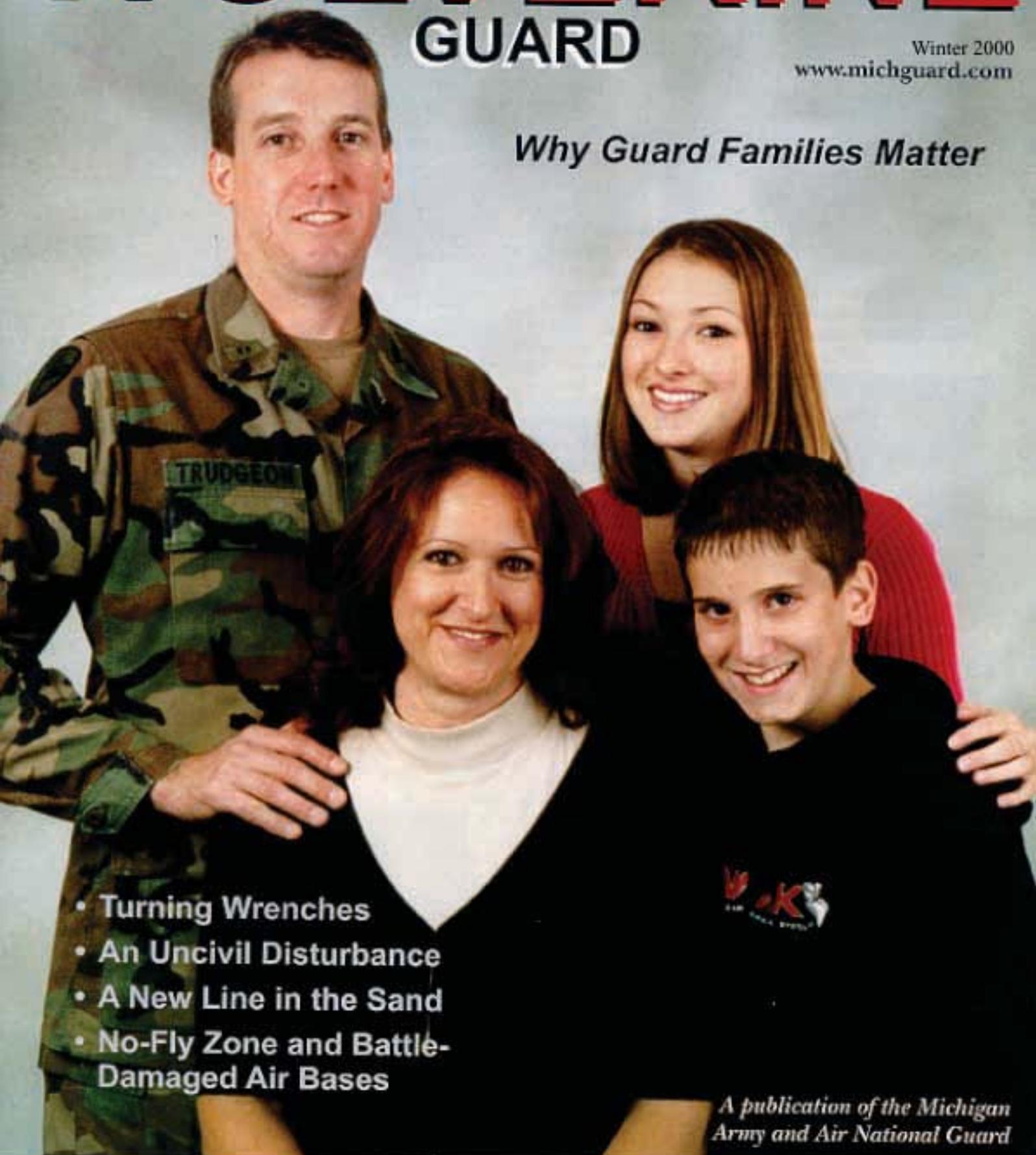


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NCO Ball

The 46th Infantry Brigade will host the Michigan Army National Guard NCO Ball Feb. 3, 2001, at the Holiday Inn South in Lansing. This change in date and location is due, in part, to the addition of a Senior NCO Leadership Conference that will precede the ball. Contact your first sergeant for tickets.

Military Police On-line

Whether you are looking for an old buddy or shopping for military police items, MPs will want to visit www.militarypolice.com.

Holiday Gift Giving Idea

The employees of the United States Property and Fiscal Office claim to have the best potluck lunch in the Michigan National Guard. Now you may share the secrets of their best recipes in "Potluck Favorites of the USPFO for Michigan." The 94-page cookbook is available for \$7. All proceeds go to the USPFO Adopt-a-Family program. Place your order at (517) 483-5701.



Santa's helpers (and USPFO employees) Terri Michaelson, Linda Cole and Karen Perkins prepare a holiday meal using the USPFO cookbook.

Another Gift Idea

Hasbro toys offers a wide variety of GI Joe dolls including a "Minuteman" for \$24.99. Visit their web site at Hasbrocollectors.com.

First Alert Fire Extinguishers Recall

As temperatures drop and furnaces and fireplaces heat up, so does the possibility of a house fire. Protect your family by installing and regularly inspecting smoke detectors. It's also a good idea to keep a fire extinguisher on hand; however, recently approximately 600,000 First Alert household fire extinguishers were voluntarily recalled. The extinguishers may fail to discharge when the trigger is activated. Only First Alert model FE1A10G with serial numbers beginning with RH, RK, RL, RP, RT, RU or RW are included in this recall. The extinguishers were sold from September 1999 through September 2000 for \$9-15. To receive a new fire extinguisher, consumers should contact First Alert at (866) 669-2736 or visit their web site at www.firstalert.com.

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Need to find the nearest veterans hospital? Want to track your social security benefits? Log on to firstgov.com to locate more than 20,000 government web sites.



Wolverine Guard magazines pile up at the post office.

No Wolverine Guard?

More than 1,000 copies of *The Wolverine Guard* – Fall Issue were returned due to incorrect addresses. To receive *The Wolverine Guard* after a move, soldiers and airmen must make address changes through their unit. Retirees should contact MaryJane Holmes at (517) 483-5503.

Civil War Show

The Seventh Annual Civil War Show, sponsored by the 3rd Michigan Infantry, Company F, will be held Feb. 24 and 25, 2001, at the Grand Valley Armory in Wyoming, Mich. Activities include Civil War period items on display and-for sale, military drill demonstrations, uniformed re-enactors and the opportunity to trace your Civil War ancestry. Show your military ID and get in free! For more information call Kerry Snider at (616) 891-9292.

Job Applications Accepted via E-mail

If you apply for a federal technician job within the Michigan Army or Air National Guard, you may now e-mail your application or resume to the human resources office at hrojobs@mi.ngb.army.mil. You will receive a postcard in the mail confirming receipt of your application. For more information contact Carol McConnell at (517) 483-5593.

A Guard Weekend on Mackinac Island

Make plans now to spend the weekend of May 11-13, 2001 on Mackinac Island with your family and the National Guard during the National Guard Association of Michigan Annual Conference. Stay tuned for more information.



The Grand Hotel is just one of the many historic sites you can visit during the 2001 NGAM conference.



What a Year!!!!

When future generations of historians and minutemen look back at the incredible record of accomplishments we demonstrated in this millennial year, they will rediscover our patriotism, our courage and our commitment to the quality of life in our great state and nation.

Throughout 2000, the collective performance and recognized excellence of our soldiers and airmen has surpassed all expectations and proven once again that Guard members are patriots, second to none.

As a testament to the extraordinary performance of our Guard members, we can point to the members of the 172nd Fighter Squadron, in Battle Creek, who were awarded the Spaatz trophy, which is recognized nationally as representing the best flying unit in the Air National Guard (see related story on page 10).

Members of the 127th Wing, in Mount Clemens, distinguished themselves during their recent deployment in

Our congressional leaders bestowed their highest honor on America's sons and daughters who served in the military by naming the American GI, "the person of the century."

Kuwait, supporting Air Expeditionary Force #7. Air Force commanders regaled the ability of our crews to perform twice as many missions as their active duty counterparts.

This past summer, members of the Michigan Army Guard represented America's Army in the NATO peacekeeping exercise, Cooperative Banners 2000, held in Norway. More than 130 Michigan minutemen, from 1st Battalion, 125th Infantry, stood shoulder-to-shoulder with soldiers from 15 countries. Their world class participation received accolades from international commanders, partner nations and fellow soldiers.

In the halls of Congress, the Guard received unqualified support. Through increased pay, health benefits and many quality of life initiatives, legislators prioritized the well being of the Guard. Additionally, to improve readiness, they generously increased funding for full-time personnel, military construction, new equipment and training operations.

At home, Michigan legislators renewed their bond with the Guard by once again funding our tuition grant program. Throughout the year, more and more universities have come forward to express their support of the Guard by offering their own tuition reimbursement incentive programs. This year marks the greatest package of state, university and federal tuition benefits ever offered to members of the Michigan National Guard.

Contributing to the legacy of Michigan's rich military history, Gov. John Engler presented U.S. Senator, and chairman of the World War II Memorial, Bob Dole, with a \$653,000 contribution, representing \$1 for every service member from Michigan who served in World War II.

Subsequently, our commander in chief signed an executive proclamation to recognize Michigan's Korean War veterans during the 50th anniversary of what many have referred to as "The Forgotten War."

Earlier this year, back in Washington, D.C., our congressional leaders bestowed their highest honor on America's sons and daughters who served in the military by naming the American GI, "the person of the century."

For 100 years of service, through two world wars, the Korean War, Viet Nam War, Cold War, numerous conflicts, peacekeeping and humanitarian missions, this distinction recognizes our



This summer I was pleased to become partners in education with Kirtland Community College of Roscommon, Mich. Here, Dr. Charles D. Rorie, president of KCC (seated, right) and I sign paperwork to give Guard members attending KCC a 25 percent tuition discount. Gov. John Engler (standing, left) and Mr. Richard Silverman, dean of instruction and educational services (right) look on. (Photo courtesy KCC)

nation's real heroes who did more to secure freedom for people around the world than at any other time in history.

With the holiday season upon us, I'd like to extend my deepest appreciation and greatest congratulations to the unqualified heroes of the Michigan Army and Air National Guard. These few examples only begin to reflect the immeasurable sacrifices, successes and contributions each of you has made to defend our country and enrich our state and nation.

As we look to 2001, please accept my humblest thanks for a job well done. May the year ahead bring equally gratifying success and the heartwarming assurance of a world made better by your patriotic service. Happy holidays and best wishes to you all.

E. Gordon Stump

The Adjutant General of Michigan

Scottish Troops Get Royal Welcome

By Sgt. Simon Cullen
Scottish Transport Regiment
Royal Logistic Corps (Volunteers)

Sgt. Maj. Jock Allan and I were among 12 senior-ranking soldiers to represent our Corps in the 2000 British Territorial Army/U.S. National Guard Exchange Program. Our hosts were the 1461st Transportation Company from Jackson, who were doing their annual training at Camp Grayling.

Our planning began the previous October with a question: "Who wants to go to America next year for two weeks?" As one of "the chosen," I contacted Sgt. 1st Class Randy Leffel who helped organize our visit. Thanks to e-mail we communicated with ease, despite the five-hour time difference between Scotland and Michigan.

When we arrived in Michigan we first observed the 1461st move their 5-ton trucks and tractor-trailers into the field. In the following days we transported members of the 107th Engineer Battalion to range and field locations, and took part in a MILES exercise. Standing in a trench and getting shot at by American MPs is a great way to recover from jet lag.

I saw two bridges that impressed me, for different reasons. One was the Mackinac Bridge, which was the largest suspension bridge I had ever been on.

Adjutant General Looking for Quality Teams

In 1998, Maj. Gen. E. Gordon Stump, the adjutant general of Michigan, presented the first TAG Quality Cup to 10 members of the 127th Reimbursable Task Force Team for resolving gaps in interoffice data and communication flow and for improving customer service. The following year, three members of the Combined Support Maintenance Shop captured the cup for improved supply procedures, saving \$200,000 in repair parts. This year's cup is up for grabs.

The TAG Quality Cup recognizes team service improvement using quality initiatives. Any team within the Michigan National Guard (including civilian state and federal employees) are eligible

The other bridge took three hours to build. It was a 15-span Medium Girder Bridge assembled by soldiers of the 1432nd Engineer Company. Twenty five years ago, I helped the Royal Engineers build one over a canal in England. It was good to see that some equipment has a long life.

Before we departed, Jock and I made some presentations. However, we were usurped in a most generous manner when Maj. Gen. E. Gordon Stump presented us with a Coin of Excellence. Capt. Paul Scheidler, 1461st company commander, awarded us the Army Achievement medal.

We presented Lt. Col. Janet Phipps, 107th Quartermaster Battalion commander, with a silver quaich, the traditional drinking vessel of Scotland. Capt. Scheidler received a limited edition print "Desert Scorpions" signed by three generals who served in the Gulf War, including our commander General Sir Peter de la Billiere.

Our trip was unforgettable thanks to Sgt. 1st Class John Engel, Staff Sgt. Barry Ruoff and Sgt. Christine Frederick.

In August, Staff Sgt. Chad Chamberlain and Sgt. David Graves came to Scotland for reciprocal training. I think we gave them an equally memorable visit. To everyone who looked after us in Michigan, a big thank you.

to apply for the award.

Team improvement must be substantiated by actual precision performance measurements and documented for six months. Improvement can be measured in dollars saved, time saved, services improved, errors reduced or processes streamlined. A memorandum, outlining the specifics of the award, is available through your supporting quality office.

Teams should submit a description of their improvement, with supporting data, through their supervisor or commander to Lt. Col. B.K. Meyers, quality advisor, 2500 South Washington Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48913-5101. The deadline is January 2001.

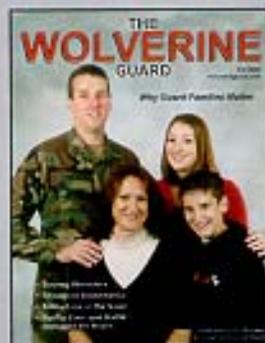
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Darci Trudgeon and her family are featured on the cover. She is the winner of the Michigan National Guard essay contest, "Why Guard families matter." See page 5. (Cover photo by Sgt. Ron Raflik, state photographer)

Why Guard Families Matter

A Family Support Essay

With more missions and less service members than before, the Guard isn't working just one-weekend-a-month and two-weeks-per-year any more. And soldiers and airmen are not the only ones who feel the strain of the increased commitments. Whether it's a two-week, 30-day or nine-month deployment — or another Thursday evening training meeting — families must adjust when Guard members are away.

Do they know how important their support is?

Last Spring, an invitation went out to Michigan Army and Air National Guard members and their families to participate in an essay contest, "Why Guard families matter." Perhaps we can all learn something from the winning essay.

By Darci Trudgeon

I believe that National Guard families are significant to society for many reasons. The love and security that a family provides for individuals who participate in the National Guard is nearly unexplainable. When away on duty, a Guard member can look forward to the caring welcome only a family can

He knew that no matter what the circumstances, his family would always be by his side.

contribute when they arrive back home. I, for one, cherish the honor of being a part of a National Guard family. It is my own father who is capable of saving many other families in need. It requires a great amount of compassion and courage to take part in the National Guard because they must risk their lives for the sake of others. They could be called away to war at any time. Yet, they feel

proud to have signed an agreement that says they are brave enough to handle some of the world's worst situations.

At the age of eight, I began to realize the devotion that my intermediate family had to my father when he was sent to the Middle East for the Gulf War in one of the most remembered events to take place in recent history. At first I thought it was to inflict physical pain on my father and I thought of the National Guard as unfair and disrespectful. I soon learned that my father was doing this deed to aid in the safety of our nation. He was not only protecting his family, but also protecting everyone else in the United States. Even though the stress factor was high, my father could stay strong and keep a good sense of humor because he knew that, no matter what the circumstances, his family would always be by his side.

The day my father returned, tears of joy filled the eyes of our family, as well as many other families who were eagerly awaiting the arrival of their loved ones. To know that my father returned to



Darci Trudgeon accepts a Family Readiness Plaque from Maj. Gen. E. Gordon Stump for her winning essay.

America safe and unharmed was one of the greatest feelings of my life. Some individuals would not think that an 8-year-old would understand the impact of war, although I believe I have grown from this occurrence and will always hold a great respect for those who have the courage to sign a contract agreeing to be sent abroad at any time. Anyone with a family member in the National Guard can probably relate to my feelings. Always commend the honor of these great individuals and love them for their many accomplishments, because the truth is, one will never be able to tell when they will be gone.

Miss Trudgeon, a freshman at Kirtland Community College, won a \$100 savings bond for her winning essay. She is the daughter of Warrant Officer and Mrs. Philip Trudgeon and the sister of Kyle. Her father, a Gulf War veteran and full-time employee at the Grayling MATES, has been in the Michigan Guard since before she was born.



127th Wing Wins Outstanding Family Readiness and Support Award

The 127th Wing Family Support Group received the first "Outstanding Family Readiness and Support Award" at the Michigan National Guard State Family conference held in Lansing last August. This annual award acknowledges the outstanding contributions of individuals, family members, groups and units which have provided exceptional

support to family readiness.

The award, a statue depicting a 1770s militia-era family, will be permanently displayed at the Michigan National Guard Headquarters building in Lansing with a 25-year perpetual plaque that will list the winners. The 127th was given a replica of the statue in the form of a wall plaque for display.

An Uncivil Disturbance

46th Brigade practices peacekeeping

By Master Sgt. Tom Springer
State Public Affairs Office



CAMP GRAYLING – For two hours, the unruly crowd had hurled water balloons and insults at a column of riot-gear clad National Guard soldiers.

"Hey soldier boy, you see that rifle you're carrying?" threatened one rioter. "That's gonna be mine tonight."

"What's that growth on your face?" taunted another. "If you were a man you wouldn't need that shield and helmet."

"You're gettin' hot under the collar, let me cool you off," shouted yet another. With that, he sprayed the soldier with a blast from a high-powered squirt gun.

Perhaps the dousing helped. Because from 6 p.m. to midnight, not a single Guardsman in the formation lost his cool. And this despite a 7-hour civil disturbance exercise that was the largest event of its kind ever conducted by the Michigan Army National Guard.

"This is much more realistic than the CD training I had before we went to Bosnia," said Spc. Eric Burgess, Company B, 1/125th Infantry Battalion. "On active duty, the protesters didn't throw stuff at us and they weren't so crazy."

Burgess and his embattled comrades were among the role players in Operation Aegis, held Sept. 9 at Camp Grayling. The training involved about 400 Guard members from the 46th Brigade, along with civilian participants from the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, Grayling Police and Grayling Fire Department.

"The Guard has a unique mission," said Lt. Col. Bill Ewald, 46th Infantry Brigade executive officer. "Each of us has sworn allegiance to follow orders from the president and the governor of our state. The whole reason for CD training is to practice our state mission."

Each year, most Guard units undergo some form of CD training, usually at the company level. This marks the first time that Michigan has ever conducted a brigade-level CD exercise.

The scenario for Operation Aegis read like a script from a Stephen Segal action movie.

A fictional tornado had knocked out Grayling's power supply, which prompted the governor to call out the Guard. Next came a car bombing, which

killed and wounded numerous civilians. Later that evening, a mob gathered outside the courthouse, demanding the release of a prisoner who was about to be acquitted for murdering a local school teacher. Mixed among the crowd were student activists, international terrorists and members of the Red Arm street gang, who were known drug dealers. A few snipers lurked in the buildings nearby.

While the scope of Operation Aegis may have seemed ambitious, Maj. Curtis Royer said it was based on actual events.

"Anyone who's aware of what's going on the U.S. and the world knows this kind of thing is a reality," said Royer, officer in charge of the exercise. "Look at Los Angeles, Oklahoma City, Hurricane Andrew and the WTO meeting in Seattle. This is serious stuff – and the state depends on us to be ready when the time comes."

Most of the action took place within the 200 block of Kitchen Road, where buildings were designated as banks, restaurants, pawn shops and a courthouse. "Our job here is to restore order in the city of Grayling," Ewald said. "We do that by establishing check points and securing key facilities."

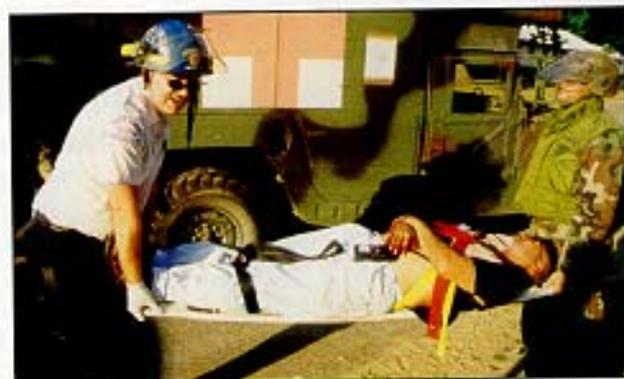
The exercise began when a simulated car bomb went off at Soldiers Drive and Second Street. Within seconds, moaning victims staggered from their disabled vehicles and lay sprawled on the grass. Copious amounts of fake blood and moulage gave the casualties a gory, lifelike appearance.

After a Grayling fire truck and ambulance arrived, civilian EMTs worked with Army medics to treat the injured. Meanwhile, Guard troops in riot

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Bloody passengers await medical care after their vehicle was struck by a car bomb.



A civilian EMT and National Guard medic prepare a casualty for transport. (Photos by Master Sgt. Tom Springer)



"And what are you gonna do about it?" Dissidents (above) do their best to make the training realistic. A soldier (left) awaits further instructions after detaining a suspicious bicyclist.

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gear struggled to keep back a flood of hysteric citizens (played by Guard soldiers clad in civilian clothes).

"You've got to keep these people back from here or we can't do our job!" shouted Grayling Fire Chief Duane Brooks to a Guard NCO. It was difficult to tell if Brooks was truly frustrated, or simply role-playing.

Near dusk, the action shifted to the simulated courthouse. The most frenzied moment came when a civilian SUV carrying "Adair" (the suspected mur-

derer) arrived in front of the barricades. Protesters swarmed and rocked the vehicle, and at point-blank range, pelted a rather startled police officer with water balloons. Guardsmen quickly muscled in and formed a protective wedge around the vehicle so that Adair could be moved to safety.

The exercise concluded well past midnight, as Guard soldiers moved on-line to clear protesters from the 200-block area. By that point, even the rowdiest rioters were too tired to offer

much resistance. The two sides seemed to have a new understanding that peacekeeping – and rabble-rousing – are both hard work.

"In civil disturbance operations, discipline and control are crucial. You can't come in and whack everybody on the head and say, 'Who started this?'" Royer said. "We're here to support civilian authorities. This exercise gives us a better appreciation of how difficult this mission is."

Ya, Deutschland! 125th Infantry pulls OPFOR tour in Germany

Sometimes even the good guys dress in black. Or at least that was true for 80 members of Company C, 1st Battalion, 125th Infantry, from Cheboygan and Alpena. On August 19, the unit deployed to Hohenfels, Germany, to serve as OPFOR (opposing force) troops at the Army's Combat Maneuver Training Center.

At home, Company C is a mechanized unit that travels the battlefield in M-113 armored personnel carriers. At Hohenfels, they moved on foot in an urban warfare environment. The unit returned from training on September 9.



This is how real soldiers crash a party. Michigan Infantrymen (left) practice their room clearing techniques. Four men in black — members of the fictional Vilslovakian National Army — prepare for another mission (top, right). A 125th Infantry squad (bottom, right) moves quickly to secure a building.



Turning Wrenches

A photo story by Sgt. Ron Raflik, State Photographer



After the repairs are completed, Sgt. David White tests assembled engines for quality control.



Pfc. William Mills cuts a baseplate for a pipecutter.



The computer is a standard "tool" in the maintenance community. Here, Brig. Gen. Tony Oien asks Spc. Lacey Haas about the work orders she is processing through the Standard Army Maintenance System-Level 1—also known as SAMS-1.

1071st



Spc. Robert Szabo works on the cylinder head of a Detroit Diesel 8V92 engine.



Inventories are conducted daily in the automotive shop. Here, Spc. Philip Hodges compares the number of tools on hand versus the number on paper.



After repair, equipment is shipped back into circulation. Here, Spc. Rick Wheeler explains the packing and shipping procedures to Gen. Oien.



Spc. Mac Winiarski checks the fit of a cam bearing installer on the engine block of a Bradley fighting vehicle.

1071st and 1073rd Maintenance Companies Train at the National Maintenance Training Center

The 1071st is a general support maintenance company — the second highest level of maintenance in the Army. They repair items brought to them off the front lines. The 1073rd is a direct support maintenance company. During combat, maintenance support teams are dispatched to repair items on the battlefield. Both units are trained to perform maintenance on items ranging from small arms to tanks, fabric repair, wheeled vehicles and radios.



Spc. Chad Thompson conducts drive-train maintenance on a 5-ton cargo truck.



Part of the training included preparing the paperwork according to Army standards. Here, Sgt. 1st Class William Morrison prepares a work-order status report.

1073rd



Even repair kits need to be repaired. Spc. James Huey (left) and Sgt. Wesley Almeida repair the small parts of the MK-1978 electronic equipment maintenance kit, which is used to test or fix electronic equipment.



Spc. Natasha Sturgeon explains the procedures used to repair the suspension on a humvee to Gen. Tony Oien.



Spc. Keith Frost finalizes repairs on a RT-524 field radio.



Staff Sgts. Mark Lillrose (left) and Ronnie Price review more paperwork.

The Summer of The No-Fly Zone and Ba

110th Fighter Wing comes home

By Capt. Dawn Dancer
State Public Affairs Office

During Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, more than 1,500 Michigan Army and Air National Guard members were activated. Ten years later, there is still a large military presence in the Persian Gulf.

This summer, more than 300 Michigan pilots, engineers, mechanics and other support personnel from the 110th Fighter Wing, Battle Creek Air National Guard Base, served in Al Jaber, Kuwait; Ali Al Salem, Kuwait; Prince Sultan, Saudi Arabia; Istres, France; Aviano, Italy; and Incirlik, Turkey, rotating through a deployment that started in May and concluded in September.

"To mobilize such a diverse group to so many places has been a daunting task, and at times, a little frustrating," said Lt. Col. James Barker, 110th Support Group commander, in the September 2000 issue of *The JetStream*.

The Air Force calls it an Aerospace Expeditionary Force deployment — members of the same unit deploy in intervals lasting anywhere from two-weeks to 30-or-more days, to various locations, conducting missions ranging from combat sorties that guard the Iraqi No-Fly Zone to maintenance and repair of battle-damaged allied air bases.

"The concept of the AEF means that individuals should not

have to deploy any more often than every 30 months, and units only every 15 months," said Barker. "The AEF is definitely our mission for the future and the Air National Guard is a critical player."

After a long hot summer, with temperatures soaring in the 100s, the 110th tally is impressive. In Al Jaber alone, the 110th flew 69 sorties, accumulated 108 flying hours and processed 21 maintenance transactions.

"My measuring stick for overall success recognizes two simple elements: did we accomplish our assigned duties and did everyone return home safely?" said Col. Kencil Heaton, 110th Fighter Wing commander in the October/November issue of *The JetStream*. "Without a single moment of hesitation on either task, we succeeded overwhelmingly, again!"



Battle Creek Sweeps National Awards

By Maj. James G. McCrone
State Public Affairs Officer

In a year filled with overseas deployments, community events and intense training, the men and women of the 110th Fighter Wing have received three national awards, including being named the overall outstanding flying unit in the Air National Guard.

The 172nd Fighter Squadron received the distinction of "outstanding flying unit" in the form of the Spaatz Trophy (named in the honor of Gen. Carl S. Spaatz, former chief of staff of the Air Force) from the National Guard Association of the United States during the association's September conference in Atlantic City, N.J.

The squadron further received the Winston P. Wilson Trophy for the most outstanding Air National Guard unit

equipped with jet fighter or reconnaissance aircraft, while the entire wing was also awarded with the Major General John J. Pesch Flight Safety trophy as one of the two units with the best safety records.

The 110th distinguished itself throughout the past year by mobilizing six aircraft and 152 personnel within one week of notification to support Operation Allied Force in Kosovo. During this landmark deployment the 172nd logged 191 combat sorties, amassing over 1,000 hours of combat time. This outstanding performance followed the unit's passage of the Air Force's most intense operational readiness inspection with the highest rating in the unit's history.

While the unit was performing its federal mission, they continued to support their community by participating in the "Relay for Life" and "Santa On

Guard" programs. Without a moment to spare, the 172nd had to prepare for a scheduled mission this past summer to patrol the skies over Iraq, as part of Operation Southern Watch. And that deployment coincided with the unit's support of the Battle Creek International Air Show.

"The citizens of Battle Creek, Michigan, and our nation are fortunate to have men and women serving in the armed forces with the exceptional dedication and commitment to excellence demonstrated by the members of the 110th Fighter Wing," said Maj. Gen. E. Gordon Stump, the adjutant general of Michigan. "The awards presented to the members of the unit reflect unmistakable proof that they represent America's best."

Little-damaged Air Bases



A-10s from the Battle Creek Air National Guard Base return from duty in the desert. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Dale Atkins, 110th Communications Flight)

A Warthog Battle at Home

It's an affectionate name, really. Warthog — a nickname given to the A-10 Thunderbolt II attack aircraft. So, it seems only fitting that if more than 50 of these hawks got together to measure and compare skill, it would be called a Hawgsmoke competition.

The competition, recently held in Alpena at the Combat Readiness Training Center, was open to active duty Air Force, Guard and Reserve pilots. And they all showed up!

"There has never been a competition in which every United States Air Force A-10 squadron in the world has

been represented," said Maj. Cliff Latta, chief of weapons and tactics for the 110th Fighter Wing at Battle Creek.

Some hawks and their pilots traveled from as far away as Germany, Korea and Alaska.

The teams were made-up of four pilots that each made several passes over targets located in Grayling and Alpena. Scores were based on not just where the bombs landed, but also, how well each pilot shot.

Hawg bragging rights go to the 118th Fighter Squadron, Connecticut Air National Guard; the 422nd Test and Evaluation Squadron, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.; and the 47th Fighter Squadron, Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

These two Hawgsmoke 2000 photos are placed together to show before and after. In the top photo, an A-10 releases a practice bomb. The bottom photo shows the impact. (Photos by Master Sgt. Anna Ulin, 110th Communications Flight)

The Doctor Wears Combat Boots

STARC Medical Detachment on call

If you knew your doctor relied on a pamphlet titled, "Plain, Concise, Practical Remarks on the Treatment of Wounds and Fractures" to treat your medical needs on the battlefield, you would probably be skeptical. Yet, in 1775, that was all that was available to military medics. Fortunately, the Michigan National Guard Medical Detachment has more available to them today.

*By Lt. Col. Jadwiga Zablocki
State Area Command Medical Detachment*

The Michigan National Guard's medical detachment started as an ambulance company in the early 1900s. The unit was reorganized as a medical battalion during World War II and reorganized again in the 1980s to the 207th Evacuation Hospital.

In 1990, the 207th was mobilized for the Gulf War and served in Saudi Arabia. They treated U.S. and allied troops, supported sick call duties and cared for refugees and severely ill and wounded prisoners of war.

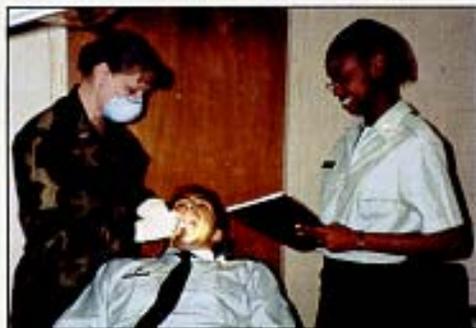
Shortly after the Gulf War, the 207th was reorganized to its current structure as a STARC Medical Detachment.

The comprehensive evaluation of a soldier's fitness to perform duties remains the primary function of the SMD. With the expansion of the dental section, the SMD can provide a complete quality physical examination that is not presently available in the private sector at significant savings to the Michigan Army National Guard.

In addition to physical examinations, the SMD also provides HIV and DNA blood draws, as well as, immunization upgrades and recently established satellite facilities at Camp Grayling and Fort Custer.

The SMD also offers medical training in basic life support and certification in combat life support to units of the Michigan National Guard. For more information, call the unit at (313) 891-4155.

Lt. Col. Zablocki is the SMD chief nurse and an airway management nurse at the Children's Hospital of Michigan. She is a Gulf War veteran and has served in the Michigan National Guard for 19 years.



Sgt. Eugene Qualls (top, left) administers an electrocardiogram (EKG) to detect abnormal conditions of the heart. Staff Sgt. Wayne Rosebery (top, right), of the 126th Army Band, is so confident in Sgt. Ron Batts' ability to draw blood that he doesn't even set his trumpet down. The dental section recently expanded its capabilities. Here, 2nd Lt. Holly Scott, assisted by Spc. Katrice Thompson, (bottom, left) work on a patient's smile. The medical detachment also provides HIV and DNA blood draws. Here, Sgt. 1st Class Stephen Parrow (bottom, right) analyzes a blood sample. (Trumpet photo by Capt. Ardelia Levesque, STARC Medical Detachment; other photos by Maj. Vito Ciaravino, STARC Medical Detachment)

A New Line in the Sand

Engineers build a better border

By Master Sgt. Tom Spivey
State Public Affairs Office

SAN DIEGO — Ask Capt. John Klinkam about the impact of Task Force Grizzly and he'll show you two photographs.

In the "before" picture, taken in south San Diego County, dozens of illegal immigrants are crossing the U.S./Mexico border in broad daylight. They come and go with impunity and there's not a fence, sign, or law enforcement officer in sight. The trash-strewn scene resembles the aftermath of an outdoor rock concert.

In the "after" picture, taken a few years later, there's no human activity of any kind. Along the border stands a 12-foot, steel-mesh fence that's paralleled by a new gravel road. The fragile desert vegetation — shrubs, grasses and wildflowers — has returned to the once trampled hillsides.

"The new road and fence have channeled human traffic into the legal ports of entry, which helps increase drug and contraband seizures," said Klinkam, deputy commander of Task Force Grizzly. "There's also an environmental benefit. This used to be a wasteland, but now we're seeing the return of endangered plants and animals. And, the improved roads have saved the U.S. Border Patrol about \$100,000 a year in vehicle repairs."

U.S. taxpayers can credit much of this transformation to Army National Guard units such as the 1436th Engineer Company from Montague, Mich., which worked on the border road from July 24

began in 1997. Guard engineers have built more than 66 miles of fence and 120 miles of roads along the U.S./Mexico border in southern California.

For Guard soldiers, a two-week tour with Task Force Grizzly is much like an overseas deployment. The troops travel to an unfamiliar environment, where they're faced with extreme terrain, hostile weather and strenuous working conditions. They "fall in" on existing equipment, and must stretch their engineering know-how to the limit.

The units are given work assignments that correspond with their wartime mission. As a heavy equipment company, the 1436th Engineers were tasked to build and improve the border road network. "This is a welcome break for us," said 2nd Lt. Scott Kenreich. "For the past two years, we've been building berms at Camp Grayling. The unit hasn't trained out of state since it went to Honduras in 1988."

The 1436th's heavy equipment platoons met for morning formation atop a windy mesa known as Arnie's Point. The location offers a panoramic view of the Task Force Grizzly project. To the west, just beyond the blue horizon, the border fence emerges from the crashing surf of the Pacific Ocean. Looking east, the fence stretches from the coastal plains to the brown flanks of the Jacumba Mountains. A few hundred yards south — in Tijuana, Mexico, — a vertical jumble of shacks and

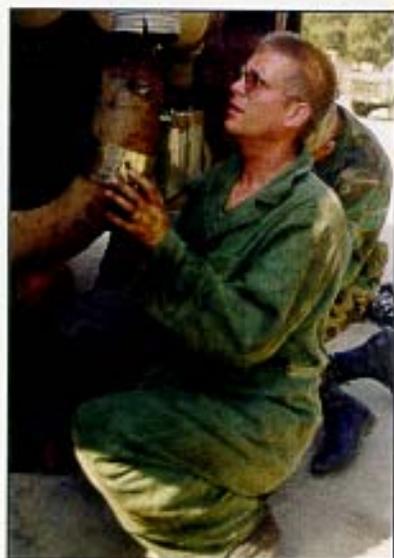
cinderblock houses clings to the crowded hillside.

On the U.S. side, the terrain is mostly undeveloped desert, accessible only by muddy truck trails. "Some of these roads have a 10 percent grade, which is really steep," Kenreich said. "You get that roller coaster feeling in your stomach when you drive over them. We're using D-9 dozers to take out the high spots and fill in the low spots. The guys like it — the equipment's bigger than what we can use at home."

Using road graders, bulldozers and Y-shaped ditches to improve storm water drainage. In the past, lengthy stretches of road were impassable to Border Patrol vehicles during the rainy season. The engineers also smoothed out roadside terrain features that illegal immigrants have used as hiding places.

The border project isn't scheduled for completion until 2005. Yet the Guard's efforts along this section have helped reduce illegal traffic from a torrent to a trickle.

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A Guardsman from the 1436th Engineer Company uses a front end loader (left) to build a border road that will eventually stretch from California to Arizona. Task Force Grizzly allows engineers to train on heavy equipment such as the quarry-sized dump truck and scoop shovel shown here (bottom, right). A 1436th mechanic (top, right) repairs an exhaust pipe on a 5-ton truck at Camp Morena, Calif. Rugged terrain and desert conditions take their toll on Task Force Grizzly vehicles.



Long Term Care: Who Pays?

By Capt. Dawn Dancer
State Public Affairs Office

In 1900, the life expectancy for Americans was 47 years. Today, the average life expectancy is 75 years.

In the 1900s, women rarely worked outside the home. Today, approximately 70 percent of married women, with children, work outside the home, making regular care-giving difficult, if not impossible.

Studies show 60 percent of people over age 65 will require long term care at some point in their lives.

In the 1900s, most families lived and worked in the same geographical area. Today, people change jobs more often and frequently relocate away from the family structure. This geographical separation makes it difficult for family members to provide care for one another.

Most of us know of someone, or have a friend or relative who requires care because of an accident or an illness. Perhaps you know a young person paralyzed by an accident or an elderly person with Alzheimer's disease. The follow-on care they need, known as long term care, is different than the care received in a hospital.

Long term care is for people who need help with the ordinary activities of daily life. Long term care may be provided in a person's home, an adult day care center, an assisted living facility or a nursing home. Studies show 60 percent of people over age 65 will require long term care at some point in their lives.

Accidents, strokes, multiple sclerosis and Parkinson's disease could arise at any time, affecting even those in their 20s and 30s.

Q) Who may need long term care?

A) The need for long term care may begin gradually with the need for daily help with bathing and dressing, or may suddenly occur after a major illness, such as a stroke, a broken hip or a heart attack.

Q) Who provides long term care services?

A) Traditionally, family members provide care for the individual in need. As their illness progresses, the individual may need more care than the family member(s) are willing or able to provide.

Q) What does long term care cost?

A) The financial impact of long term care is significant. One year in a nursing home will cost an average of \$45,000. An adult congregate living facility or assisted living facility will cost between \$20,000 and \$30,000 per year. Home health care runs anywhere from \$12,000 to more than the cost of a stay in a nursing home.

Q) What are the options for funding long term care?

A) Do not assume you are covered.

•**Medicare** is a publicly-supported insurance program designed to cover acute care needs only—not long term care expenses such as housekeeping, dressing, feeding and other daily tasks. Only about 8 percent of nursing home costs are paid for by Medicare.

•**Medicaid** is a form of government assistance designed to care for America's poor. Qualifications for Medicaid vary by state. Generally, the law says you

must first spend down to the poverty level, using up all but about \$2,000 of your assets.

•**Private pay** is out-of-pocket monies used to cover the entire cost which can be extremely expensive.

•**Long term care insurance** —

Insurance is the solution people use for major liability risks including coverage for their home, auto and health. Statistically, the probability of using long term care insurance is greater than using auto or homeowners insurance.

Q) At what age should long term care insurance be purchased?

A) Long term care insurance is usually purchased at age 45 or older. However, long term care costs can arise at any time. Accidents, strokes, multiple sclerosis and Parkinson's disease could arise at any time, affecting even those in their 20s and 30s.

Q) Why would an individual purchase a long term care insurance policy?

A) •To avoid being a burden and prevent stress on spouse and/or family who may not be able to provide the emotional and physical care needed.
•To help preserve independence.
•To help conserve an estate and retirement assets, especially for a spouse or children.

•To help fund quality long term care.
•To help reduce the chances of a move away from friends and physicians.

Insurance Discount for Michigan Guard Members

There are several long term care insurance plans available in Michigan. The National Guard Association of Michigan has worked with the CNA Financial Corporation and agent Bobbi Rice to offer a special rate for NGAM members and their families.

Currently, any NGAM member, their spouse, children, parents or parents-in-law will receive a 10 percent discount, over and above any other available discounts (such as a 20 percent marital discount), when they purchase a long term care policy through CNA. The policy and discount is good for the life of the policy, even after retirement from the Guard or if you leave the Guard before reaching retirement.

To receive the discount, the policy must be purchased before September 1, 2001.

For a free consultation, contact Bobbi Rice at (517) 321-6175. Bobbi is also available to speak to your unit during a drill weekend or during a family support group meeting. She encourages coverage comparison and will provide basic information with "no strings attached." You will also find more information at www.NGAM.org.

Michigan National Guard: State — Nation — Overseas



Cadets from the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy, class number three, recently spent a weekend with the 107th Quartermaster Battalion. The cadets wore a MOPP suit, ate an MRE and here, watch Sgt. Jeffrey Follett demonstrate how to zero an M-16. But the weekend wasn't just about military training. There were also plenty of life experience exchanges and words of encouragement for the cadets. (Photo by 1st Lt. Dennis McCarron, Challenge Academy staff)

Sgt. Richard Ewing of the 144th Military Police Company, Owosso, Mich., was just one of approximately 100 MPs on hand during the 43rd annual Mackinac Bridge Walk. The MPs provided traffic control, security and public information. An estimated 65,000 people crossed the bridge during the unique Michigan Labor Day tradition. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Nancy Long, 144th Military Police Company)



Class Tony Serra, Company C, 146th Forward Support Battalion; 1st Lt. Dan Gray, STARC Medical Detachment; and 1st Lt. Ben Schaefer, HHC, 1st Battalion, 126th Armor pose with their students for a class photograph.

The Michigan National Guard has been partnered with Latvia since 1992, shortly after Latvia gained its independence from the former Soviet Union. Since that time, hundreds of traveling contact teams have visited, and familiarization tours have been conducted in Latvia and Michigan.

This summer, in a partnership developed by Gov. John Engler, and supported by a \$250,000 state grant, the Michigan Department of Corrections, Habitat for Humanity of Michigan, the Michigan National Guard and community volunteers worked together to provide low income families throughout our state with affordable housing. By September, members of the 1461st Transportation Company of Jackson, Mich. and the 1462nd Transportation Company of Howell, Mich. had completed 55 deliveries for the program. Here, Spc. Dermita Edwards (left) and Staff Sgt. Nate Kempf prepare their rig for the trip back to Camp Grayling after delivering home framing to a work site in Cheboygan County. (Photo by Sgt. Ron Raflik, state photographer)



Three Michigan soldiers recently traveled to our partnership, Latvia, to present Combat Lifesaver familiarization to 18 Latvian military medical personnel. Here, Sgt. 1st

Pvt. Brandon Whipple of Battery C, 1st Battalion, 182nd Field Artillery, works out in the new Army physical training uniform. The uniform consists of a five-piece ensemble, which includes a T-shirt, long sleeve shirt, jacket, pants and shorts. The T-shirt is made of Cool Max material and cotton and will not cling to the body. The jacket and pants are water resistant. The PT uniform is starting to appear in basic training units and in military clothing and sales stores. It sells for approximately \$110. When compared to similar civilian outfits, the cost can start at \$180. (Photo by Sgt. Ron Raflik, state photographer)

The Millennium Class Pins on Their Bars

By Master Sgt. Tom Springer
State Public Affairs Office

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. — Seventeen citizen soldiers earned the right to be called sir and ma'am during officer commissioning ceremonies held Aug. 26 at the Federal Center in Battle Creek.

Each of the soldiers are graduates of the Officer Candidate School at Fort Custer's Regional Training Institute. The Millennium Class — which numbers 14 men and three women — includes members of the Michigan and Indiana Army National Guard.

"Every leader in this room has a mission," said Brig. Gen. Robert Taylor, assistant adjutant general for the Michigan Army Guard. "You are called to help manage our military's transformation in the midst of global instability."

"Last year, the Michigan Guard deployed troops to Latvia, Germany, and Norway, as well as to Fort Irwin and Fort Polk. This year, the 126th Press Camp Headquarters is going to Bosnia for six months of peacekeeping duty. Now that's exciting — and you're about to become a part of it."

The 18-month course began with a two-week phase held at Fort Custer. During the program, the soldiers spent one weekend a month at Fort Custer conducting field and course work. Their final exercise took place at Fort Benning, Ga., where temperatures reached as high as 106 degrees.

"We all made a lot of sacrifices," said Candidate Daniel Hunter, class president. "One candidate drove 7-1/2 hours one way each month to get here. Two

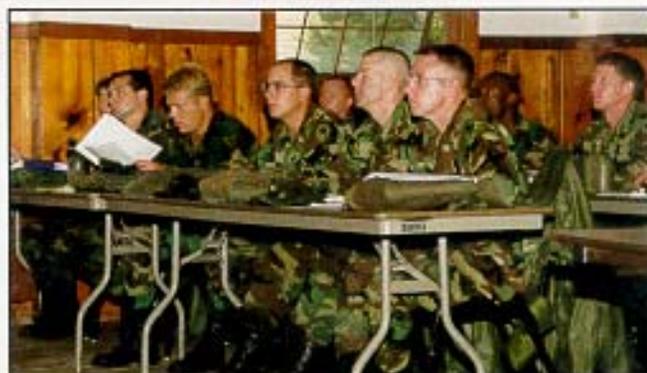
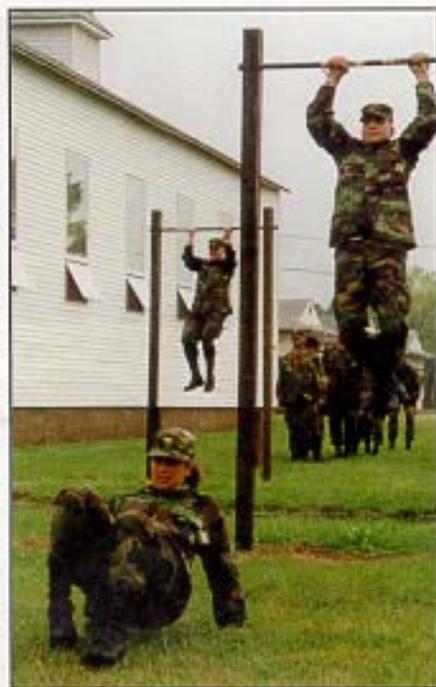
candidates relocated for work reasons; another had to forego a job promotion. Many other candidates are single parents with full-time jobs. It's this same commitment to the Army and nation that will be the driving force in our careers."

The Millennium Class made a special presentation to honor Candidate Robert Pabis, who was killed in a motorcycle accident. Travis had been a member of Company A, 156th Signal Battalion in Kalamazoo. His sister, Bonnie, attended the graduation ceremony.

Hunter won the Erickson Trophy Honor Student Award, which is presented to the graduate who rates first in overall performance. He is now a platoon leader for Company B, 125th Infantry in Saginaw, Michigan.

More than 150 family members and dignitaries gathered in the Federal Center ballroom for the ceremony. As graduates left to receive their first salutes as second lieutenants, Brig. Gen. Taylor offered this parting advice:

"You can be assigned a leadership position, but no one becomes a leader until their appointment is ratified in the hearts and minds of their soldiers. Maybe you can fool yourselves, and sometimes fool your leaders, but you can never fool your subordinates."



Members of OCS Class 44 (top) take a "break" from their studies outside the Fort Custer chapel. New OCS candidates (bottom) stay surprisingly attentive in a muggy Fort Custer classroom. (Photos by Sgt. Ron Raflik, state photographer)

The Leadership Challenge

If you'd like to learn more about the Michigan Army National Guard OCS program, soldiers are encouraged to attend "The Leadership Challenge," an OCS orientation.

Three sessions will be conducted: two at Fort Custer, Feb. 24-25 and March 10-11, and one in the Upper Peninsula, on a March weekend yet to be determined.

For more information, refer to the letter of instruction sent to each unit.

Qualifications

- A member of the Army National Guard or the Army Reserve
- Meet height and weight standards
- 60 semester hours of college to enter OCS and 90 semester hours to be commissioned
- GT score of 110 or higher on the ASVAB
- Minimum age of 18; maximum age of 30 unless a waiver is granted
- Able to pass the Army physical fitness test

For complete enrollment qualifications, check with your unit, or better yet, sign-up for The Leadership Challenge!

An Old Flag Finds a New Home

By Capt. Dawn Dancer
State Public Affairs Office

MIDLAND, Mich. — It was a huge decision. After all, they had carried these colors into combat and held them for years after their return. This was more than a war souvenir; it was a symbol of their collective service and sacrifice.

But on a pleasant Friday afternoon in July, Lt. Col. Frank Delaney (ret.) and Staff Sgt. Grant Palmer (ret.) — veterans of Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 177th Field Artillery — returned their unit's colors to the Midland Armory. (Although there was no such armory when the Michigan Guardsmen were federalized in 1941.)

"They felt like it was time to give the flag a military home," said Staff Sgt. Marsha Jacobs, of the 1460th Transportation Company in Midland. "They're in their 70s and the flag is a sentimental memory for them. They want to see it taken care of."

Delaney and Palmer are among the 70 Michigan Guardsmen who served in World War II with the 177th Field Artillery. Like many active and Guard units of that era, the 177th spent years in training before deploying to a combat zone.

"We were in Fort Leonard Wood for a year-and-a-half, and our job was to train officers and cadre," recalled Clem Anger, former unit member. "We got real good at it."

From the muggy backwoods of Missouri, the unit was shipped off to the Mojave Desert of California. After three



A band of brothers: Seven Midland members of the 177th Field Artillery pose with their World War II battle flag. From left are Grant Palmer, Ted Shauger, Forrest Mills, Fred Fisher, Frank Delaney, John Owens and Clemon Anger.

months of sandstorms, the 177th traveled back east. On April 7, 1944 — Easter Sunday — they boarded the Queen Mary, which was bound for England.

Upon arrival in Glasgow, Scotland, the 177th went to Wales for still more training. They eventually crossed the English Channel to France and landed on

Omaha Beach 42 days after the D-Day Invasion.

In Europe, the 177th Artillery fell under Gen. George Patton's command and first saw action in Avarracies, France. Some of their most memorable fighting took place at the Battle of Bastogne (Belgium) where the Germans had encircled the 101st Airborne.

"General Eisenhower asked if anyone could relieve the 101st and Patton said he could attack in 24 hours," Anger said. "The brass said no way, but Patton said 'I know what I can do with these men.'"

"We loaded up at 4 p.m. We turned the lights on and there was this long line of trucks winding down the road to Bastogne. It looked like deer hunting season on I-75 in Michigan."

The unit went on to earn five European Theater battle stars. In November 1945, the 177th Field Artillery was inactivated, but was reactivated in 1947 as the 46th Quartermaster Company and assigned to Midland. In 1968, it was designated as the 460th Supply Company. In September 1990, the 460th was called up for the Gulf War and served in the Persian Gulf until April 1991. In September 1995, the unit received its current designation as the 1460th Transportation Company.

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"There are no words to describe how much the National Guard has helped us out," said Louie Cross, assistant chief patrol agent for the San Diego Border Patrol district. "We used to arrest up to 500 illegal aliens a day in the 10 mile stretch from Otay Mesa to San Ysidro. Now we catch about five a day."

"We're also seeing new factories and a return of agriculture to the area. Before, the farmer's crops would get trampled. It was a no-man's land. Anything of value — car batteries, whatever — would be stolen."

For surveillance, the Border Patrol has installed high-powered lights, motion detectors and video cameras. Helicopters buzz overhead, and agents patrol the backcountry with horses, dirt bikes and four-wheelers. Despite these efforts, many illegals still get through.

"We've seen several guys jump over the old 5-foot fence," said Kenreich. "But the rules of engagement require us to leave them alone. We're not here for law enforcement — that's the Border Patrol's job."

As Task Force Grizzly progresses, the project will move into the mountainous high desert of east San Diego County. Already, the border fence and road have forced more illegals to cross via this route.

The Guard's base for operations in this sector is Camp Morena, a former National Forest work facility. The camp is now used as a repair station for Task Force Grizzly construction equipment. For two weeks, a platoon of mechanics from the 1436th worked here to help reduce a maintenance backlog.

"We've been pulling transmissions and transfer cases and fixing a lot of hoses and

rubber gaskets — those dry out fast in the desert," said Sgt. 1st Class Joe Jensen. "But what's really hard on equipment is having so many drivers. The guys run the hell out of it for two weeks, then they're gone."

Camp Morena, with its cactus, sagebrush and rocky gulches, is a landscape straight out of a cowboy movie. There's no seaside breeze here, and by 1 p.m. the temperature often climbs above 110 degrees. Even so, the 1436th mechanics had few complaints.

"This is great — it's the wild, wild West. About 8 o'clock each night the coyotes start howling," Jensen said. "It's been good for retention. We had a couple of guys who were going to retire, but they stayed in just to make the trip."

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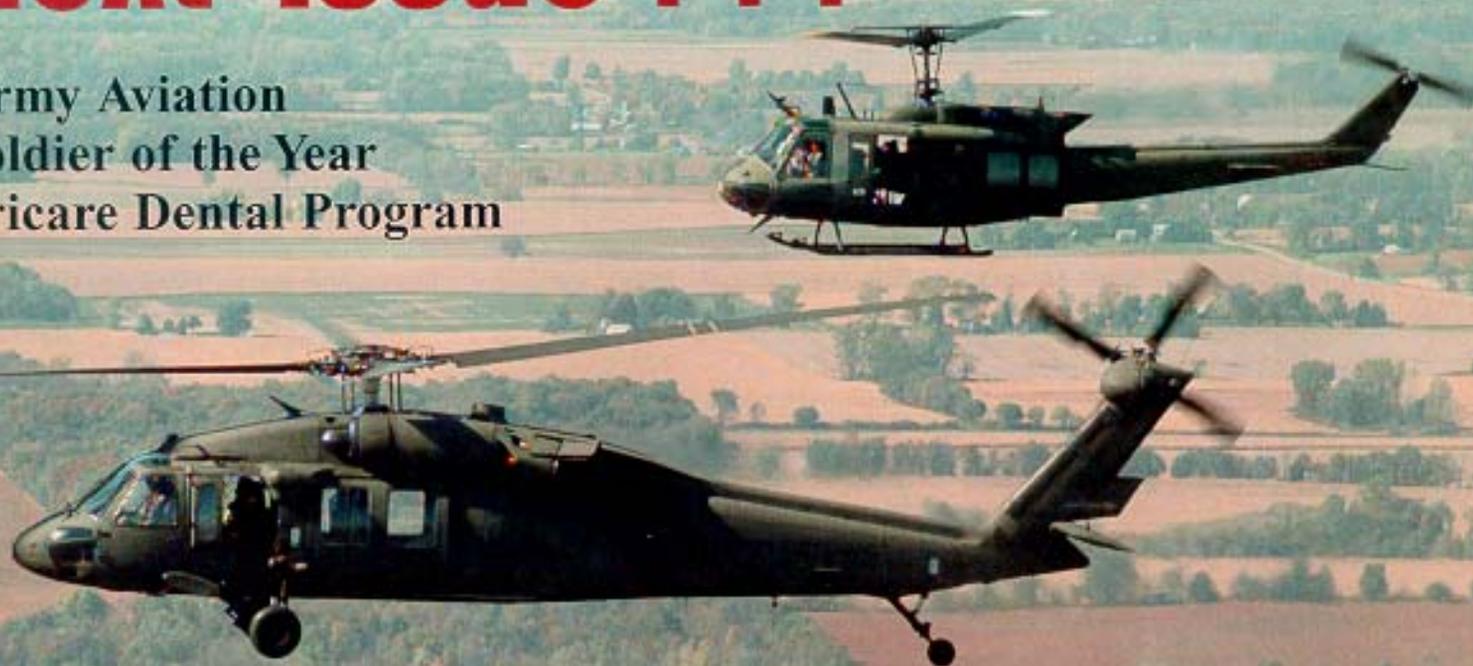


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