of Cadets Hosts 'Safe Night'

Guard Times Staff

GLENS FALLS—On Friday 3 March, 2000 the New York National Guard Corps of Cadets 93rd Regiment co-sponsored a safe night event with members of the Army National Guard's 105th Infantry in their armory located at 147 Warren Street in Glens Falls NY. This event was tailored after the original event that was held back in the early 1990's.

The event theme for the evening was "Stay Away from Drugs and Violence". This message was put out in a variety of ways from Static Displays, a Poster Contest, Team Building Exercises, a skit performed by a local youth theater group called Teen View. There was also music, dancing, card games, as well as ping pong and basketball tournaments.

The 93rd Parents Association spearheaded by Polly Booska, Ginger Martindale, and Jane Mason provided food and beverages for all at the event. There were many businesses and other groups that assisted with this event but it was mainly planned out by the Cadets and facilitated by the adults.

This whole event came about when Staff Sgt. Frank White, the Regimental Administrator was approached by Christine Gala and Dave Shippee who work with the Warren / Washington County Council for Prevention and the Counties' Cornell Cooperative Extension respectively.

Staff Sgt. White thought that having the Cadets involved with setting up a multi-county safe night event would be a great

learning experience for them. He also figured it to be a great way for the 93rd to give back to the same communities that gave support to the program in Glens Falls since its inception in February of 1999.

"For it really to be a success," noted Christine Gala, of the Warren and Washington Counties Council for Prevention, "you've



Teens compete in a basketball tournament at the Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 108th Infantry Armory's Safe Night 2000. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg.

got to ask the kids themselves and discover what they want."

The idea was brought up at the Parents Association meeting and the parents and cadets agreed to tackle the event. Cadets from the 93rd who played a major part of the planning were Cadet Commander Melissa Fischler, Cadet Platoon Sgt. Steven Booska, Cadet Corporal Brandon Barrow, and Cadets Tracy Martindale and Jeffery Tenner.

The original planning that started in November last year was well worth the effort as Safe Night 2000 was a great success: Students from more than nine different schools across three counties attended the event. There were over 200 personnel present during the course of the evening. "We have had a lot of donations from area businesses for game prizes and refreshments," said Staff Sgt. White.

Prizes with a net value worth over \$2,000 were distributed amongst the attendees for participation in various games. The top prizes included two \$150 Gift Certificates for the local mall.

Jason Caldwell, 13, of Glens Falls thought that the evening of basketball Buffalo wings was a success. "I'd come here every day if I could," he said. All of the youth stated that they hoped for a Safe Night 2001 so they could bring their friends.

Staff Sgt. White also reported that he picked up ten new Cadets for the 93rd from the event. He also received numerous phone calls from parents throughout the Glens Falls area who wish to have their children be part of an organization that stresses the importance of staying substance and violence free and working together as a team to achieve a common goal.



Corps of Cadets teens enjoy tabletop soccer and other athletic competitions and games for the Glens Falls Safe Night 2000. Nearly 200 parents and teens attended the event at the armory. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg.

ChalleNGe Visits Rainbow HQs

By First Lt. David M. Douglas
HQ, 42^d Infantry Division

TROY—Fourteen ChalleNGe members visited the 42^d ID (Mech) Headquarters for April's drill weekend. These young men and women from various backgrounds were given the opportunity to work hand in hand with Guard soldiers in a variety of career fields.

"The corps members learned a lot about what it means to be part of a team while learning about the Guard and all it has to offer to young men and women," said Master Sgt. Carmine Franco, a full-time employee with the ChalleNGe program at Camp Smith. Franco, a traditional guard member with the Rainbow Division's Troy Headquarters, coordinated the visit for the Challenge corps members from Camp Smith in Peekskill.



A ChalleNGe member assumes the "front leaning rest." Photo by First Lt. Dave Douglas

The ChalleNGe members all participated in the Army Physical Fitness Test, which tests the overall fitness and endurance of soldiers. "Considering this is the first time they've had the opportunity to participate in this type of Physical Fitness Test, I would say that they did very well and should be commended on a job well done," noted company First Sgt. Thomas DeFelice. Additionally, the corps members had an opportunity to meet with Brig. General. George Garrett, the Commanding General of the Rainbow Division and ask him questions about the division and its nearly one hundred year history.



Master Sgt. Carmine Franco administers the physical fitness test to corpsmembers of the ChalleNGe program at the Rainbow Division Headquarters in Troy, NY. The ChalleNGe members participated in the weekend's drill training and met with Brig. General George Garrett, the Division Commander. Photo by First Lt. Dave Douglas.

"They were very excited about working alongside and learning from the members of the 42^d," said Master Sgt. Franco. "They even asked if it would be all right if they came back another drill weekend."

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BECKY L. STRATHEARN	COB(-) 427TH SPT BN	RAFAEL A. FERNANDEZ	SERVICE BTRY 1-258TH FA	THOMAS O. MCABEE III	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF
DAVID A. STUART II	DET 1 HHC 1-108TH INF	JOSEPH F. FISCHER	DET 1 HHC 1-127TH ARMOR	TIMOTHY I. MCABEE	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF
JOHN A. SWANSON JR	CO A 1-127TH ARMOR	DESMOND FREDERICK	SERVICE BTRY 1-258TH FA	GREGORY MCCLELLAN	HHC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)
JAMES N. SYLVESTER	DET 1 138TH MPAD	MICHAEL S. FURNARE	H & S CO 204 ENGR BN	PENELOPE MCCLENAN	COB 642D SUPPORT BN
MICHAEL TOBEN	HHC 1-101ST CAVALRY	NATHAN M. GARLAND	29TH PERS SERVICE DET	PAUL G. MCCracken	COC 152D ENGINEER BN
MARLON J. TORRES	133D MAINTENANCE CO	JACK E. GIBBS	DET 1 COC 2 BN 108 INF	CRAIG D. MCNABB	DET 1 442D MP
JULIE L. TOWLE	105 MP CO (-)	AMY M. GILCRIST	HHC 152D ENGINEER BN	JOSEPH A. MENESES III	133D MAINTENANCE CO
WILFREDO VARGAS	HHD 369TH CORPS SPT BN	SHELLEY A. GILCRIST	HHC 152D ENGINEER BN	JAMES F. MITCHELL JR	DET 1 CO A 2 BN 108 INF
OSVALDO L. VAZQUEZ	CO A 1-127TH ARMOR	DAVID M. GLIDDEN	COB 1-108TH INF	MARTINE. MOLINARES	HHC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)
JENNIFER E. VENIE	4TH PERSONNEL SVC DET	GERMAN E. GONZALEZ	CO A 1-101ST CAVALRY	CARLOS E. MORALES	HHC(-) 107TH SPT GROUP
WILLIAM J. VERNOLD	DET 1 CO A 204 ENGR BN	ISAAC R. GRAHAM	BTRY A 1 BN 156 FA	FRANK MORTILLARO	CO A 642D SUPPORT BN
KEVIN D. VILARDO	DET 2 CO A 2 BN 108 INF	GARY S. GRANA JR	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF	MELANIE A. MOTEL	DET 1 HHC 27TH INBDE
KEVIN T. WEBER	COC 152D ENGINEER BN	JAMES D. GRAY II	133D MAINTENANCE CO	KELLY J. MURRAY	COB(-) 427TH SPT BN
VINCENT D. WESTBROOK	HHC 1-142DAVIATION	RICHARD N. GREENBLATT	DET 1 CO A 1-108TH INF	KIMBERLY M. NAGELL	DET 1 HHC 27TH INBDE
KELLY M. WOLLENBERG	HHC 427TH SPT BN	CHRISTOPHER GRIECO	HHC AVNBDE 42 INDIV	LUKE V. NARDONE	BTRY A 1 BN 156 FA
RICHARD C. WORTMANN	CO C 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	ROBERTO GRIJALVA	CO A 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	ANGEL NEVAREZ	DET 1 COC 204TH EN BN
DALE I. ZIMMER	COC(-) 1-108TH INF	MILTON H. GUEVARA	COC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	PATRICK L. NOLLES	DET 1 HHC 27TH INBDE
DANIEL E. ZLOTEK	CO B 152D ENGINEER BN	ROBINSON GUZMAN	145TH MAINTENANCE CO	GARTH D. ORBINO	HHC(-) 1-108TH INF
DAVID M. ZOERB	CO A 1-127TH ARMOR	JOSEPH D. HALEY	HHC 1-105TH INF	JOSILYNORTIZ	442D MP CO (-)
DARRICK J. ZWACK	CO A (-) 204 ENGR BN	CINDY J. HALL	CO A 342D FWD SPT BN	PATRICK J. OSIKA	SPT PLT 152D ENGINEER BN
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		MARC E. HANER	COB 1-108TH INF	KENYON B. PARLOR JR	HHC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)

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MARTA M. PEREZ	133D MAINTENANCE CO	NYRISHA A. BECKMAN	HHC 152D ENGINEER BN	TAMICA L. JOHNSON	SPTPLT 152D ENGINEER BN
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EDWARD T. PERSON	HHC 2 BN 108 INF	NOAH J. BENTZ	HHC 2 BN 108 INF	EDWARD T. JONES	CO D 1-101ST CAVALRY
PATRICIA I. PHILOTENE	DET 1 CO C 204TH EN BN	LAURYN Y. BERMUDEZ	145TH MAINTENANCE CO	YOUNG H. JUNG	H & S CO 204 ENGR BN
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JAMES B. PRENTICE	COC 1-127TH ARMOR	DENNIS C. BORKOWSKI JR	CO B 1-108TH INF	LAWRENCE M. KAPLE	HHC 1-105TH INF
CHRISTIAN RAMOS	CO E 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	MICHAEL A. BOUGHTON	HHC (-) 1-108TH INF	JOHN M. KEEL	HHC (-) 1-127TH ARMOR
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TAMIKA L. RICHARDSON	CO B (-) 2 BN 108 INF	CHRISTOPHER D. BREWER	DET 2 CO C 2 BN 108 INF	TERRENCE M. KRAUS	COC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)
TOBY M. RICOZZI	BTRY A 1 BN 156 FA	STEVE V. BRIDWELL	CO C (-) 1 BN 105 INF	WILLIAM E. KUHNS II	COD 1-108TH INF
NATHALIE RIOBE	DET 7 STARC (1 BN 53RD TC)	JEREMY O. BROOKS	BTRY A 1 BN 156 FA	JOHANNA A. LANDRY	COC (-) 427TH SPT BN
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PHILLIP A. RIZZO JR	DET 1 CO A 1-108TH INF	JOSHUA D. CLOPTON	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF	BRIAN T. LUCAS	CO A 1-127TH ARMOR
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GREGORY D. ROSALES	HHC 1-101ST CAVALRY	JOHN M. COLLINS	COD 1-108TH INF	NICHOLAS W. MAROU	HHC 1-142D AVIATION
RAFAEL A. ROSARIO	DET 1 1569TH TRANSCO	DAVID A. CONDE	DET 1 CO C 1-105 INF	JUSTIN W. MARRERO	HHD ENGINEER BDE 42ID
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ELISE M. SCHMITT	HHC AVN BDE 42 INDIV	FRANCIS M. CORTES	HHC 3D BDE 42ID	BOBBIE J. MATHYS	CO B 342D FWD SPT BN
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BRIAN S. SMITH	HHC 3-142D AVIATION	ANTONIO J. DAMATO	TROOPE 101ST CAVALRY	DOUGLAS J. MIRRO	CO A 642D SUPPORT BN
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RON G. TAYLOR	HSC (-) 642D SUPPORT BN	JAMES L. DONOHUE	CO B 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	ADINA S. MOSSA	COC (-) 427TH SPT BN
BLESSANT THOMAS	CO C (-) 1 BN 105 INF	ERIN V. DRIESSEN	HHC 42 INDIV (-)	JAMILEH K. MOUAWAD	HHC 3-142D AVIATION
BRAD M. THOMAS	CO B (-) 204 EN BN (CBTHVY)	MARK J. DUDENHFFER	CO B 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	CARRIE M. MOUSSEAU	DET 1 CO C 427TH SPT BN
CHRISTOPHER M. THOMAS	SERVICE BTRY 1-258TH FA	JAMI J. ELLEMAN	HHC (-) 27TH IN BDE	TRAVIS C. MUHLNICKEL	HHC (-) 1-108TH INF
MICHAEL G. THOMAS	HHC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	MATTHEW C. ESTES	BTRY A 1 BN 156 FA	PAUL A. MULLIGAN	DET 2 CO C 2 BN 108 INF
DANIEL J. THOMPSON III	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF	NICOLAS S. FAUST	HHS (-) 1-156 FA	MARION NELSON	CO E 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)
PAMELA J. TOAL	DET 1 CO A 427TH SPT BN	TIMOTHY B. FAY	CO A 642D SUPPORT BN	NATHAN A. OBIT	COD (-) 2-108 INF
JESUS M. TORRESGAETAN	HHC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	AMANDA L. FITCH	107TH MP CO (-)	JOSHUA R. OSTERHOUDT	HHS (-) 1-156 FA
BRYAN J. VANAPELDORN	HHC 1-105TH INF	MICHAEL J. FOX	CO B 1-108TH INF	RICHARD G. OSTRANDER	HHC 1-105TH INF
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PEDRO P. VENTURA	HHC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	MARY J. FULLER	HHC 1-142D AVIATION	KEVIN M. PALMER	DET 1 HHC 1-108TH INF
ELVIN J. VIZCARRONDO	CO A 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	BENJAMIN J. GEMZA	HHC (-) 1-127TH ARMOR	JASON A. PANEPINTO	HHC 1-142D AVIATION
TYRONE D. WALKER	COC 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	CARI L. GERTZ	COC 152D ENGINEER BN	ERIC M. PARDY	DET 1 CO A 152D ENBN
LEWIS K. WATERHOUSE II	COD 1-142 AVIATION	DAVID J. GILLESPIE	HHC (-) 1-108TH INF	OTTLEY J. PARRIS	HHC 1-258TH FA
CHARLIE WATTS	HHC 1-258TH FA	CARLO T. GIORDANO	COD 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)	JAMES P. PAYNE	CO B 1-127TH ARMOR
PAWEL WIELGOSINSKI	DET 1 CO C 1-105 INF	MARLONGIRALDORAMIREZ	COC (-) 1 BN 105 INF	CORY W. PECK	CO B 342D FWD SPT BN
ERNEST C. WILLIAMS	COD 1-105 INF	ILEANA R. GONZALEZ	37TH FINANCE DET	EDWIN PELAEZ	CO B 1-69TH INFANTRY (M)
ARETHA A. WILLIS	HHC 152D ENGINEER BN	JAMES W. GRADY	TROOPE 101ST CAVALRY	ENRIQUE PENA	CO B 1-108TH INF
BROONY A. WILSON	CO A 642D SUPPORT BN	KEVIN E. GRAF	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF	VON A. PENA	CO B 3-142D AVIATION
CLEVELAND S. WILSON JR	CO C (-) 342D FWD SPT BN	IRA L. GRIFFIN	1569TH TRANSCO (-)	VICTOR M. PEREZ	SPTPLT 152D ENGINEER BN
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MICHAEL E. WOOD	BTRY C 1 BN 156 FA	APRIL A. GUARDI	107TH MP CO (-)		
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		DONNA M. HARRIS	HHD 27TH FINANCE BN		
		THOMAS A. HAZARD	CO D 1-101ST CAVALRY		
		DAUSHELA HENDERSON	HHS (-) 1-156 FA		
		BRIAN D. HERBIG	HHC (-) 1-108TH INF		
		BRANDON L. HEWITT	CO A (-) 1-108TH INF		
		QUENTIN G. HODGE	COC 1-127TH ARMOR		
		RINOL F. HODGE	CO B 230TH SIGNAL BN		
		MARIA T. HYNES	HHC 152D ENGINEER BN		
		JENNIFER E. IM	HHS (-) 1-156 FA		
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 ANITA ASANTEWIREDU HHC 152D ENGINEER BN
 AMBER M. BARTON HHC 42 INDIV (-)
 KENNETH E. BASSARATH 10TH TRANS (HWY REGPT)
 CHARLES W. BATEMAN CO B 1-108TH INF
 CHRISTOPHER D. BEAVER BTRY C 1 BN 156 FA



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 JOSEPH R. PINIEWSKI JR. COC 1-127TH ARMOR
 COURTNEY A. QUIGG 642D MIBN
 MICHAEL J. QUINN HHC 1-101ST CAVALRY
 IVETTER AMIREZ HHD 27TH FINANCE BN
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 DANIEL W. RICHARDS BTRY A 1 BN 156 FA
 FELIX RIOS 37TH FINANCE DET
 EDGARDO RIVERA DET 1 CO A 427TH SPT BN
 SAMIA RIVERA COB 1-108TH INF
 STEPHEN A. ROBINSON HHC 1-101ST CAVALRY
 SHAWN M. ROCHE HHS (-) 1-156 FA
 KEVIN L. ROGERS JR. COD 1-108TH INF
 AVIS A. ROMANOWSKI HHD STARC (-) NY ARNG
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 NAVAJA L. ROWE DET 1 COB 1-105TH INF
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 GAVIN G. STACKHOUSE COD 1-108TH INF
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Do You Know Your National Guard Trivia?

Guard Times Staff

Here are the answers to last issue's New York National Guard Quiz. The New York State Military Forces trivia questions and answers were submitted by the Division of Military and Naval Affairs historian, Lt. Col. Robert Von Hasseln.

1. Three New York State Militia members who served as Commanding General of the US Army were Alexander Hamilton, Jacob Brown, and Alexander Macomb.

2. Three Presidents were members of the NY National Guard: Millard Fillmore, Chester A. Arthur and Theodore Roosevelt (not counting Grover Cleveland and Franklin D. Roosevelt, both Commanders in Chief as Governor, but not unit members).

3. The only Admiral of the New York State Navy was Governor George Clinton, the first State Governor. He also served as Commander in Chief of the Militia; the New York Navy disbanded at the end of the American Revolution.

4. During WWII, the 104th Field Artillery Battalion received the Navy's Unit Commendation for action at Eniwetok Atoll in February 1944. The Battalion landed on and secured an island to provide supporting fires to a Marine amphibious assault on an adjacent island the next day.

5. The 15th New York Heavy Foot Band refers to the regimental band of the 369th US Infantry (formerly the 15th NY Guard) who gave themselves the nickname in jest. The term refers to the British use of infantry as "regiments of foot". The band played heavily syncopated jazz of the "foot stomping" variety, thus the term "Heavy Foot". Many authorities believe this band was responsible for introducing "the hot jazz" to the French during WWI, helping to ignite the jazz age after the war.

6. Battery F, 105th Field Artillery from the NY Army National Guard engaged in direct combat with a Japanese submarine from Redondo Beach, CA, December 23, 1941.

7. The NY Regiment (variously known as the 1st or 2^d NY Regiment) had the first US colors to fly on the historic "Halls of Montezuma" in Mexico City in 1847.

8. The three images of Santa Claus, a donkey, and an elephant were the drawings from America's first great

political cartoonist, Thomas Nast, a member of the Seventh Regiment.

9. Colonel Louis Di Cesnogli of the 4th NY Cavalry won the Medal of Honor in 1864 while under arrest.

10. The only West Pointer buried at the Military Academy who died fighting under a foreign flag is New York National Guard officer Colonel David Marcus, former Chief Judge Advocate General and Ranger School Commandant of the 27th Infantry Division. He was killed under the alias "Aluf (General) Michael Stone" during the 1947 Israeli War of Independence.

11. The term "National Guard" came from the 107th Corps Support Group, the old 7th New York. In 1825, in honor of a visit of the Revolutionary War Hero the Marquis de Lafayette, the unit renamed itself the "National Guards" (Lafayette commanded the Garde Nationale during the French Revolution). The "s" was dropped from the name shortly thereafter. In 1862 the NY State Legislature adopted the term for the entire State Militia and in 1916, Congress directed its use for all state militias.

12. What was the ONLY major war of the US that the NY State Militia or National Guard DID NOT fight in? NONE (sorry, trick question). Elements of the NY National Guard fought in all major wars from the Revolution to the Gulf War. For those who thought the Guard had no role in the Vietnam War, the 107th Fighter Wing from Niagara Falls flew combat missions from the Tuy Hoa Air Base in Vietnam from 1968-1969.

13. Two battleships have been assigned as training vessels to the NY Naval Militia: the USS New Hampshire and the USS Illinois.

14. The NY Air National Guard's first pilot had to bring his own airplane to drill. Private Beckwith Havens was America's first airplane salesman in civilian life. In 1911, the unit had yet to secure its first aircraft.

15. James Cagney plays a member of a New York National Guard command in the movies *The Fighting 69th* and *The Roaring Twenties*.

16. The Pantheon in Rome, the Kingsbridge Armory in the Bronx, and the Vehicular Assembly Building at the Kennedy Space Center were each, in turn, the largest freestanding enclosed spaces in the world.

17. The only currently serving US Army officer authorized to wear a beard is Chaplain (Colonel) Jacob Goldstein of the New York Army National Guard, the only orthodox Jewish rabbi in the Army.

18. Father Nelson Baker, 74th Infantry Chaplain, beatified by the Roman Catholic Church, is a candidate for canonization and will likely be the New York National Guard's first saint.

19. The "Fighting 69th" name is attributed to remarks from Confederate General Robert E. Lee.

20. The architectural forms of the armory and the supermarket are uniquely American in origin. The two were both built in New York. In fact, the first

modern supermarket, a King Kullen, was established in a Jamaica, Queens building that had previously served as a temporary armory for the 104th Field Artillery while the Jamaica Armory was under construction.

21. Major General William Donovan, of the 1st NY Cavalry and the 69th Infantry Regiment of the 42nd Infantry Division received all three of the nation's top decorations: the Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, and the Distinguished Service Medal (twice).

22. Donovan's portrait also hangs in a place of honor in CIA Headquarters in Langley, Virginia. He was director of the Office of Strategic Services in WWII, the predecessor of the CIA.

23. Two of the colony's four signers of the Declaration of Independence were militia officers: Major General Lewis Morris of Westchester County and Colonel William Floyd of the Suffolk County militia.

24. Since World War II, three National Guard Infantry units have been the only ones with regimental designations numbered below 101: the 69th and 71st Infantry of NY and the 65th Infantry of Puerto Rico. The general Army policy in WWI was that Regular Army regiments are numbered from 1-100 while National Guard units are from 101-299, with few exceptions to this, notably in airborne or the former segregated units.

25. The two famous composers wrote marches for New York National Guard units were: John Philip Sousa (*The Gallant Seventh*) and Victor Herbert (*The 22nd Regiment March*).

Look for another twenty-five questions regarding the New York National Guard's rich military trivia and history along with our announcement of the state's best respondents in our next issue of the *Guard Times*.

Thanks to all who submitted their answers!



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SSGT	PAULBYKOWICZ	107 ARW
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CPT	DAVID WARNICK	107 ARW
SMSGT	KENNETHDECKER	105 AW
TSGT	VIRGINABALLESTER	107 ARW
AIR FORCE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL		
LTC	ESTHER RADA	105 AW
MAJ	ERIC WORLEY	107 ARW
MAJ	DOUGLASHARTLEY	107 ARW
SMSGT	CHARLESTHOMAS	107 ARW
MSGT	RICHARDFRITZ	107 ARW
TSGT	ROBERTBABB	105 AW
MSGT	STEPHENCRONESE	105 AW
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TSGT	JOHNCASSERLY	105 AW
TSGT	THOMASCONSTENTINO	105 AW
TSGT	VINCENTBRENNAN	105 AW
TSGT	EDWINCUYLER	105 AW
TSGT	SANDRA PLOVIC	105 AW

Troop Command Recognizes Full Time Staff

Guard Times Staff

VALHALLA – The 53d Troop Command announced the establishment of a quarterly achievement award to recognize the work and accomplishments of the National Guard's full-time support staff.

The quarterly award is open to all full-time personnel, Active Guard/Reserve (AGR) or Technician, officer or enlisted. Commands in the 53d can nominate one individual each quarter for consideration.

Quarterly winners receive a Troop Command Coin, a gift certificate to a local fast food restaurant or video rental store, and a personal congratulatory letter from the commanding general. Names will be permanently recorded on an Awards Plaque located at the Valhalla Troop Command headquarters.



The troop command awardee for the first quarter of 2000 is Sergeant Ann Pessa, Headquarters and Headquarters Company 107th Corps Support Group. Her armory is the Seventh Regiment Armory at 643 Park Ave. in New York City.

Nominations for the awards may be submitted to the Troop Command's Deputy Chief of Staff, office symbol MNAR-53-DCS. For further information contact Lt. Col. Robert Edelman from the 53d Troop Command at (914) 784-8200.

Editor's Note: The last issue of the Guard Times misidentified the telephone number for the 53d Troop Command's Soldier Help Line. The correct telephone number for Staff Sgt. Raul Lopez is (914) 784-8205.

Dr. Mary E. Walker—

Mary, Mary Quite Contrary

The only woman to receive the Medal of Honor

By Lt. Commander Kenda C. James
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SYRACUSE — This March marked the recognition of National Women's History Month. At that time, many put up posters of Susan B. Anthony, Amelia Earhardt, Eleanor Roosevelt and other well-known women. As a military person, when you think of women in the military, you also probably think of Vice Admiral Grace Hopper (after all, she was a Naval officer, as well as the "mother" of COBOL, the 1st computer language).

Although we typically only remember the "big names," it is important to know that women were involved throughout our nation's history, from the American Revolution and the Civil War to the Waves and WACs of the World Wars to modern-day. Many women worked against immense odds to make a contribution – even when they were not asked and were not even wanted. Such was the case with Mary Edwards Walker, MD.

Mary Walker was the only woman in her class at the Syracuse Medical College in 1855, in the days when typical medical training was less than a year of study. She had financial difficulties in completing her studies, since she had to pay for her own education. She practiced medicine in Ohio and later in upstate New York.

In 1861 with the outbreak of the Civil War, Dr. Walker traveled to Washington to request a commission as an assistant Army surgeon. After all, the Union Army was desperately in need of medical personnel. However, Surgeon General Clement A. Finley refused her request. Undeterred, Dr. Walker found the nearest Army hospital and volunteered to work without pay or rank. While the military bureaucracy was not receptive, the overworked medical community welcomed her with open arms.

Over the next two years, she worked at numerous Army hospitals, visited the front after battles to work with the wounded, escorted wounded soldiers home from the front, and founded the Women's Relief Association to help wives and mothers of Army soldiers.

In 1863, she was appointed to be a contract surgeon, joining the 52nd Ohio Regiment in Chattanooga. While aiding war-stricken civilians behind Confederate lines, she was captured and kept as a prisoner of war, until she was later traded for a Confederate surgeon. She continued to work in Kentucky until her discharge in 1865.



Mary E. Walker, MD received the Medal of Honor for her service as a field surgeon during the Civil War.

Later that year, President Andrew Johnson awarded her the Medal of Honor for Meritorious Service. It was her most prized possession; she wore it most of the time. When she died in 1919, it was in her possession.

Dr. Walker was more than a doctor, she was an activist – for women's rights and for dress reform. In the early 1850s, she wore "bloomers" (a long waisted tunic worn over loose pantaloons) when women were expected to wear long dresses. In hospitals and on the battleground, long dresses were cumbersome and dangerous. Dr. Walker even adapted an Army uniform to wear. After the war, she continued to wear bloomers, but began to be ostracized by the press. As her critics got more vocal, she began to wear more and more severe clothing, including a tailored cutaway suit, like a man's.

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Guard Responds Quickly During Fatal Car Crash

Guard Times Staff

ROCHESTER – Several Army National Guard soldiers from the 42d Infantry Division's 1st Battalion, 142nd Aviation Regiment provided emergency response, but without a state activation. The soldiers from the Army Aviation State Flight Facility number two (AASF #2) and Organizational Maintenance Shop (OMS) number 11 took the initiative when a fatal motor vehicle accident occurred just outside their facility at the Weidner Road Complex at Rochester Airport April third.

"This was not an easy scene to get involved in"

The accident took place during Monday morning rush hour when a head-on car collision resulted in an automobile fire, multiple victims, and a fatality. A semi-tractor truck struck a commercial van, killing its driver and setting the van on fire. A third vehicle, a passenger car, was also struck in the accident.

Rushing to the scene were Headquarters Company First Sergeant David Bimber, Retention Non-Commissioned Officer Robert King, and Staff Sgt. Hal Fellows, an Emergency Medical Technician and aviation repairmen at the flight facility. The soldiers provided first aid and comfort to the injured prior to the arrival of civilian emergency personnel. Other personnel from the battalion's Delta Company, on Annual Training along with soldiers from OMS 11 helped spread absorbant materials to reduce the vehicle fire and limit environmental hazards.

"This was not an easy scene to get involved in," said Lt. Col. Joseph Songin, Information Technology Coordinator at the facility. "This was a very bad wreck on a busy road, with a fatally injured victim laying next to one of the burning vehicles. It was an instantly messy scene."

The soldiers' quick response extinguished the fires before emergency personnel arrived. "These soldiers showed great professionalism in providing assistance, looking for victims and reducing the hazards for emergency personnel," said Songin. "There was fuel, oil, debris and fires everywhere."

Future Leaders Prepare for Challenges of Command



Members of the Company Commander's Course pause for a group photo. The course provided a foundation for future leaders on personnel, training, logistics, family support, employer support, and recruiting and retention issues. The drill in Glens Falls included members from all commands in the state. Photo by Capt. Richard Goldenberg.

'The Command Team' Effort

by Patricia Bradt

State Family Program Office

GLENS FALLS- "Welcome everyone to our second Spouse Training Workshop and the third Company Commanders Course", stated Warrant Officer Vicky Tillman, State Family Program Coordinator at the Queensbury Hotel in Glens Falls, New York. The Queensbury Hotel hosted the Company Commanders' Course again from 14-16 April 2000. The Family Program Office was requested to conduct the Spouse Training Workshop again this year and has be-

choose to be involved with the unit or not, which is their choice. They will, however, be better able to assist others in the unit whom may look to them for guidance.

There were 12 spouses present at the Spouse Training Workshop; one of which was Master Sgt. Charlie Parsels from the 27th Brigade. His spouse, Captain Wendy Parcels, is Company Commander for Charlie Company, 342nd Forward Support Battalion and a presenter at the Company

Commanders' Course. The support for each other was heartwarming but not unlike any other spouse present. They all should be commended for their dedication and of the support they display for their spouses.

One of the highlights this year as last, were the open forums hosted by Brigadier William Martin, Deputy Adjutant General and Commanding General, Major General Michael Van Patten and his spouse Judy. The open forums can be poignant, candid and always interesting. Brigadier General William Martin shared experiences while on Active Duty with the US Army that

included leaving his bride Joanne and their small boys for Desert Storm. He expressed first hand about the heartache of long separations and the uncertainty of war - wondering if he would return to see his family ever again. As he stated, "without you all, we would be nothing".

Major General and Mrs. Van Patten shared humorous situations of their 30 plus years as a Command Team in their marriage and in the Guard. Judy reminisced of the fun she and their children shared with other families and soldiers during their unit's Family Days. The camaraderie and friendships they have made are priceless, lasting and enduring throughout the many years.

At the end of the forum, Major General Van Patten along with Mrs. Van Patten presented certificates for both the Company Commander and his or her spouse.

The New York National Guard is a team effort and the caliber of its future leaders and their spouses is exemplary. Their involvement and commitment as a team only exemplifies "The Guard is Family."



Spouses of the Army National Guard's future leadership participate in the "Command Team" discussions at the Glens Falls Company Commander's Course. From left: Teri Insetta, Wendy Schultze, Donna Hoy, and Allison Allen. Mrs. Allen is also an officer with the Army's 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, NY. Photo by Lt. Col. Paul Fanning.

come and integral part of the Commanders Course curriculum.

"The Command Team" which in Army circles is the military member and their spouse. The spouse, in the absence of their military member, is often running the day to day operations of home, work and family. Hardships are endured and much is expected of that spouse. In the National Guard scenario, much more is expected of the Guard members due to their civilian employment and demands of an ever-active Guard mission.

The Guard spouse has a unique role in that often there is not a support mechanism as in an Active Duty installation. This is where education of the spouse is necessary. Education better prepares the family for any separation whether for Annual Training, a State Active Duty activation, or for a mobilization. Readiness and education for the spouses are critical. If the spouse and the family are prepared and knowledgeable of the mission and resources available, there is less anxiety and, consequently, less pressure on the soldier and his role in the National Guard.

With this premise, the Family Program has been involved in the readiness/education issues with the Company Commander's Spouse Training Workshops. As their Guardsmen take command positions, the spouses may



The spouses of the Army National Guard's command team discuss family support programs and leadership issues with NY's Army National Guard Commander Maj. General Michael Van Patten and his wife Judy. Photo by Lt. Col. Paul Fanning.

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