Happy Holidays!!
Commander's Column

New challenges may face Guard

You have heard me say often that 1989 has been a challenging year for the Kentucky Air National Guard and I'm sure you will agree. The greatest test however is yet to come, that of the world changes that have developed over the last couple of months in Europe and the effect it will have on all our futures.

As public opinion changes and moderates due to decreasing tension between the East and West -- ever increasing pressure will mount to decrease the defense budget.

This will increase the pressure on each of us to do better and more with less resources. We have seen some of this already with a $180 billion cut over the next five years. There is no doubt that a portion of this will come out of our operating funds and will impact the way we do business.

One of the great questions confronting this nation's leaders now is how to remain the strongest for the defense dollar available. This equates to the force mix question of how much of our defense will stay active and how much will be in the Reserve and National Guard. The answer will impact our future directly in the 90's.

Let each of us enjoy the moment and I want to wish each of you and your families a truly joyous and festive holiday season. Whether we are celebrating Christmas, Hanukkah, or New Years Day, we should be aware of the many blessings God has bestowed upon us. Look beyond the commercialization of the period -- and see the season's true meaning -- peace and goodwill on Earth.

Sherri and I wish each of you a bright and wonderful holiday season filled with health, safety and happiness. God Bless.

BRIG. GEN. JOHN L. SMITH
Wing Commander

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Chaplain's Column

Spirit of community

By Chaplain (Capt.) Thomas Curry

To live by faith is to be involved in the human community. Faith is never an isolated, private ritual which is indifferent to the people and places that fill our lives. As Air Guard people we have an awareness that the quality of community life depends in large measure upon our own willing hands. And so we step forward. We volunteer. We become aware of the needs of our neighbors and move to meet them. We do our part. The spirit of community is built when we experience the encouragement of mutual caring, knowing that others care as we do. Together, we can make our communities places where talents are encouraged, needs are met, burdens are shouldered, and good will extended.

I am extremely grateful for your response to the Dare To Care challenge of raising 1,000 pounds of food. This is the expression of your faith. "What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, 'Go, I wish you well,' but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by actions, is dead (James 2:14-17)."
Chaplain gets arrested?

Chaplain (Capt.) Thomas Curry pleads for assistance to raise 1,000 pounds of canned goods for the Dare to Care Program. Chaplain Curry was "arrested" and handcuffed November UTA and promises to remain in the handcuffs until the goal of 1,000 pounds of food is donated. SSgt. Douglas W. Kohlendorf, 123d Security Police Flight, escorted Chaplain Curry on his rounds.

![Korean Photo by TSgt. Jeff Smithey](image)

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Polls reveal Guard’s image

By Maj. Jeff Butcher
Public Affairs Officer

The Total Force Concept is now routine policy, the "concept" thrust is history. However, four separate public opinion polls, reveals that the American public still perceives the Guard in the pre-1970 mode.

The Bozelle, Inc., an advertising company, conducted the surveys. The firm is under contract with the National Guard Bureau. It's purpose is two-fold. One, to discover better ways to communicate our messages with the public. The second part, was to learn how the American public perceives the Guard.

The post-1970 period has seen the Air Guard grow into the role as the world's fifth largest air force. Meanwhile, the Army Guard has had similar advancements. It is now the world's 11th largest army. Pentagon spokespeople continue to state, "half the combat soldiers on the next battlefield will be guardsmen."

Unfortunately, even with all these advancements, Bozelle concluded, "reality of today's National Guard is not being communicated to change the misconceptions currently held by American public young and old."

In light of these findings, Lt. Gen. Herbert R. Temple Jr., NGB chief, told 289 public affairs officers and noncommissioned officers, public affairs is every Guardsman's responsibility.

The four surveys were conducted from March 1987 to Spring 1989.

The National Guard Attitude and Awareness Study found that the American public is uninformed, has a low awareness and is confused about the purpose of the National Guard.

The Youth Attitude Tracking Study randomly selected 11,271 males and females ages 16-24. Emphasis here was recruiting. The results indicated the image of the National Guard and awareness of the National Guard's advertising is much lower compared to the active branches.

The Command Information Focus Group was the only internal survey made. It encompassed 12 focus groups in 11 locations. These people were concerned over the lack of employer support, family understanding and involvement and morale problems due to lack of recognition in the community.

The Teenage Media/Market Study received a total of 2,000 self-administered mail interviews from boys and girls, ages 12-19. Findings included a very weak image in comparison to the other branches of service.

The Bozelle report summed up the situation. "Therefore, we think we have a great story to tell and we need to do everything we can to get it to the American public."
RODEO
Drivers saddle up for competition

Members of the 123d Resource Management Squadron fuels section participated in a Truck Driving Rodeo to test their skill and ability maneuvering their vehicles during the November UTA.

The rodeo competition stressed accuracy, not speed. Winners were: SSgt. Estia G. Gregory, first place; TSgt. Herbert J. Moore Jr., second place; and SSgt. Richard A. Finck, third place.

Drivers were tested on such obstacles as the serpentine curves, aircraft refueling, and tight pull-throughs and pull-ins. Bonus points were earned on the "egg-drop" course where a 4 X 4 wood plank was placed on cones and the drivers had to come as close to the wood as possible without knocking it off.

The competition was run by MSgt. James C. Hood Jr., NCOIC fuels branch. Judges included members of the resource management squadron and the maintenance squadron to ensure complete fairness. They were SSgt. Glen Hammack, AIC Rollie W. Hodges, MSgt. George Miller, SrA James M. Long, and MSgt. Howard Rutledge.

The event was run to enhance the section's morale, said Sergeant Hood.

SSgt. Glen Hammack, 123d RMS, judges the serpentine curve obstacle.

TSgt. Jack Moorman, 123d RMS, rewinds the hose after simulating an aircraft refueling.

Photos by
MSgt. Terry Lutz

TSgt. Larry Brannin, base audio visual section, interviews MSgt. Howard Rutledge, 123d RMS first sergeant, to capture the rodeo on video tape.
An inspector keeps a close eye on the cones as one begins to fall when the driver attempts to back up too close.

MSgt. James C. Hood Jr., NCOIC fuels branch, left, goes through a safety checklist prior to the simulated refueling with MSgt. George Miller, assistant NCOIC quality control.
Black History

Contributions in field of science and industry

Submitted by TSgt. Bill Rice
Social Actions NCO

Jan Matzeliger (1852-1889) worked in the shoemaking business. He noticed that a bottleneck always occurred when the upper portion of the shoe was sewn to the sole, as this was being done by hand. He perfected and patented a machine that substantially cut shoe manufacturing costs and made his town, Lynn, Mass., the shoe capital of the world.

Daniel Hale Williams (1858-1931) was a great contributor in the medical field. He performed the first successful operation on the human heart in 1893. Without the help of X-rays or blood transfusions, Dr. Williams opened a man's chest and repaired a stab wound in the heart. This operation was successful and medical history was made -- the first successful surgery on the human heart.

Garrett Morgan (1875-1963) invented life-saving devices used today around the world. His first successful invention was a belt fastener which proved to be a necessity to make sewing machines run properly. Next, he invented a smoke inhalator to be used in situations where it was unsafe to breathe the air. This invention was not of interest until Mr. Morgan proved its worth when rescuing several men from a tunnel beneath Lake Erie in 1916. In 1923, Mr. Morgan invented the first automatic traffic signal. He eventually sold the rights for his traffic signal to the General Electric Company for $40,000.

Granville Woods (1856-1910) was an electrical genius who held more than 60 patents when he died. His inventions included the automatic air brake system for trains, a device for transmitting messages between moving trains and between train and station, an automatic cut-off for electrical circuits and the electric egg incubator.

On This Date

December 1
-- The tomb of Egyptian king Tutankhamen, containing art and treasure over 3,000 years old, discovered by Lord Carnarvon and his American assistant, Howard Carter, 1922.
-- Black Seamstress Rosa Parks is arrested in Montgomery Ala., for refusing to give up her seat and move to the back of a municipal bus. Her arrest and subsequent boycott of the bus system lead to legal actions that end racial segregation on municipal buses, 1955.

December 2
-- Medal of Honor authorized, 1861.

December 4
-- U.S. bombers strike the Italian mainland for the first time in World War II, 1942.

December 7
-- Pearl Harbor Day -- Japanese warplanes attack the U.S. Pacific Fleet, 1941.

December 8
-- United States Declares war against Japan, 1941.
-- United States and Soviet Union sign a treaty eliminating medium-range and shorter-range nuclear missiles, 1987.

December 10
-- Human Rights Day
-- President Theodore Roosevelt becomes the first American to win the Nobel Peace Prize, for helping to mediate an end to the Russo-Japanese War, 1906.

December 11
-- Pinckney Benton Stewart Pinchback becomes acting governor of Louisiana and America's first Black governor, 1872.

December 16
-- A major German counterattack late in World War II begins at the Ardennes Forest of Luxembourg. Called the "Battle of the Bulge," the drive was unsuccessful, 1944.

December 17
-- Wright brothers achieve first sustained powered flight, 1903.

December 21
-- Winter solstice, 4:22 p.m. (winter begins, shortest length of daylight.)

December 23
-- Hanukkah begins.

December 25
-- Christmas Day.
Designate a driver

National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week

By Evelyn D. Harris
American Forces Information Service

National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness is Dec. 10-16. During the past seven years, the week has focused attention on the deaths and injuries that result from impaired driving. December was chosen because the holiday season provides more frequent occasions to drink.

This year's theme is "The designated driver, someone you can really look up to," emphasizing the importance of designating a driver who will not drink alcoholic beverages.

Jerald Anderson, executive secretary of DoD's Intoxicated Driving Prevention Task Force, said "It's just a lot easier to designate the driver before you go to a party than to try to decide who is going to drive after everyone has had something to drink."

Mr. Anderson added, "Just because a group has designated a driver does not mean the non-drivers should get drunk. Studies show that by the third or fourth drink, euphoria sets in and people make poor judgements that could harm them even if they aren't driving."

Safety experts warn that because drinking impairs judgement, people misjudge their level of impairment and think they're in great shape when they aren't. This can happen to both the driver and the host. Hosts should insist that intoxicated guests spend the night or ride home with a sober driver. But the host may have had too many drinks -- after all, he doesn't have to drive -- and think a drunk guest is fine.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, more than 23,300 people died on America's highways in crashes where alcohol was involved in 1988.

As a spokesperson for that organization pointed out, "Drunk driving strikes with a frequency and ferocity that would be national news if its victims were reported as a total each day. Instead, the victims are listed individually in the obituary columns in cities and towns where the tragedies occur."

State, local and military police are especially vigilant during the holiday season. Even if a person doesn't have an accident, he or she could still get stopped by a police officer. The penalties for drunk driving in terms of fines, increased costs or loss of insurance, bad record and adverse impact on career are severe for civilians and even more so for military people.

Said Mr. Anderson, "It's not worth taking the chance."
Air Force museum adds IMAX theater

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO (AFNS) -- The Air Force Museum, the world's largest museum dedicated solely to military aviation, is adding a giant, wide-screen theater to its complex.

A $5.7 million contract was awarded at the end of October for construction of an IMAX theater, museum officials announced. Completion is expected in the Spring of 1991.

The 500-seat theater will use IMAX, a motion picture format that uses film 10 times larger than the conventional 35mm frame and three times bigger than normal 70mm movie film. The system uses a rolling loop projector and an 80-foot high screen strategically placed so that the viewer can look down, up and to the sides.

The museum, near Dayton, Ohio, has averaged about a million visitors annually, making it the top non-commercial draw in the state.

Top graduate

Ann. Richard L. Leslie, 165th Tactical Airlift Squadron, was recognized as a Distinguished Graduate from the Loadmaster Qualification Course.

Airman Leslie was commended for his exemplary performance in all phases of training. Distinguished Graduates are those students who achieve an average score of 95 percent or higher on written tests, perform at level one qualification on performance evaluations, and display the highest standards of military bearing and behavior.

Mileage rate increase

DENVER (AFNS) -- The mileage reimbursement rate has increased when individuals must use their privately owned vehicle for official business.

The rate was raised from its previous level of 22.5 cents per mile to 24 cents, an Air Force Accounting and Finance Center spokesperson said. The change, affecting both military and civilians, was effective Sept. 17.

Newspaper staff earns awards

Members of "The Cargo Courier" staff received several awards at the Annual Air Force Newspaper Contest at the National Guard level. The winners in each category will be forwarded to participate at the Air Force level.

In the Published News Articles Category, TSgt. Jeff Sansbury took first place and TSgt. Jenny Montgomery placed second. Sergeant Sansbury placed second in the Published Feature Articles Category. TSgt. Charles Simpson, base photo lab, placed first in the Published Single Photograph Category.

Promotions

To MSgt:
Wayne Ashley, 123d CAM
Michael Mitro, 123d CAM
Floyd Tuttle, 123d CAM
Roger Hamilton, 123d CAM
Letitia Knapp, 123d MAPS
James Moore, 123d MAPS

To Tsgt:
Keith Gibson, 123d MSS
Curtis Carpenter, 123d TAW
James L. Spalding, 123d RMS
Robert Dow, 123d RMS
John Wadsworth, 165th TAS
William Logsdon, 165th TAS
Steven Rogers, 165th TAS

To Ssgt:
Terri Zeller, 123d Tc Hosp
Daniel Murphy, 165th WmFLt
William Corn, 123d TAW
Roy Brown Jr., 123d TAW
Bradley Wright, 123d TAW

To Sg:
Bruce D. Grimes, 123d SPIFlt
Les Bollett, 123d CAM

To SrA:
Thomas Moir, 123d CAM

To AIC:
Rhonda Pitts, 123d RMS
Daniel Schneider, 123d CAM